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THE EDITOR'S LEISURE HOURS.

Points and Paragraphs of Things Present, Past and Future.

There has been considerable litigation in the State as a result of the last Legislature. One effect of fusion was to make more work for lawyers.

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If there has not been an increase in crime throughout the country during the past year or two the facilities for hearing of it have increased. There is no doubt about the fact that we hear of more crimes than formerly.

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THE DEMOCRAT would like to know why the widow of W. L. Gresham, late Secretary of State, is entitled to a pension by the United State's Congress of $100 a month. If the question should, in the mazes of the future, be answered to our satisfaction we may ask no more such.

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Hon. Hannis Taylor, Minister to Spain, is a North Carolinian by birth, though he resided in Alabama when appointed to the post of honor and trust which he now holds. It is a matter of pride to all North Carolinians that in almost every State of the Union may be found the good record of some worthy son of the "Old North State."

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"How long will Ingersoll's influence live after he dies?" is a question that has occurred to some one who gave expression to the same. It is well suggested by another that the following lines, familiar even to the children, are suggestive of the end of the infidel's memory:

"Once there was a dog named Rover,
When he died he died all over."

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If John Jasper's theory, "The Sun do move," be true as a gentleman of intelligence said in Scotland Neck recently, it does not mean that the world stands still in every sense. A firm in Indianapolis is under contract to construct and have ready for work by December a high-speed locomotive to average ninety miles an hour. It is to have no smoke stack, burn fuel oil, have a series of chime whistles and have no fireman.

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The country generally applaud, we believe, the action of Congress in deciding that none of the money in the Indian Appropriation bill for Indian schools should longer go to the Roman Catholic schools. Catholic schools were the only sectarian schools heretofore receiving any of the money. Last year it was cut down 20 per cent. with the understanding that it should be reduced so much for five years, but now it is decided to cut it all off.

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The Senate passed resolutions a few days ago acknowledging Cuba as a belligirent nation. In discussing the matter Senator Hawley, of Connecticut, saidthat the United States is getting into a position which might possibly involve it in war not with one nation but with two. He ridiculed the idea of an American army of ten millions, and asked what would they do without coast defense. He wanted to know if they would march down to the sandy beach of New Jersey and offer themselves as food for the enemy's cannon.

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Mr. R. O. Burton, counsel for Barnes in the Barnes-Crawford libel suit tried in Wake Superior court last week, made a very strong speech. During his remarks he paid his repects to New York newspapers, saying that they "teem with sensationalism and immorality and no decent man can afford to take them in his home for fear they will destroy the peace of his household, estrange the wife of his bosom or blight the lives of his little children whom he is trying to teach to lead pure lives and fear God."

It was said to THE DEMOCRAT a few days ago by a very intelligent and observing young lawyer that Mr. Burton is easily the leading lawyer of the State. Mr. Burton is a Halifax county man, and his friends in the county note with great gratification his pleasing success in our capital city.

Written for THE DEMOCRAT.]

CHRISTIAN MISSIONS.

HOME AND FOREIGN.

BY REV. G. A. OGLESBY, SELMA, N. C.

II.

The Lord Jesus Christ not only commissioned his disciples to go into all the world and preach the gospel to every creature, but furnished them with power to witness for him everywhere. Speaking to them after his resurrection and just before his ascension, he said, "Ye shall receive power, after that the Holy Ghost is come upon you and ye shall be witnesses unto me both in Jerusalem and in Judea, and in Samaria and unto the uttermost parts of the earth." That looks like all the world did not mean select portions, and every creature did not mean a favored few.

"I do not believe in foreign missions," says one. "I think we had better convert everybody in our own country and then go to the heathen." So the Apostles seemed to think, and stayed about Jerusatem and Judea, and called Peter to account for carrying the gospel to Cornelius and his company who were Gentiles, until God drove them out by the persecutions. Then they went everywhere preaching the gospel. He is driving them out of Christian lands today by taking sin and self out of the heart and life and filling them with his own Spirit. You will be ready to go or send when God, maybe by some rare providence, saves you from selfishness.

You want the best work on Foreign and Domestic Missions. Well, read and reread with much prayer and meditation, the Acts of the Apostles. Behold this work at home—in Jerusalem and Judea, how they "continued in singleness of heart," all helping, preacher and people. Behold Paul, Barnabas and others carrying the gospel into the regions beyond. Trace Paul in his three grand missionary tours, starting always at Antioch and establishing churches in Corinth, Derbe, Ephesus, Phillippi, Galatia, Collossae and many other places, going at last with his chain to Rome and there preaching the gospel in his own hired house. See how these heathen embraced and enjoyed the gospel, and then tell me you are opposed to sending it to "those who sit in the region and shadow of death?"

The State Wins.

The following news item was sent our from Washington, D. C., a few days ago:

"The cases long pending in the Supreme Court of the United States as to the validity of the bonds issued by North Carolina under the ordinance of the constitutional convention of 1868, in aid of the Chatham railroad, were decided to-day in favor of the State.

"The Constitution of 1868 gave the Supreme Court of the State the power to hear claims against the State, and recommend them to the Legislature for appropriation, if sustained. An amendment to the Constitution adopted in 1880 took away this power of the Supreme Court. When the plaintiffs in these cases asked the State Court to pass upon their claims for the amount of bonds and coupons held by them, the court held that its power to do so had been taken away by the amendment referred to. The Supreme Court of the United States held that there was no impairment of contract by the repeal of the power given to the State Supreme Court in the Constitution of 1868. The judgment of the State Court in favor of the State was affirmed."

A Nice Way to Keep Meat.

Charlotte Democrat.

As our farmers were so fortunate as to have some hogs to kill this winter, now the qustion is, what is the best method to keep the joints, especially the hams, nice and sweet through the summer. I have tried many and various plans, but my experience has led me to conclude that the cheapest, cleanest and surest method is in the application of pulverized borax just after the meat has been smoked (or dried). Wash clean and while the meat is damp sprinkle the flesh side of the hams and shoulders with the pulverized borax, hang up in the smoke house and it will keep sweet and clean all the year; insects will not trouble it: one pound is sufficient for one dozen ordinary sized hams or shoulders. Try it, brother farmers and see how you like it.

When Baby was sick, we gave her Castoria.
When she was a Child, she cried for Castoria.
When she became Miss, she clung to Castoria.
When she had Children, she gave them Castoria.

TO THE CONQUERED.

I sing the hymn of the conquered, who fell in the battle of life—
The hymn of the wounded, the beaten, who died overwhelmed in the strife.
Not the jubilant song of the victors, for whom the resounding acclaim
Of nations was hitled in chorus, whose brows wore the chaplet of fame—
But the hymn of the low and the humble, the weary and broken in heart,
Who strove and who failed, acting bravely a silent and desperate part;
Whose youth bore no flower on its branches, whose hopes burned in ashes away,
From whose hands slipped the prize they had grasped at, who stood at the dying of day,
With the work of their life all around them, unpitied, unheeded, alone,
With death sweeping down o'er their failure, and all but their faith overthrown.

While the voice of the world shouts its chorus, its psan for those who have won;
While the trumpet is sounding triumphant and high to the breeze and the sun
Gay banners are waving, hands clapping, and hurrying feet,
Throwing after the laurel crowned victors—I stand on the field of defeat.
In the shadow, 'mong those who are fallen and wounded and dying—and there
Chant a requiem low, place my hand on their pain knotted brows, breathe a prayer,
Hold the hand that is helpless, and whisper, "They only the victory win
Who have fought the good fight and and have vanquished the demon that tempts us within.
Who have held to their faith unseduced by the prize that the world holds on high;
Who have dared for a high cause to suffer resist, fight—if need be to die."

Speak, history! Who are life's victors? Unroll thy long annals and say
Are they those whom the world called the victors who won the success of a day?
The martys or Nero? The Spartans who fell at Thermopylae's tryst,
Or the Persians and Xerxes? His judges or Socrites? Pilate or Christ?

—*W. W. Story.*

Victims of Politics.

Christian Herald.

Don't go into politics for fun. It may be fun at the start; but it is crucifixion at the last. The paths of politics in all lands are lined on both sides with the bleached skeletons of mighty men. "Hand us another," says public life, as it pitches one man aside and clutches for some promising man in law or merchandise or social position. Politics must be reformed, and if you have the martyr spirit go into them; but if you undertake that style of life for regalement and profit, you make a mistake that cannot be corrected. A United States senator writes this advice to his boy: If I were to express any regret or designate any great error of my life, it would be that I had ever connected myself with party politics, or accepted a political office. If you would be happy or useful, or self-respecting, I would advise you to let party politics and political positions severely alone.

The only safe spirit in which to enter politics is the martyr spirit, and then if you are sacrificed, you will not be surprised. The fact that you have great brains affords no safety. That is the very reason why you will be put down or viciously handled.

The Newspaper in School.

Springfield Republican.

The growing influence of newspapers in school education was illustrated the other day at a conference of the Public Education Association of New York, when Miss Josephine C. Locke, supervisor of drawing in the public schools of Chicago, told how the children are being trained to search the columns of the press in working on topics of a public nature. It should be one of the functions of every school to teach the children how to read a newspaper to the best advantage—and also what newspapers should be read.

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FRIEND TO MISSIONS.

PRESIDENT CLEVELAND PRESIDES OVER A MISSIONARY MEETING.

Speaks Boldly for the Cause.

President Cleveland was chairman of a great meeting opening a Presbyterian Home Mission campaign in Carnegie Music Hall in New York last week.

The President spoke for the cause of Home Missions as follows:

"I desire to express my appreciation of the privilege of participating in this conference, and of the opportunity thus afforded me to testify to the value and usefulness of the work undertaken by the Board of Home Missions of the Presbyterian Church.

"My interest in this subject and my familiarity with home missionary efforts are not newly acquired. They early came to me in the surroundings of a Christian Presbyterian home, and were stimulated by a father's faithful labors in the cause.

"My early impressions are not, however, the only basis of the testimony I give to-night for home missions. As your fellow-citizen, interested I hope in all things that deepen the religious sentiment of our people and enlarge Christian influence, I fully realize the transcendent importance of this agency in its operation upon the hearts of men for the salvation of their souls. The long rosters of those who have been led into the way of righteousness through the instrumentality of our missions are rich trophies of successful endeavor.

"But it is not only as your fellow-citizen, but as the Chief Executive of your government, that I desire to speak, for I am entirely certain that I serve well our entire people, whose servant I am, when I here testify to the benefit our country has received through home missionary effort, and when I join you in an attempt to extend and strengthen that effort.

IMPORTANCE OF RELIGION.

"No one charged with the duties and responsibilities which necessarily weigh upon a Chief Executive can fail to appreciate the importance of religious teaching and Christian endeavor in the newly-settled portions of our vast domain. It is there where hot and stubborn warfare between the forces of good and evil is constantly invited. In those days, the vanguard of occupation in a new settlement is never without its vicious and criminal element. Gambling-houses and dram-shops are frequently among the first establishments in a new community. It must also be confessed that removal from old homes and old associations to a new and more primitive home has a tendency among honest and respectable settlers to smother scruples, and to breed toleration of evil, and indifference to Christianizing and elevating agencies. These conditions, if unchecked and uncorrected, fix upon the new community by their growth and expansion a character and disposition which, while dangerous to peace and order in the early stages of settlement, develop into badly regulated municipalities, corrupt and unsafe Territories, and undesirable States.

"These are serious considerations in a country where the people, good or bad, are its rulers, because the conditions to which I have referred would certainly menace, within a circle constantly enlarging, the safety and welfare of the entire body politic, if we could not hope that churches and religious teaching would from the first be on the ground to oppose the evil influences that are apt to pervade the beginning of organized communities.

"These churches and this religious teaching were never more needed than now on our distant frontiers, where the process of forming new States is going on so rapidly, and where newcomers, who are to be the citizens of new States, are so rapidly gathering together.

"For these instrumentalities at the outposts of our population, so vitally important in the view of Christian men, as well as patriotic citizens, we must depend, to a very great extent, on home missionary exertion. How can we excuse ourselves if we permit this exertion to languish for the lack of proper support?

SITUATION OF MISSIONARIES.

"If we turn from the objects of home missionary labor to the situation of those actually toiling in distant fields for God and humanity and a purer, better citizenship, our sympathies with their work must be further quickened, and our sense of duty to open and their cause strongly vitalized. These are the men and women who have left home and the association of friends under the direction of [illegible] missionary boards to teach Christianity in sparsely settled sections, and to carry the benefits where none exist. [illegible] comfort, hardship, poverty and [illegible] for the sake of a cause [illegible] in a very comfortable and independent way we profess to be attached. These are our soldiers at the front, holding the battle lines, and we who stay at home can and escape the duty of providing for them and reinforcing them in every way. If we are to continue them, in our opinion,

"Our hearts have recently been profoundly stirred by the danger that threatens the devoted men and women who have gone from among us to preach and teach Christianity in far distant fields. Our sympathies go to them and those with whom they labor, and suffer is doubtless painfully felt across the arm of complete relief is not [illegible] to be able to send them [illegible] any impulse should be lacking to make and strong enough [illegible]

"While we are not prepared as a people to abandon them, nor allow discouragement to paralyze strong activity in their behalf, let us not forget the missionaries in our own land who need our aid, to whom we owe a duty, and who can be reached.

"It seems to me that if the Christian people of our land estimate at its real value the work which the Board of Home Missions has in charge, and if they can be made to realize its extreme importance the means to carry on and extend this work will be easily forthcoming, and I hope that even an unusual interest may be aroused in the halt of the cause by the statements of what this meeting is a part as will suggest to many, heretofore indifferent, that among the most comforting of their possessions will be a share in the triumphs and achievements of home missions."

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