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EDITOR'S LEISURE HOURS

Points and Paragraphs of Things Present, Past and Future.

The directors of the State penitentiary have decided to abandon all state farm operations except the uplands on Caledonia farm where the state holds about 4,500 acres.

A number of temperance workers, representatives of the various denominations, met in Raleigh a few days ago and organized what is to be the "Anti-Saloon League of North Carolina."

Article 1. This organization shall be called the North Carolina State Anti-Saloon League.

Article 2. Its purpose is the abolition of the liquor saloon, by any and all proper means, the creation and crystallization of a righteous public sentiment and the proper enforcement of all laws against the liquor traffic.

Article 3. The League pledges itself to maintain a strictly non-partisan attitude and will avoid affiliation with any political party as such.

Article 4. All persons who are willing to subscribe to the purposes and nature of the League are entitled to membership.

Article 5. There shall be three departments of work: 1. Agitation. 2. Legislation. 3. Law Enforcement.

Article 6. The ultimate authority of the Anti-Saloon League shall be vested in a convention of the League.

The men composing this League are determined and zealous. They are well known in the State and are leaders in their denominations. Their chosen motto is: "The Saloon Must Go."

The article elsewhere printed in this issue descriptive of the career of the late James W. Tufts, ought to be suggestive to young men. Sometimes people are inclined to say that the day is passed when young men who enter with nothing but character can become rich or great. It is just as possible now as it ever has been, and the opportunities are just as numerous.

A REMARKABLE CAREER

A Multi-Millionaire Dies in North Carolina.

THE LATE MR. JAS. W. TUFTS. The death of James W. Tufts some ten days ago at Pinehurst, brings his career prominently before the public.

The Observer's Southern Pines correspondent writes as follows: "Mr. Tufts began his business career as clerk in a Boston drug store, during which time he was always punctual, honest and keen to the best interests of his employer, who held the young clerk in the highest esteem."

"It was undoubtedly here that he saw the increasing demand for a more adequate soda fountain, consequently his mechanical and inventive genius asserted itself, the result being the famous Arctic Soda Fountain that one sees in almost every first-class drug store in a city, town or village. Mr. Tufts was enabled to keep the patent completed, under his own management and also controlled the manufacturing of his invention, from the sale of which he said, his fortune amounts to over \$20,000,000. He also established another plant in Boston for the manufacture of silverware and brass.

"In 1895 his attention was called to a sandy section of North Carolina by Rev. B. A. Goodridge, a Unitarian minister of Dorchester, Mass. On the 3rd day of June in the same year he came and stayed five days, buying about 4,000 acres of land to which he had added 2,000 more acres since. He was accompanied on his first trip by President Hubbard, of the Boston Invalid Aid Society, the idea being to find a healthy resort for consumptives who could afford to resort to a better nature's treatment.

"The present site of Pinehurst was chosen and work begun towards erecting a village, the total cost of which has been over a million dollars. Dwelling houses and boarding houses sprang up like mushrooms in a night. The Hollywood Inn was the first hotel built, at a cost of \$125,000. Afterwards there were built the Berkshire, Magnolia, Concord and Pine Grove. Last year there was completed the magnificent hotel called the Carolina, with 300 rooms, at a cost of \$200,000. This year the Harvard was built at a cost of more than \$750,000.

"The present town consists of 200 acres originally fenced in, together with 300 acres of golf links, which are the finest anywhere, a farm, dairy and nursery.

"Although the original idea was to make Pinehurst a resort for consumptives, after one year's trial Mr. Tufts changed his mind and advertised his resort as a retreat for the overworked business man, and for those who wished to escape the severe winters of the North. The result has been that every year he has been compelled to enlarge in order to accommodate the increasing influx of Northern visitors who find in this quiet, balmy Eden all the comforts and conveniences of a modern city; for Pinehurst has electric cars and lights, water and sewerage systems, golf links, parks in which are the deer and different species of fowl with variegated plumage. Shrubbery adorns the grounds and vines trail along the winding roadsides, dotted here and there with fragrant flower beds.

"Mr. Tufts was a thorough business man. Whatever he did was a success due to his sagacity and mental force. The key to his success no doubt was the fact that he was everlastingly at it. During his business career he lived at Medford, Mass., and every morning found him at his office by 7 o'clock, where he worked strictly until late at night. And only the severest heat of summer would call him to Cottage City, where he would spend a few days.

"As a philanthropic man his gifts were mostly private, and numbers of donations came from him of which the general public has no knowledge. He associated himself in this work with the Rev. Edward E. Hale, who was his favorite religious adviser, and who has spent some time at Pinehurst during the last two seasons, as the special guest of Mr. Tufts. Mr. Tufts was a strong believer in the principles of Unitarianism and was an active member and worker with that denomination. He leaves a wife and one son and one daughter, who are both married."

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What Cotton Mills Do.

Wilmington Star. At first sight it might not seem that the farmers are much interested in cotton or any other kind of mills unless they raise the raw material that is consumed by the mills, but as a matter of fact the farmers are more interested in them than any other class of people, with the exception of those who have their money invested in them or depend directly upon them for employment and a livelihood.

According to the report of the State Commissioner of Labor and Printing there are in this State 285 textile mills distributed among 53 out of the 97 counties in the State, and varying from 1 to 26 in a county. They give employment directly to 44,544 persons. The wages paid to this army of employees, many of whom have families, is spent mainly for food raised upon the farms, while all of the raw material consumed except that by the silk mills, and that imported by the woolen mills, is produced upon the farms, and the farmers get the money. They thus supply a home market, near the farmer, for thousands upon thousands of dollars' worth of stuff, for which he would have had no market without them, or which he would have been compelled to sell to some middleman, who shipped to distant markets.

There isn't a farmer within hauling radius of any of these mills who has not been benefited more or less by them, not only in the returns from the produce of various kinds sold to them, but in the enhanced value of the lands, on account of the home market and the number of products that come in demand. They stimulate land improvement, too, better cultivation, more diversification of crops, more attention to stock, dairying, &c., and thus help the farmer in another way. These are some of the reasons why farmers are and should be interested in textile mills and in all manufacturing industries.

Self Reliance. Southern Educational Journal. Henry Ward Beecher used to tell his story of the way in which his teacher of mathematics taught him to depend upon himself:

"I was sent to the blackboard, and went, uncertain, full of whimpering." "That lesson must be learned," said my teacher, in a very quiet tone, but with terrible intensity. All explanations and excuses he trod under foot with utter scornfulness. "I want that problem; I don't want any reasons why you haven't it," he would say. "I did study it two hours."

"That is nothing to me. I want the lesson. You may not study it at all, or you may study it ten hours, just suit yourself. I want the lesson."

"It was tough for a green boy, but I seasoned me. In less than a month I had the most intense sense of intellectual independence and courage to defend my recitations."

"One day his cold, calm voice fell upon me in the midst of a demonstration, 'No!' I hesitated and then went back to the beginning, and on reaching the same point again, 'No!' uttered in a tone of conviction barred by progress."

"The next I and I sat down in red confusion. 'He too, was stopped with 'No!' but went right on, finished and as he sat down was rewarded with 'Very well,' 'Why,' whispered I, 'I recited it just as he did, and you said 'No!'"

"Why didn't you say 'yes,' and stick to it? It is not enough to know your lesson. You must know that you know it. You have learned nothing all you are sure. If all the world says 'No!' your business is to say 'Yes,' and prove it."

The Tadpole. Of course most people know that frogs and toads are evolved from tadpoles, but there are some very strange things about these batrachians that possibly you don't know. Because this changeling is so well known to nearly everybody it may be dismissed by saying that it is born with gills and lives entirely under water until it reaches the transformation period, then lungs appear in place of the gills, the tail drops off, legs sprout out and an animal fitted to live on land is the result.

To Renew the "Old Black Silk" Dress. February Ladies' Home Journal. A few little touches applied with skill will make your "old black silk" quite nice enough for many a day. It will require new sleeves, made bell shape, with embroidered muslin underleaves. Trim the bodice with a small round yoke, a collar, and a ruffle down the front of the embroidered muslin. Outline the yoke with narrow velvet ribbon, and trim the edge of the skirt with the same.

A SPANISH COUNT CURED OF LA GRIPPE.



COUNT SEGUNDO DE OVIES

Count Segundo de Ovies was a Carlist exile. The signature of his uncle, Louis De Ovies, is found with that of John Quincy Adams cooling Florida to the United States in a treaty with Spain. The Count is forty-six years of age, an exile from Orizaba, situated in the northern part of Spain, and has been exiled since 1870; he is wealthy, and has traveled and studied the customs, habits and languages of twenty-five different nations.

AN AWFUL PARODY. The Old Oaken Bucket—A Hygienic View. ABOUT THE LONG AGO.

N. C. Bulletin for January. The truths of science are not often expressed in verse, and this fact serves to emphasize the few instances where rhyme has been employed to convey fact. The following parody on "The Old Oaken Bucket," which is not only amusing, but contains some valuable points in sanitation, is by Dr. J. C. Bayles, formerly President of the New York City Health Board, and was read by him at a meeting of the Academy of Medicine. We quote it from the columns of Engineering News, which says that the sanitary science conveyed in the verses may seem elementary indeed to our readers, yet it needs but the slightest knowledge of conditions about the average farm-house and country village to realize that millions of people are living amid just such unhealthful surroundings in entire ignorance that they have anything to do with causing disease and death. The parody is as follows:

With what anguish of mind I remember my childhood, Recalled in the light of a knowledge since gained; The marlous farm, the wet fungus-grown wildwood, The hills then contracted that since have remained; The scum-covered duck-pond, the pig-sty close by it, The ditch where the sour-smelling house drainage fell, The damp, shaded dwelling, the foul barn-yard night it— But worse than all else was that terrible well, And the old oaken bucket, the mold-crusted bucket, The scum-covered bucket that hung in the well.

Just think of it! Moss on the vessel that lifted The water I drank in the days called to mind; Ere I knew what professors and scientists glibly In the waters of wells by analysis find; The rotting wood fibre, the oxid of iron, The algae, the frog of unusual size, The water, impure as the yesses of Byron, Are things I remember with tears in my eyes.

Standard Time. Youth's Companion. "What time is it?" Few questions are more common than this, and yet each day the United States government goes to a great expense in giving it an official answer. To ascertain the instant when it is noon on the seventy-fifth meridian and to send that information all over the country is a great and a costly task. The astronomical observatory in Washington computes the true time, which is thence transmitted by electricity to every important city and town.

The Doctor in China. Selected. A story is told of a physician in China who had mismanaged a case, whereupon the indignant family seized him and tied him up, but in the night he managed to free himself and escaped by swimming a river, which cut off pursuit. When he reached home, he found his son, who had just begun to study medicine, poring over his books. He wrung out his wet clothes, and, turning to the student, said gravely: "My son, don't be in a hurry with your books; the first and most important thing is to learn to swim."

NEARLY everybody is having la grippe again. It resembles somewhat in the beginning a severe cold. A chill or cold spell is followed by aching bones, sore throat, headache, cough, and general weakness. Its course may be quite slight or severe, but in either case it nearly always leaves one in a miserable condition.

Unless Peruna is taken it will be weeks or months before a person regains his usual health. If the victim is fortunate enough to begin the use of Peruna at the commencement of the attack the course of the grip is much shortened, and the system is left in a natural state.

People who have had la grippe, but are still suffering from the after-effects, should not neglect to take Peruna, as it will promptly restore them to health. Henry Distin, the inventor and maker of all the band instruments of the Henry Distin Manufacturing Co., writes the following from 1441 South Ninth street, Philadelphia, Pa:

"I had a bad attack of la grippe last December which lasted more than three months, and which left me with catarrh, and several of my friends advised me to try Peruna. I began with a bottle the first week in March and it certainly did me a great deal of good. I was so well satisfied that I purchased another bottle and followed the directions, and can say that it has cured me."—Henry Distin.

A large per cent of those who are afflicted with this epidemic, instead of getting well as they ought to, will have chronic catarrh as the result. This is almost invariably the case unless Peruna is taken as soon as possible after the grip begins.

Every one who has observed the effect of Peruna during the last three epidemics of la grippe positively knows that this remedy will cure it permanently. The fact is, however, that a great multitude of people will not take Peruna, and a foundation for chronic catarrh will be laid.

Even in cases where chronic catarrh has affected the lungs, and the early stages of catarrhal consumption have been developed, Peruna can be relied upon as a prompt and lasting cure. La grippe and catarrh are at present the two great enemies of life in the land. Peruna is a cure for either.

If you do not derive prompt and satisfactory results from the use of Peruna, write at once to Dr. Hartman, giving a full statement of your case and he will be pleased to give you his valuable advice gratis.

Address Dr. Hartman, President The Hartman Sanitarium, Columbus, Ohio.

In some cities the wires connect with a time ball which drops with the noon beat. The time ball in Washington over the state, war and navy department building is three feet in diameter and can be seen from all parts of the city. Crowds frequently gather about to see it fall, a distance of 21 feet, high in the air. The man whom some of the spectators suppose to be dropping the ball is merely there to hoist it again to its place.

In the building beneath are 23 clocks which are each day automatically corrected by it. An electrical device "sets" them, placing hour, minute and second hands exactly vertical at the instant the ball drops. The hands that are too fast are pushed back, and those that are slow are thrust forward.

Although Washington is on the seventy-seventh meridian, the noon hour is for convenience computed for the seventy-fifth, the time standard for the eastern part of the United States. In the central belt, which is governed by the ninetieth meridian, the signal from Washington means 11 o'clock, in the Rocky Mountain belt it is 10 o'clock, and on the Pacific coast line it is 9.

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