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## Notice.

State of North Carolina, Halifax County. In the Superior Court. C. V. Andrews, G. T. Andrews, A. A. Andrews, E. L. Andrews, C. N. Andrews, A. W. Watson, R. H. L. Watson, H. L. Watson and Lena Watson, the last three being minors and appearing by their father and next friend, C. F. Watson, Ex Parte:

In pursuance of the order of the court in the above entitled special proceedings I will on the 5th day of March, 1900, in the town of Scotland Neck, N. C., sell for cash at public auction to the highest bidder the following described tracts of land lying in Halifax county, Palmyra township, to-wit:

First tract--That tract of land known as the Stephen Andrews home place, adjoining the lands of J. C. Meekins, N. K. Pippin, Tom Johnson and others, containing 197 acres, more or less and lying on the right hand side of the road leading from Anthony John's to Palmyra.

Second tract--That lot of land in the town of Palmyra, N. C., containing about 23 acres, lying on the east side of the Main street of said town, adjoining the lands of L. J. Baker, Baker & Robertson, and known as the Andrews lot. This Jan'y 29, 1900.

CLAUDE KITCHIN, Commissioner.

## Notice.

NORTH CAROLINA, Halifax County. In the Superior Court, March Term 1900.

Mariam Harris vs. Albert Harris, SUMMONS. The defendant above named will take notice that an action entitled above has been commenced in the Superior Court of Halifax county, the object of which is to obtain a divorce from him on account of abandonment, and the said defendant will further take notice that he is required to appear at the next term of the Superior Court of said county to be held on the 5th day of March, 1900, at the court house of said county in Halifax, N. C., and answer or demur to the complaint of the plaintiff in said action, or the plaintiff will apply to the court for the relief demanded in said complaint.

This 16th day of Jan., 1900. E. M. GARY, C. S. C. S. G. DANIEL, Atty for Plaintiff.

## Notice.

State of North Carolina, County of Halifax. SUMMONS BY PUBLICATION. R. J. SHIELDS vs. ROBERT HOWARD.

To Robert Howard, the Defendant: Whereas a summons issued by the undersigned against you has been returned by the Sheriff of said county, and endorsed, "Not to be found in my county." You are hereby notified that an action has been begun against you by the said R. J. Shields for the purpose of securing a judgment against you for the sum of Two Hundred Dollars with interest from Jan. 1st, 1895, and you are hereby summoned to appear before me at my office in the town of Hobgood, N. C., on the 10th day of March, 1900, to answer or demur to the complaint of the plaintiff, or judgment will be rendered against you.

Witness my hand this 6th day of February, 1900. IVEY M. PARKER, J. P.

## Notice.

By virtue of power in me vested by that Deed of Trust which was executed to me by George B. Blackburn and his wife Mollie, which is duly recorded in the Register's office for Halifax county, in book 124, on page 396, I shall sell for Cash at auction in the town of Scotland Neck, on the 12th day of March, 1900, the property therein described, to-wit: That land in Halifax township, bounded by the lands of Z. M. Bradley, J. E. Ellor, and J. T. Waitaker and containing 33 3/4 acres, more or less.

Feb. 12, 1900. W. A. DUNN, Trustee.

## WHAT RELIGION IS.

All Men Are Interdependent.

ALL BELONG TO ONE FAMILY.

Written for The Commonwealth.

A short sermon--A healthy tree stands fast in the earth. Only as long as it holds to the earth can it raise its waving hand toward heaven. In this truth there is something like a human truth. Look with doubt upon that kind of spiritual exaltation which makes a man less of a man after he receives it. Narrow-gauge ways, narrow-minded condemnation of offering opinions, and a shrinking away from the earth duties do not express a real spirituality. It is perfectly natural for a man to be religious in his yearnings while still a man, perfect in every physical sense, the two qualities in him will not run counter to each other. The animal within him will be held in restraint but not destroyed, while the spiritual within him will also very necessarily be held in restraint and yet not destroyed. The two have a right to exist together each strengthening the other; or we have to blame the Creator for a very great blunder.

I have known whining men and women holding up their hands in horror at the ravages committed by one they called "The Prince of the Power of the Air," and yet with miserable inconsistency not moving finger nor harrowing their souls to stop one particle of the evils they condemned, ever taking refuge in the lazy plea that this is not God's world. These same people--I do not exaggerate--would sing of the land of rest and pine for it and yet by all measurements of all that is holy they had not exerted any wearying pull towards good on behalf of this peculiar mixed old world.

Religion surely is to make us stronger, not weaker. More of men than less of men, or other wise to have its perfect work, we ought to be translated at once from this sphere to another. This is last surely not. Religion is not to slay but to make alive, right here and right now; not to emasculate but to teach restraint; not to uproot us from earth but to show what earth can produce in the way of aspiring spirits whose heads are raised toward heaven.

No new view of the world to come makes us any less the members of the great human family. It is the selfishness of "tooth and claw," showing again in man, for those who claim to have light to feel indifferent and superior to those who dwell in darkness.

Depend upon it, the more our roots strike down into a feeling of the common origin and common life of all the higher will be our aspirations and the better the fruits we bear; for in that very feeling of oneness with all will come the thrill of knowing we have a share in the results of that human family has gained, and we in our feeble way can add to its grand sum total. If there is truth in this, live up to it. If it is not truth, speak out of your life something better.

Quaker lady suggests the following cosmetic: For the lips, truth; for the voice, prayer; for the eyes, pity; for the hands, charity; for the figure, uprightness; and for the heart, love.

Social ostracism will have no effect on a man who has already indulged until his pride has departed and his senses all dulled, but those who have not already gone beyond the pale of redemption will stop and reflect for a long time before taking a step that will withdraw them forever from the association of the fair sex. Mallory, S. C. M. H. G.

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## Good Points on Wash Day.

A very hot iron should never be used for flannels or woolsens.

Clothes-lines are made more durable by boiling for ten minutes before they are used.

Table linen should be ironed when quite damp, and iron with a hot and very heavy iron.

Embroideries should be ironed on a thin, smooth surface over thick flannels, and on the wrong side.

Linen may be made beautifully white by the use of a little refined borax in the water, instead of using a washing fluid.

Wash fabrics that are inclined to fade should be soaked and rinsed in very salt water, to set the color, before washing in the suds.

Silken fabrics, especially white silk handkerchiefs, should not be dampened, but ironed with a moderately warm iron, when taken from the line.

Irons should not be allowed to become red hot, as they will never retain the heat properly afterwards.---Journal of Health.

THAT HACKING COUGH is a source of annoyance to yourself and others, as well as of distress. By taking a teaspoonful of PAIN-KILLER in half glass of warm water or milk every hour, or two, you will be surprised to find how quickly the cough will disappear. Insist upon getting the genuine. Sold in two sizes, Price 25c, and 50c. Avoid substitutes, there is but one PAIN-KILLER, Perry Davis.

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## SGROFULA AND ITS AWFUL HORRORS JOHNSTON'S Sarsaparilla QUART BOTTLES. A MOST WONDERFUL CURE.

A Grand Old Lady Gives Her Experience. Mrs. Thankful Orilla Hurd lives in the beautiful village of Brighton, Livingston Co., Mich. This venerable and highly respected lady was born in the year 1812, the year of the great war, in Hebron, Washington Co., New York. She came to Michigan in 1840, the year of "Tippecanoe and Tyler too." All her faculties are excellently preserved, and possessing a very retentive memory, her mind is full of interesting reminiscences of her early life, of the early days of the State of Michigan and the interesting and remarkable people she has met, and the stirring events of which she was a witness. But nothing in her varied and manifold recollections are more marvelous and worthy of attention than are her experiences in the use of JOHNSTON'S SARSAPARILLA. Mrs. Hurd inherited a tendency and predisposition to scrofula, that terribly destructive blood taint which has cursed and is cursing the lives of thousands and marking thousands more as victims of the death angel. Transmitted from generation to generation, it is found in nearly every family in one form or another. It may make its appearance in dreadful running sores, in unsightly swellings in the neck of the throat, or in eruptions of varied forms. Attacking the mucous membrane, it may be known as catarrh in the head, or developing in the lungs it may be, and often is, the prime cause of consumption.

Speaking of her case, Mrs. Hurd says: "I was troubled for many years with a bad skin disease. My arms and limbs would break out in a mass of sores, discharging yellow matter. My neck began to swell and became very unsightly in appearance. My body was covered with scrofulous eruptions. My eyes were also greatly inflamed and weakened, and they pained me very much. My blood was in a very bad condition and my head ached severely at frequent intervals, and I had no appetite. I had sores also in my ears. I was in a miserable condition, I had tried every remedy that had been recommended, and doctor after doctor had failed. One of the best physicians in the state told me I must die of scrofulous consumption, as internal abscesses were beginning to form. I at length was told of Dr. Johnston's Sarsaparilla, and his famous Sarsaparilla. I tried a bottle, more as an experiment than anything else, as I had no faith in it, and greatly to my agreeable surprise, I began to grow better. You can be sure I kept on taking it. I took a great many bottles. But I steadily improved until I became entirely well. All the sores healed up, all the bad symptoms disappeared. I gained perfect health, and I have never been troubled with scrofula since. Of course an old lady of 83 years is not a young woman, but I have had remarkably good health since then, and I firmly believe that JOHNSTON'S SARSAPARILLA is the greatest blood purifier and the best medicine in the world, both for scrofula and as a spring medicine." This remarkably interesting old lady did not look to be more than sixty, and she repeated several times, "I believe my life was saved by JOHNSTON'S SARSAPARILLA."

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## SOCIAL OSTRACISM.

The Remedy Proposed For Intemperance.

IT RESTS WITH THE WOMEN.

## THE EDITOR'S LEISURE HOURS.

Points and Paragraphs of Things Present, Past and Future.

Dr. Leslie E. Keel, of Rockford, Ill., died at his winter home in California a few days ago. He was the discoverer of what is known as the "gold cure" for drunkenness, and his discovery has, beyond doubt, been a great blessing to humanity. The Charlotte Observer fittingly said of him: "Not a great orator, not a great statesman, not one who commanded the attention of listening senates, but greater than these, a benefactor of his race. A system of medicine, if it may be so called, released him from a thraldom under which they are bound; it does it, undoubtedly, if they are willing patients; and the originator deserves the passing tribute of a tear."

The great tide of manufacturing interests now setting in for the South is changing the opportunities of southern young men. Formerly the avenues to successful endeavor by young men of talent and energy were limited to what was known as the learned professions and commercial and trading interests. The high possibilities for excellence, wealth and distinction in manufacturing pursuits were cut off from our young men; but now it is common to hear men say, "I desire my boys to take up cotton milling or some pursuit that will give them a chance in the great industrial world." And when they speak of the "industrial world," they mean the South now.

Small-pox is so general in the western part of the State that it can almost be said to be "raging." North Carolina has suffered a great deal in business during the past twelve months by reason of small-pox. Other states in the South have suffered also, notably Virginia, South Carolina, Georgia, and Mississippi. According to the best medical and scientific authority of the world the sure remedy as a preventive is vaccination. It turns out that in whatever locality small-pox develops the health authorities order compulsory vaccination, and THE COMMONWEALTH believes that the General Assembly would do well at the coming June session to pass a general vaccination law for the entire State.

The problem of working colored labor in the general manufacturing is engaging attention and the experiments are being made. There is a mill at Fayetteville operated by colored labor. Mr. John A. Oates, editor of the North Carolina Baptist, has visited the mill and writes a letter in his paper describing the mill and its management. It was not known when the mill was projected that it was to be operated by colored labor; indeed this fact was not known until the building was about ready for machinery, and Mr. Oates writes that there was at once vigorous protest. The property, however, belonged to a New Jersey Company and there was little or no attention paid to the protests.

Mr. Oates says the mill has been in operation four months and that the work is successful, and if it continues to be successful, it will go a long way toward solving some features of the labor question as it relates to the negroes.

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