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THE EDITOR'S LEISURE HOURS.

Points and Paragraphs of Things Present, Past and Future.

THE COMMONWEALTH again comes to the farmers and urges them to sow wheat. Now is the season for that work and the recent rains have put the lands in good condition for it.

Let every farmer who can do so plant a few acres in wheat, and with anything like a fair crop he will find that it will come cheaper than if he should buy all his flour. While there may be no flouring mill near you, it will pay you to have the wheat even if you have to haul it some distance.

There seems no end to the utility of the product of the cotton plant. It has been only a few years since it was learned that cotton seed were good for anything at all except to be thrown out carelessly upon the compost heap.

The latest discovery about cotton seed is that the hulls make better paper pulp than wood; and the discovery and experiment therewith indicate that it will reduce the cost of paper of the grade made therefrom at least one half.

Perhaps nowhere and at no time in the history of this great country has there been displayed greater energy and recuperative power by any people than by the people of Galveston.

It is simply wonderful to contrast the gruesome story of the city's destruction a few weeks ago with the present cheerful reports that come from its rebuilding. The railroad and steamship lines are already at their usual business; the elevators are at work, shipping interests are looking like they did before the storm and flood, and Galveston is putting on life again.

Galveston promises to be great again, and the new city will be more wisely built than the old. Good cheer to our plucky people in the South!

The election is over, and this is written before any results are known. The people of North Carolina have borne a great strain this year. Passing through one of the most exciting campaigns and elections in August that our people have known in a quarter century, and then through a national election this week, we are all tired and worn out with it.

Let us put our energies to such test that we shall have prosperity, whether McKinley or Bryan is president. This is written before a vote has been cast in this election; and we wish to emphasize this truth—and it is a solid truth—that not half so much depends on who is president as upon the individual man for our prosperity.

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THE POWER OF TRIFLES.

MUCH IN MANY.

Small Things Lead to Great Ones.

William Matthews in Saturday Evening Post. The epigrammatic poet, Edward Young, tells us in one of his satires to

"Think naught a trifle, though it small appear; Small sands the mountain, moments make the year; And trifles life." To the philosopher who knows that it is only relatively that things are large or small there is nothing petty, trivial or unimportant.

The chalk beds of England are hundreds of feet thick and many miles long. Who piled up these precipitous masses of "the silver-coated isle"? Billions of animalcules, so infinitesimally small that it has been calculated that ten millions of their dead bodies lie in a cubic inch of space.

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"Trifles, light as air," will bring ruin upon a man of a family, and blast the hopes of a kingdom. The vital knot of a man's nervous system is said to be no bigger than a pin's head, yet upon this tiny speck depends the life of the nerves, and upon that hangs the existence of a Caesar or a Napoleon who shapes the destinies of mankind.

Napoleon, after the fruitless siege of Acre, declared that a grain of sand had upset all his projects. Sallust tells us that a pinwinkle led to the capture of Gibraltar. It was a goose that in one eye saw Rome from its enemies. It was a hare that once caused its capture. "A chambermaid," says Lord Chesterfield, "has often made a revolution in palaces, which was followed by political revolution in kingdoms; the subtlest diplomacy has sometimes been interrupted by a cough or a sneeze."

The recall of Alcibiades from the command of the Greek forces before Syracuse sprang from chance influences, yet but for that event the Greeks might have overrun and made themselves masters of the whole of Southern Europe, and the Roman Empire might never have been founded. Had not Alexander the Great been interrupted for three days in his march on Persia by a sickness caused by a cold bath in the river Cydnus, he would have encountered with his small army the overwhelming host of the enemy in the plains instead of in the narrow passes of Cilicia, and would probably have been defeated instead of winning a momentous victory.

Of all the marvels which history records none more stagger belief than the paltry causes assigned for some of the bloodiest and most protracted wars which have desolated Europe. Such a cause was the circumstance that in the early history of Rome two friends, M. Livius Drusus and Q. Servilius Cæpio, persisted in bidding against each other at an auction for a curious ring. This caused an irreparable breach in the intimacy of the two friends and kindled between them an enmity that contributed largely in its consequences to the breaking out of a war between Rome and her Italian allies in the course of which 300,000 men perished in battle.

Perfection in the arts depends upon trifles. The final touches of the pencil or chisel determine the character of the painting or the statue. A single line beneath the eyes or in the curve of the lips renders the work of

centuries of war were incurred that desolated France and cost her three millions of men.

A note warning Caesar of the conspiracy against his life was put into his hand by Artemidorus on the fast day of March, but he was prevented from reading it by continual salutes and addresses on his way to the Senate, and he died with the means of saying his life in his hand. The shifting of his tent by Octavius Caesar on the very night when the one he had previously occupied was captured by the forces of Brutus, saved the life of the future emperor and changed the destinies of the world.

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The smallest word has some unguarded spot, and danger lurks in it without a dot. A knot can choke a felon into clay; A knot can save him, spelled without the k.

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How often does a little thing—a look, a lifting of the eyebrow, a quiver of the lip, a telltale blush, a peculiarity in the handwriting—reveal the hidden secrets of the soul? "In what part of the letter did you discover hesitation?" said a diplomatist to Talleyrand. "In the n's and g's," was the reply. Robert Hall, who married a servant-girl, was captivated by the way she put coals on the fire.

How often has the pettiest and apparently most insignificant circumstance subjected a man to unjust suspicions of guilt, or, again, led to the detection of crime! Horne Tooke, when on trial for high treason, said that he was a miserable victim of two prepositions and a conjunction. How often has the watermark in a sheet of paper or parchment exposed a forgery, and the print of a nail or a foot betrayed a thief or a murderer!

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Daily except Monday. Daily except Sunday.

Wilmington and Weldon Railroad, Yadkin Division Main Line—Train leaves Wilmington, 9:00 a. m., arrives Fayetteville 12:05 p. m., leaves Fayetteville 12:25 p. m., arrives Sanford 1:42 p. m., returning leaves Sanford 2:30 p. m., arrives Fayetteville 3:41 p. m., leaves Fayetteville 3:46 p. m., arrives Wilmington 6:40 p. m.

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 5:35 p. m., Maxton 6:15 p. m., arrives Bennettsville 7:15 p. m.

Connections at Fayetteville with train No. 78, at Maxton with the Carolina Central Railroad, at Red Springs with the Red Springs and Bowmore Railroad, at Sanford with the Seaboard Air Line and Southern Railway, at Gulf with the Durham and Charlotte Railroad.

Train on the Scotland Neck Branch Road leaves Weldon 3:55 p. m., Halifax 4:17 p. m., arrives Scotland Neck at 5:08 p. m., Greenville 6:57 p. m., Kingston 7:55 p. m., returning leaves Kingston 7:50 a. m., Greenville 8:52 a. m., arriving Halifax at 11:18 a. m., Weldon 11:33 a. m., daily except Sunday.

Trains on Washington Branch leave Washington 8:10 a. m. and 2:30 p. m., arrive Parlane 9:10 a. m. and 3:00 p. m., returning leave Parlane 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 5:30 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 7:30 a. m., arrives at Goldsboro 9:00 a. m.

Trains on Nashville Branch leave Rocky Mount at 9:30 a. m., 3:40 p. m., arrive Nashville 10:20 a. m., 4:03 p. m., Spring Hope 11:40 a. m., 4:25 p. m., returning leave Spring Hope 11:20 a. m., 4:55 p. m., Nashville 11:45 a. m., 5:25 p. m., arrive at Rocky Mount 12:10 a. m., 6:00 p. m., daily except Sunday.

Train on Clinton Branch leaves Warsaw for all points North daily, 11:40 a. m. and 4:25 p. m., returning leaves Clinton at 6:55 a. m. and 2:50 p. m.

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