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THE EDITOR'S LEISURE HOURS. Points and Paragraphs of Things Present, Past and Future.

The selling of railroads is getting to be rather a common occurrence. special from Charleston, S. C., last Wednesday said :

'In the United States Circuit court ore to-day Judge Simonton issued a decree ordering the sale of the Wilmington, Newbern and Norfolk Railway. No date was filed, but it is understood that the property will be placed on the block about the first of Your lively feet, almost without your August."

The college graduate has many advisers just now. He or she can not the house to join with the marchers. hope to tollow all the advice given ; for even an attempt at such a thing would but bewilder them all the more.

One thing will we observe for their every year from the various institutions the educated can no longer hope for easy places altogether. That is the lowest idea of education anyway. The true idea of education is the better preparation for serving humanity and

There are two seasons of recreation Winter and Summer. Certain classes of persons seek recreation and amuseother classes in the other.

Some one quite forcefully observes however, that no one has a right to amusement who has not earned it by off by yourself to dream, with your to those who have been closely engaged. And there seems to be good reasoning in it. But sad to observe not all get the amusement who earn it. In many cases the conditions are reversed and those who have earned it have to keep on earning it without get-

Dr. L. G. Broughton got a good step ahead of most people in his able ad dress before the alumni association at Wake Forest College last week when he said: "I believe the time will come when it will be regarded as a sin for a Christian man to get rich." While we grant there is much crookedness in Supreme and Federal Courts. Claims much of the money-making of the present day, we do not believe it is a sin yet awhile ior a man to make honest accumulations. And inasmuch as being rich is a comparative matter according to one's environments and the condition of one's neighbors, Dr. Broughton's idea will bear pruning, we

> as liberty! A young man breaks away very nice to look at and the other full from home influence, and seeks enjoy- of seams. The seamy side of war was ment in doubtful places, because he for the mothers who could never see wants his liberty and his independence. their killed boys again, and whose But his first step toward a loose or vi- hearts felt robbed of the precious, dear cious life is his first step toward a new one who lost his life because perhaps bondage. A recent writer notes that of a silly quarrel among big people like free from a master goes and sells himself to another for he cannot be troubled was a wonderful thing and that to cut with managing for himself. But he has it short was very serious. They saw the excuse that he does not want the too how seamy a side life always must responsibility of being his own manag- bear to those who were wounded and er. Poor African that he is, he is not lived for years in pain or maimed. So deluding himself as is the fairer youth though great armies still exist, you wil who imagines that he can remain his find people growing more and more to the bondage of a victous life. Folk anxious to avoid war because of the ter own manager while he sells himself inspeech says "It's harder work getting rible side of it. to hell than to heaven." Better serve in the bondage to habits of righteousness than of folly and vice.

At Wake Forest last week the editor of THE COMMONWEALTH had the oppor- to be in a big army in a fight. Yet I tunity of shaking hands with Congressman W. W. Kitchin, and spend a short while with him. He was just from Salem where he had delivered a great address at the commencement of Salem ness, must prepare to fight too. Wise School. Mr. Kitchin is a Scotland men say that all the struggles of the Neck boy and has many admirers here, past have helped to make men deterand we gladly give the following com-SCOTLAND NEUK STEAM DYEING Co. plimentary paragraph from a special to

the News and Observer from Winston: "Hon. W. W. Kitchin, the brilliant Congressman from the Fifth North Car- about? It can be easily told to you. It has no equal for whooping cough, olina district, delivered the annual address. His subject was "The Glory of in as an orator had preceded him, and boys there. They all will need to earn and for consumption. It is safe for all lions of mothers for their children while We have just received the largest in as an orator had preceded him, and handsomest shipment at the largest of t and handsomest shipment of silver- his effort to-day. His handsome physware we are not silver-Ware we ever offered to our customers. Handsome Pickie Dishes: Orange, Cothis ready flow of language, his familiare and Roman Roman

ABOUT BATTLES.

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Some Rambling Thoughts.

BY "NEMO."

(Copyrighted.) TO THE BOYS ABOUT BATTLES :-- I know just how you feel when you hear the boom-boom-boom-boom -boom of a drum on the streets. knowing it, move backward or forward in time with the sound and you are very glad indeed if you can run out of

I know too how excited you feel by the sheriff. when a good brass band strikes up a stirring tune. It makes a creepy feeling come over the top of your head, then a sudden little shiver goes down your benefit: With the increasing numbers backbone clear to your toes, a sort of a lump comes in your throat so that for a moment you feel as though you could scarcely breathe; and then off you go, feet hardly touching the ground, ready to march mile after mile if you may but stay near the music.

Another thing I know you like, and that is to get some old soldier to tell you war stories. If his eyes grow bright in telling about brave little drummer boys, about bands playing as the men march into battle, about shrieking shells and ping-ing bullets, ment in the one season and certain fierce charges and bursting minies, you are sorry when he stops. I know you; it is the battles you like the best of all to hear about in history; and when you have heard them you sometimes get hard work. Amusement belongs only eyes open, of what you would do with a repeating rifle and a trusty revolver against twenty toes creeping towards had lived abroad for several years, came you to kill you.

> I reckon it is quite easy to understand why you should feel this way; for wise men do say that children show forth in their little lives all the different stages of past human history. Let me tell you in part what I mean:

> When you were much smaller you used to love fairy stories, telling of the gentle deeds of the funny little crea tures that were supposed to be inside flowers and under toad-stools. Just like you, ages ago, grown up people believed in fairies too; so that it is fair to say that the world has had a fairy-tale age.

Now that your strong little body holds a very fierce little heart within it that takes pleasure in struggles and revels in stories of great generals, you forget the harmless little fairies. So has it been with men. Not many ages ago great and good men spent all their time thinking about battles and training themselves to kill as many as possible of their fellow creatures.

But gentler times have come among men. When large numbers came to think it over they saw that war, like How often does bondage masquerade vour new jacket, has two sides; one among some African races a man set kings and generals. These thoughtful men gradually saw that a human life

So if you want to have the history of the race completely sketched out in your little life, you will have to press back your fierce temper and your desire am going to tell you there were fights in fairy times and there are fights now. People fight now with their heads in stead of their arms, and you, if you expect to win the full power of manlimined, and that it some form of fighting were not continued on the earth, ve should drop back and become lazy

good-for-nothing people. What is the fighting I am talking

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one of them can get ahead of you, or cheat you, or laugh at you for being THEY HAVE WOMEN AS THEIR foolish. Surely you do not want to be without a good head and a good store in it. There are such; they are the sort that always have time to watch the train come in but never find time

fight is to train your train so that not

thinks of writing to them. tions that open. In the country the life.

fight is on just as it is in the city. with brains makes an honest profit and good. lives, while the footish one is sold out

your own life by taking some one else's York City the great majority are womaway. You have, therefore, much more en. From 1880 to 1890 women "mutime than the boys of long ago to pre- sicians and music-teachers increased struggle of brains are so much better keepers, clerks and copyists, from 8, than they used to be, that you have no 011 to 82,825; journalists from 35 to excuse for being anything but a good 888; physicians, from 527 to 4,555 soldier.

I hope I have not used any words men in your family will not lose any- drudges. thing by reading the articles too.

Deformed.

The old doctor's widowed sister, who successful. other races, and was constantly pointing out defects in the manners and habits of foreigners. One evening she described to the doctor the faulty methods of handling infants in different countries.

"In the East and even in southern Europe they are swaddled so tightly from head to foot that their limbs are distorted and their bodies deformed In Rome and Naples you meet dwarfs and hunch-backs at every turn, and you understand the reason when you see how the poor bambinos are bound so that no muscle can grow or develop. I am thankful that such cruelty is not known in America."

The doctor was thoughtful but made no answer. Presently the guest began to inquire for some of her old acquaintances in the vilage.

"I am surprised that none of the Clark sisters married," she said. They were such pretty, sensible, warm-hearted girls. I expected to find them happy wives and matrons."

"They had offers of marriage," said the doctor, "from young farmers and tradesmen, quite worthy of them; but and the Clark girls were taught that a man who was smart from his infancy. his wife, with an exclamation of imcarriage, fine clothes, and luxuries were

"What a pity!" said his sister; and

their cousin, Jane Watson?" "She was an energetic, affectionate pretty girl, who if she had married a doubt, have made a good, happy wife faithfully; but her mother taught her the same creed as that of her cousins At eighteen she married an old man whose only virtue was that he was very wealthy."

"In three years she was sent home doctor was silent a moment, and then said gravely :

"We do not bandage or cripple sometimes we swathe their souls in plish honest prayer, backed up by faith false conceptions of life. No wonder that will not take no for an answer. they are deformed !'

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TO YOUNG MEN.

COMPETITORS.

A Hard Struggle Ahead.

to work; the sort that rather than plow By Geo. R. Scott.

or chop wait around post-offices to look The young men who read my arti for letters when they know no one ever cles have a hard struggle ahead of them in order to be successful as far as Brains tell, dear boys; and the more this life is concerned. And a moderboys there are in the world, the sharp- ate share of outward success is almost er becomes the fighting for any posi- essential to a useful and happy religious

The young men of today have not There the farmer with good brains beats only to compete with cheap foreign la- Leave what you've done for what you the slouchy one, whether the weather bor, but also with the labor of women, be fine or not; there the storekeeper which is not only cheap but generally

In "Manhood's Morning" I read that of 425,000 teachers in this country two-Times are now so peaceful that you thirds are women. Of about 36,000 do not need to think of how to save typewriters and stenographers in New pare for the battles without blood. The from 5,753 to 34,519; ariists and teachschools, too, for training you to the ers of art from 412 to 10,810; booklawyers, rrom 5 to 208, and clergywom en, from 67 to 1,235."

I find no fault with women for trytoo hard for you. Difficult words may ing to earn an honest living in the vasound well, but they sometimes tail to rious walks of professions and trades reach the brain. For two weeks more but, on the contrary, congratulate them I shall write to you about "battles"; on the increased facilities they now and in such away, I hope, that the have, to be something besides mere

> into consideration the fact that there lution of the whole question. are now thousands of women ready to

There is one element of character | Harper's Bazar. to the village to visit him as soon as that women have to greater degree than she returned home. She was inclined men, and that is honesty. Seldom does to think Americans superior to all one hear of a temale clerk being discharged for stealing. Women seem to have more of what we call conscience

> Notwithstanding the fact that wo men are not physically as able to endure toil as men are, it is of every day occurrence that they do endure more than men, and stand the strain without a The coming young man has to com-

a good heart. Both are absolutely necmakeup that young men can afford to not let his promise keep him from copy, and that is willingness to study staying away."

pete with a good deal, and to be suc-

cessful he must have a good head and

and willingness to endure in order to accomplish the desired object. perate struggle to overcome them. was never wholly able to shake off.

stand others. if they had married them they would with no brilliancy in his make-up out- and glanced over a bill enclosed in it. have had to live plainly and work hard strip in the race of life another young Then he tossed it across the table to

"Know thyselt" before trying to under-

It is the tireless plodder—the young patience : necessaries of life. So they have re- man who looks carefully after his weak mained unmarried, as no rich suitors spots that generally comes out all right larger than I expected it to be. I canin the end.

I once asked a wealthy and honored the money in bank." man how it was that he had overcome the difficulties of life and had proved Matters had come to a fearful pass. Her himself to be a business success. His father could not pay his debts; he poor man that she loved would, no reply was, "I have always tried to keep a clean heart and a small head." And was found out. and mother, and have served her God this course had resulted in his possessing a large heart and a wise head.

nothing, nothing;" but do all you can to be something in your day and generation. Almost any young man can be nothing without half trying; but to be her fears, until bedtime, when she was something worth talking about requires tucked into her cot-she caught her divorced-a disgraced woman." The the grace of God and the practical ap- mother around the neck and sobbed plication of all our powers to accomplish what we desire.

Study, think, and work. Bring to our last night at home? Shall we have our children's bodies in America;" but bear upon what you want to accom-

> Let all your motives be pure, and so live that you will have the smile of God and the confidence of those with whom you come in contact.

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Yet, in opinions look not always back, Your wake is nothing, mind the coming track;

have to do, Don't be "consistent," but be simply Oliver Wendall Holmes.

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the fields.

Household Words tells how an insurance board turned the laugh on the company's medical examiner:

Mr. Zea, the Columbian minister in England, died very suddenly. He was insured in various offices, and rumor said he had shot himself. A meeting of one of the insurance boards was held, and the directors were talking the matter oyer, when Doctor M. appeared, who was the company's medical referee, as well as Mr. Zea's own physician.

"Ah! now you can tell us the true cause of Zea's death."

"Certainly I can," said the doctor. solemnly, "because I attended him." Here he paused, and was surprised But the young man who has any to find that his merely preliminary reambition to be something must take mark was hilariously received as a so-

Little Pitchers.

Children have the faculty of hearing and seeing much more than their elders would believe possible. They are too guileless to be hypocritical, but it seems natural to them to listen to and observe all that passes in their presence while they appear outwardly demure and inattentive.

The average parents are not careful enough as to what they say to one another and about other people in the presence of the little ones. One grown woman confesses to having all her life distrusted a friend of the family because of something she heard her moth- 3 25 tf er say years ago. She remarked to her husband, "Bob said he would be here There is one point in a woman's to dinner to-night, but, as usual, he did

It was said carelessly of a man who was so intimate in the family as to It will pay a young man to think come and go at his pleasure. The carefully over the conditions that he child, listening, decided in her heart must face and overcome. A young that "Bob" had broken his promise. man slow to learn and dull of compre- "As usual," mamma had said. That hension might as well first as last, ad- must mean that he often lied-that he mit his detects and then make a des- was, in fact, a liar. And this belief she

Another child was present when the morning's mail was brought in. Her How often have I seen a young man father tore open a business envelope,

> "There is J---'s bill. It is even not pay it this month. I simply haven't

Terror-struck, the child left the room. would be sent to prison as soon as it

All day long the little one watched from her nursery windows for the Young men, never sing "Oh, to be sheriff she thought would come to "sell So uncommunicative are children that she said nothing to her mother of

"Oh, mamma, do you suppose this is

to go to the poorhouse to-morrow?"

Then it was all told, and mamma explained that papa spoke hastily-that he could meet all his obligations, that the bill he had received that morning would be paid in good time, etc., until the little girl, feeling as if she had been snatched back from the very doors of the poorhouse, sank to sleep. But though she has now children of her

ing thoughtlessly where there is even one very little pitcher with big ears. ARE YOU OUT OF SORTS.

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