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THE EDITOR'S LEISURE HOURS

Points and Paragraphs of Things Present, Past and Future.

The Atlanta Journal says that the wave of educational enthusiasm is sweeping over Georgia with such force that an audience to listen to a discussion of educational interests can be secured more easily than an audience to hear politics discussed.

Recently a gentleman of much intelligence standing with us and looking out over a fine stretch of cultivated farm lands said that if he were just twenty-one years old, with his present tastes, he would devote his life to farming.

He would, then, advise young men that farm life is not to be despised, but loved and followed.

Col. J. S. Carr, of Durham, has sent out a letter to the press of the State, declaring himself a candidate for office of United States Senator to succeed Marion Butler.

Rural free delivery is vigorously discussed now-a-days. Some very good people say they do not see much in it, while others say it would be a great convenience to any community.

Some people in the country would like it while some would care little for it. But from the stand-point of common sense it seems clear that free delivery throughout the rural districts would furnish good and easy means for country people to become better acquainted with passing events.

"Young America does not like work. He prefers fine clothes and fast horses and apes the man before he is a man."

So writes an author whose works are read with eagerness. The same author says that almost every man now-a-days seeks to acquire wealth by some grand speculation by some other means than by the honest "sweat of his brow."

And reasoning from these premises the author says that there is no doubt about the fact that there is a surplus of professional men in this country. The supply, he says, exceeds the demand, but does not point out any remedy.

We hope to see the time come when education will cease to unfit people for labor and toil.

RICHER THAN KINGS.

New York.—The annual receipts of John D. Rockefeller, head of the Standard Oil Company, are nearly equal to the combined incomes of all the crowned heads of Europe.

Andrew Carnegie, who has an income of \$20,000,000 a year himself, says Rockefeller is the wealthiest man in the world.

Aside from his Standard Oil property Rockefeller has an enormous income from iron interests in the Mesalla range. He has the controlling interest in a fleet of steamers upon the Great Lakes.

Chinese are dangerous enemies, for they are treacherous. That's why all counterfeiters of DeWitt's Witch Hazel Salve are dangerous.

Not Her Fault.—Aunt: "My dear, you should speak more politely to your superiors."

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A Very Good Reason.—A: "Why has our friend C. become so sad?" B: "He has just taken the position of joke maker with 'Laugh and Jest.'"

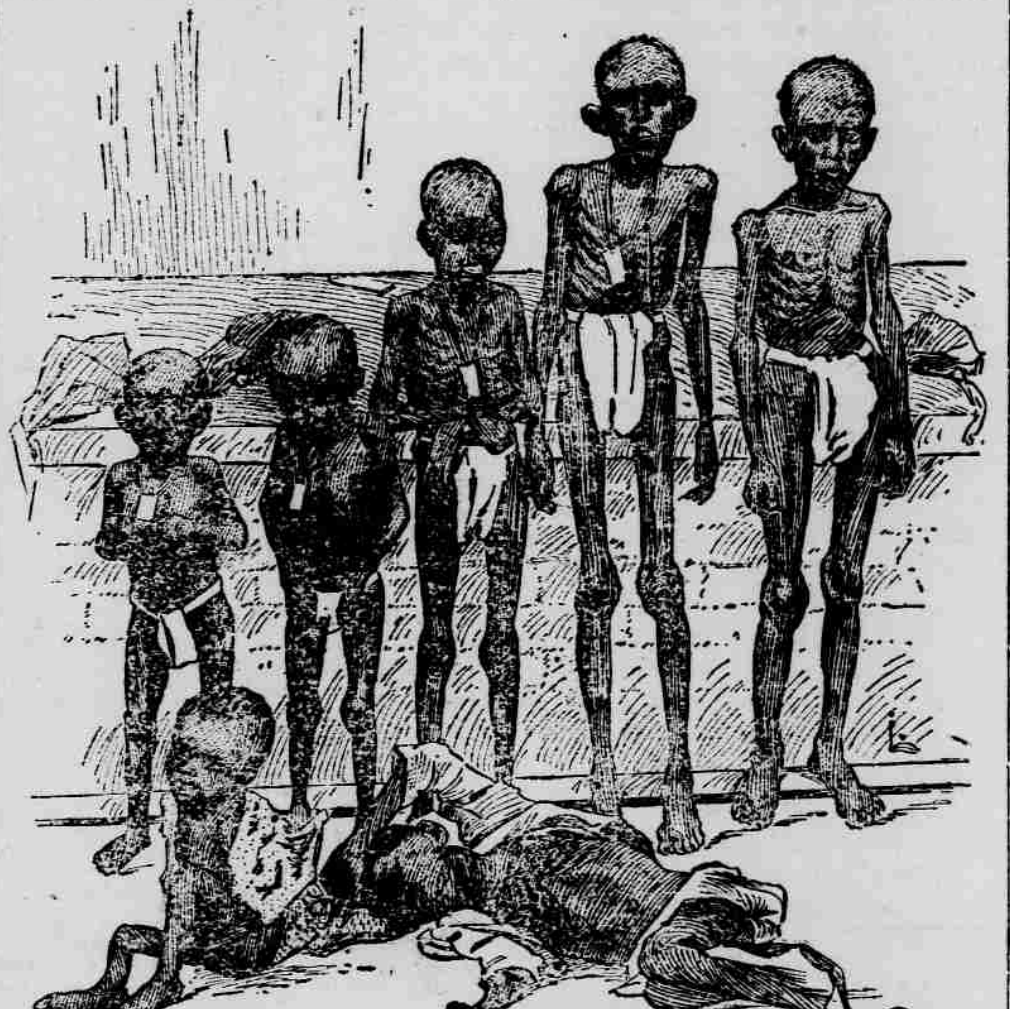
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FAMINE'S LEGACY TO THE WORLD.

Half a Million Starving and Helpless Orphans In Need of Help.

News by cable from India's Viceroy, the Governor of Bombay, and other officials, from American missionaries and from newspaper correspondents, report a general rainfall in the famine stricken districts and prospects brighter than at any time for the past two years.



grazing grounds, garden-plots, in fact the whole parched earth, is giving promise of generous fertility, as in the years gone by.

But these are after all, only signs and promises; which, while restoring hope to the hearts of the stricken millions, must not be taken as meaning that the famine is at an end.

As the cause of the awful distress and desolation was lack of rain, it will take a very long, steady rainfall to restore the ground to a condition rich enough to yield.

Moreover, millions of head of cattle, indeed, ninety per cent. of all the cattle have died, for want of fodder; and farmers will remain tied hand and foot till the Government supplies new live stock to replace the old, whose bones lie scattered the country over.

Therefore, desperate distress still exists. Utter desolation is still the lot of millions. If the Government were now to withdraw its aid, shut up the relief works and poor-houses, if American contributions were now to cease and Missionaries to stop their work, ten million homeless, helpless people would be in imminent danger of starving to death.

Famine has written her will on the face of the land. She is leaving Christendom a legacy in the form of hundreds of thousands of homeless, helpless orphans.

The million men and women, who, after indescribable suffering, have succumbed, since the famine began, not only to starvation, but to fever, plague and cholera besides, have left fully half a million fatherless, motherless children.

The laws of health require that the bowels move once each day and one of the penalties for violating this law is piles. Keep your bowels regular by taking a dose of Chamberlain's Stomach and Liver Tablets when necessary.

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He says: "Living expenses in India are light. The expense of caring for the five hundred thousand orphans, while stupendous in the aggregate, is yet easily within reach when considered one by one.

"Five cents for every working day or thirty cents a week will clothe, feed, shelter and instruct a child, and there are but few people who cannot undertake the responsibility for one child, giving part themselves and collecting the balance from friends and neighbors.

THE CHRISTIAN HERALD, Bible House New York, will receive all pledges and moneys for famine orphans, and will cable the money to India free of all expense, and weekly reports of pledges received will be cabled at the same time.

What a Dreadful Thing it is to wake up in the night suffering from cholera morbus, and yet cases of this kind are very common.

Mrs. Egan—What is the matter with that mess of pottage? Egan—That is "the kind mother used to make.—Brooklyn Lite.

It will surprise you to experience the benefit obtained by using the dainty and famous little pills known as DeWitt's Little Early Risers.

"What's the difference between knowledge and wisdom?" "Well, it takes knowledge to build an automobile, but it takes wisdom to run it."

A lame shoulder is usually caused by rheumatism of the muscles, and may be cured by a few applications of Chamberlain's Pain Balm.

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Consoling.—He: "I hear that you have been talking about me." She: "No, indeed, I make it a point never to speak of my friends unless I can say something good of them, and so I have not mentioned you at all."

Saving the children, in famine time, is one of the most encouraging phases of relief work, while to see children starve, to know that they, the helpless ones, cannot be helped, that they must die by inches for want of food, is a condition of affairs that wrings the heart.

Thousands of these orphans are now in the hands of American missionaries, having been plucked by them from the jaws of the famine, but they must soon be turned out to starve unless the missionaries receive the means to purchase food for them.

Whence is to come the money for the support of these helpless little ones? A plan for the solution of this problem has been formed by Dr. Louis Klopf, proprietor of The Christian Herald.

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Wilmington and Weldon Railroad, Bennettsville Branch—Train leaves Bennettsville 8:05 a. m., Maxton 9:10 a. m., Red Springs 9:40 a. m., Hope Mills 10:32 a. m., arrives Fayetteville 10:55 a. m., returning leaves Fayetteville 4:40 p. m., Hope Mills 4:55 p. m., Red Springs 5:25 p. m., Maxton 6:15 p. m., arrives Bennettsville 7:15 p. m.

Trains on Washington Branch leave Washington 8:10 a. m. and 2:30 p. m., arrive Parmer 9:10 a. m. and 4:00 p. m., returning leave Parmer 9:30 a. m. and 6:30 p. m., arrive Washington 11:00 a. m. and 7:30 p. m., daily except Sunday.

Train leaves Tarboro, N. C., daily except Sunday 5:50 p. m., Sunday 4:15 p. m., arrives Plymouth 7:40 p. m., 6:10 p. m., returning leaves Plymouth daily except Sunday 7:50 a. m. and Sunday 9:00 a. m., arrives Tarboro 10:10 a. m., 11:00 a. m.

Train on Midland N. C. Branch leaves Goldsboro daily, except Sunday 5:30 a. m., arriving Smithfield 6:40 a. m., returning leaves Smithfield 7:35 a. m.; arrives at Goldsboro 9:00 a. m.

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