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TO CORRESPONDENTS

The Semi-Weekly Journal's appeal made a few weeks ago for more news from country correspondents had a noticeable effect as we immediately received a number of most interesting letters. Now we are writing again for fear the ardor of our friends will cool. We urge you to keep the good work up. Help us make the Semi-Weekly Journal helpful and interesting to you.

We regard the letters from our country correspondents as one of the means the Journal has of being of service to the section of country through which it circulates. These letters bring the people closer together and tend to the development of a community interest which is most helpful. You help your own community and by suggestion help other communities by sending us the news as it transpires in your neighborhood. Let us hear from you!

DANIELS.

North Carolinians regardless of whether they admire Josephine Daniels personally will feel a sense of pride at his being made Secretary of the Navy. We never could quite see the reason for the hostility which has been entertained in certain quarters for him but whatever it may have been we feel sure that it is all forgotten in the feeling of appreciation of the compliment that President Wilson paid the State in naming him a member of his official family.

Technically, we presume Mr. Daniels is not especially well qualified for the duties of the Secretary of the Navy but we do not understand that it has been the practice to appoint men to this position on the ground of mere technical training. The work of the Navy Department goes on of course whether the Secretary of the Navy is on his particular job or not.

The Secretary, however, is responsible for the policy of the department as regards whether the influence of his self and his subordinates shall be exerted for extravagant expenditures on the navy or for a more modest program and in this connection there is not any doubt that Mr. Daniels has settled and well thought out opinions.

He will, we think, stand for a less ambitious naval program than has been demanded by his predecessor and he has the backbone to stand by his convictions no matter how much pressure may be brought to bear on him by the bureau chiefs by whom he may be surrounded.

But he is as it may, all glad to see this great honor bestowed on our fellow North Carolinian. He will worthily wear his laurels.

And we might add-in passing that President Wilson appears to have been happy in the choice of all his cabinet appointments. As is customary with him, he looked well before he leaped.

WALKING TYPHOID.

Barring one of Chief Moore's flare-backs with which he afflicted the last inauguration, the weather conditions for today promise to be all that could be desired. But there is always a chance of a slip betwixt the cup and the lips.

The House followed the example of the Senate in passing the Webb-Bill over the veto of the President. That Webb Bill has proved amazingly popular. The strength it has shown in both houses of Congress indicates a powerful public sentiment in the nation against the liquor traffic.

H. E. C. Bryant, the well known Washington correspondent, succeeds L. Ames Brown as Washington correspondent of the Raleigh News and Observer, Mr. Brown having secured a place on the Washington staff of the New York Sun. "Red Buck" and the News and Observer are two "live ones" well matched. Washington news dashed up by him will make the News and Observer better than ever.

The death of Mr. D. R. Davis is inexpressibly sad. Death is deplorable enough when it comes following illness. It is vastly more tragic and distressing when it overtakes its prey suddenly and with violence. The sympathy of the whole community will go out most earnestly to the bereaved family whose grief necessarily rendered all the more keen by the almost total lack of preparation for the overwhelming sorrow which has befallen them.

Briggs men generally think they are too busy to discharge the duties of an Alderman and therefore feel that they ought not to consent to be candidates. Of course, if a man's business is such that it takes all his available time to attend to it properly, he cannot fairly be expected to take on extra work. But as the Journal has remarked before, there are in every community a number of business men who are on easy street and can well afford to give some of their time and energy for the good of the city as a whole. These men are in position to be of great public service and ought not to refuse to do so.

WILSON.

He must be selfish indeed who does not sympathize with Woodrow Wilson in the satisfaction which he naturally feels at being elevated to the chief office in the gift of the people of the United States. The incident is an illustration of solid worth receiving its reward and whenever that happens the normal, healthy mind is obliged to look on with approval.

President Wilson will do what he thinks right. He will make mistakes, of course, and so will his best friends, will find it hard to account for and hard to excuse. But the new President is entirely honest and sincere and such errors as he may make will be honest mistakes.

The great essential in viewing the various public acts which will constitute his Presidential career is to omit to get angry with him because he chances to think differently on this or that question from the one observing him. So, Democrats and admirers of Mr. Wilson generally will do well to judge him charitably and uniformly give him credit for good intentions.

We believe he is going to prove to be one of the best Presidents the country has ever had and that in him from the beginning to the end of his administration the average man will have a real friend and sympathizer. For Wilson is himself a plain man and he knows better than almost any President we have had the aims and the aspirations, the tasks and the difficulties of the rank and file of the people.

Here is the conclusion of the annual address—it contains the key to the soul of Woodrow Wilson:

HOW'S THIS.

We offer One Hundred Dollars Reward for any case of Catarrh that cannot be cured by Hall's Catarrh Cure.

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Perfectly smelling salve that invigorates, but is still more comfortable anywhere the today than in Wash-

MRS. MCGILL BROKE DOWN

Gives the Real Facts in Regard to her Case and Tells How She Suffered.

Jonesboro, Ark.—"I suffered a complete break down in health, some time ago," writes Mrs. A. McGill, from this place. "I was very weak and could not do any work I tried different remedies, but they did me no good.

One day, I got a bottle of Cardui. It did me so much good, I was surprised, and took some more.

Before I took Cardui, I had headache and backache, and sometimes I would cry for hours. Now I am over all that, and can do all kinds of housework. I think it is the greatest medicine on earth."

In the past fifty years, thousands of ladies have written, like Mrs. McGill, to tell of the benefit received from

a guest of Mrs. Raymond Pollock.

Mr. and Mrs. J. V. Blades returned last evening from a visit at Raleigh.

N. T. Weeks of Tuscarora was among the business visitors in the city yesterday.

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TWO CLERKS ADDED TO FORCE Changes Also Made In Hours Of Collection-Patrons Benefited.

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