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NO. 6 SEND YOUR ADVERTISEMENTS IN NOW

## EDITOR'S LEISURE HOURS. OBSERVATIONS OF PASSING EVENTS.

**THE man Utley** who some time ago killed Hollingsworth, clerk in the hotel at Fayetteville, has escaped jail under suspicious circumstances. He was drunk when he killed Hollingsworth. He was tried, found guilty and sentenced to twenty or thirty years in the State's prison. He is worth forty thousand dollars, it is said, and it has been intimated that his money let him out of jail. It demands an investigation which will be made, no doubt. [Since the foregoing was put in type Utley has surrendered and says he escaped jail by his own device.]

It is something unusual to hear of a millionaire spending much time preaching the gospel, but Mr. Charles N. Crittenton, millionaire of New York, has recently held a meeting in Charlotte. His work as an evangelist has been quite successful and his meetings there have attracted considerable attention. The millionaire evangelist has pledged his fortune and his life's work to the memory of his dead daughter, Florence Crittenton. Homes for unfortunate women, to the number of fifty, have been built here and there bearing the name of Florence Crittenton; and it is to this work that Mr. Crittenton is giving great effort. Such a home will be established in Charlotte.

WHILE in Raleigh two weeks ago the editor of THE COMMONWEALTH met Mr. William Henley, of Snow Camp, in Alamance county, who gave a very interesting account of the oldest temperance society in the State. It is called the Pleasant Hill Temperance Society, of the Christian church. It was organized seventy-two years ago and has been kept up as an unbroken organization all these years. Its sole object has been all the while to discourage and suppress as far as possible the manufacture and sale of intoxicating liquors. The society now has a membership of two thousand, mainly of the Christian denomination and the Friends, as well as of other denominations. Annual meetings are held on the Fourth of July at Pleasant Hill Christian church, and also an annual meeting generally at Christmas at Cane Creek Friends church. Representatives of the society were at Raleigh working in the interest of the London bill. They are true temperance reformers and stick to their principles.

THE Nashville American is credited with the statement that Nashville gave free rein to the liquor business and gambling and gained 6 per cent. in population during ten years; while Atlanta regulated the liquor traffic and drove the gamblers out and gained 37 per cent. in population for the same period. This ought to be a pretty good answer to those who say that a town needs open saloons in order to make its business thrive. Persons who observe the effects of dispensaries or prohibition with an unbiased mind give testimony in favor of them. High Point has never had an open liquor saloon and it is one of the most prosperous towns in the State. Gastonia is a prohibition town and it has perhaps outclassed all other towns in the State in general development for the past ten years. In the face of practical illustrations to the opposite it would seem that advocates of the liquor business would adopt some other tactics than arguing for liquor in order to develop a town or community. It is a false proposition and reasonable men ought to so understand it.

THE New York World is credited with effort to raise a fund for assisting in the prosecution of James H. Tillman, the slayer of Editor Gonzales, of Columbia, S. C. Of course the people of the country generally felt greatly outraged at the manner in which Tillman took revenge against his victim in the matter of a personal difference between them. But the difference between Tillman and Editor Gonzales should not concern the New York World any more than any other citizens of the country; and its proposition to raise a fund to assist in the prosecution of the case is a reflection upon the prosecuting officers of the law and the courts in South Carolina. While it may be that the murderer of Editor Gonzales will go without severe punishment—and this seems to be the prevailing opinion—yet South Carolina should be left to work out the case and bear the praise or the opprobrium due the result of the prosecution. The New York World can do South Carolina and Editor Gonzales' friends better service by leaving the whole matter alone than by raising its proposed fund to aid in the prosecution.

THE Southern Farm Magazine of Baltimore has compiled from official reports of the government the statistics of grain crops of the South in 1902. The total values are as follows: Corn 502,487,609 bushels, value \$276,553,894; wheat 48,872,127 bushels, value \$38,069,619; rye 1,352,892 bushels, value \$975,514; oats 56,178,672 bushels, value \$26,252,265. In addition to grain, the South raised 21,897,555 bushels of Irish potatoes, valued at \$1,116,169, 3,905,423 tons of hay, valued at \$16,734,706, and 630,258,898 pounds of tobacco, valued at \$68,843,025. The total for these three items added to the total for grain makes \$466,545,192, or approximately about one-half of the total value of the agricultural products of the South. In this report no mention is made of the cotton crop, of sweet potatoes—the yield of which in the South is much larger than the yield of Irish potatoes—of sugar, rice and fruit crops. These figures show that the grain crop of the South—corn, wheat, oats and rye—is about the same in value as an average cotton crop, but the growth of diversified farming in the South promises within a few years to make the value of these crops much larger than that of cotton.

**Needed More at Home.**  
Augusta Herald.  
What is most sadly needed in the curriculum of all our schools is a course in courtesy, and it should be begun in the kindergarten and extended through the senior year at college. It is impossible to tell in which class it is most important. Well-bred men and women are almost invariably those who had politeness taught them with their alphabets, and the early training is absolutely essential for perfect ease and grace of bearing, but it is equally as necessary that the training should be kept up. Many a careful mother who has enjoyed the great satisfaction of seeing her son grow up under her watchful eye into the semblance of a thorough gentleman has had all her fond illusions dispelled when this same son has returned home after a four years' absence at college, exhibiting manners not only inelegant, but positively boorish in their selfish indifference to other people's feelings and his own self-respect. Education is progressing along most lines, but in this special direction it seems to be going backward, for deportment was one of the branches taught when our grandparents went to school, and until deportment is taught again we can never hope to have modern society adorned with the flowers of courtesy that made social intercourse a fine art in the centuries gone by.

**Occupations of Women.**  
Philadelphia Tel. graph.  
Miss Estelle Reel is Federal Superintendent of Indian Schools, and has probably the most important and the highest salaried office of any woman in the government employ.

Mrs. Laura B. Alderman is a successful apple grower in Northern Dakota. When she started her orchards the neighbors all prophesied failure. But her apples now have a reputation of their own.

A Chicago girl, Miss Elinor C. Clapp, has won reputation as a designer of odd jewelry. An apt student of arts and crafts, she creates distinctive effects with metals and the semi-precious stones for material. Her work is so much admired that many have sought to imitate it, but with indifferent success.

Mrs. Ida Belmer Camp, botanist and horticulturist, does a profitable business in cactus growing. She has at her green-houses at Caro, Mich., the largest collection of cacti in the country. By judicious grafting she has produced novel varieties, which sell to American and foreign growers. She employs collectors in regions where the cactus grows wild to secure rare specimens for propagation.

### "Purty" Well Paid.

"When I was a young chap," said Major Charles Dick, who intends to be the next Republican candidate for Governor in Ohio if he can, "I got a lesson that has kept me humble ever since. I was studying law in an office, and as was the custom in those days, I was getting nothing for my time except the opportunity to associate with the lawyers in the office and to try a few minor cases in the petty courts."

"I tried a case one day, and I suppose I put on a bit. At any rate an old man who had been sitting in the court room came to me after the trial and said, 'Charley, how much te ye makin' now?'"

"I told him I was a student and was getting nothing just then."

"'Huh!' he said, turning away. 'It strikes me yer purty well paid!'"

### Proof Not to be Controverted.

Here is a "good one" about a bishop of the Episcopal church. Having asserted in the most positive manner that society was gaining in morality, he was asked to give the grounds of his belief. "My grounds for the belief cannot be controverted," he said. "I have personal knowledge of six borrowed umbrellas having been returned to their owners."

### A MOTHER'S RECOMMENDATION

I have used Chamberlain's Cough Remedy for a number of years and have no hesitancy in saying that it is the best remedy for coughs, colds and croup I have ever used in my family. I have not words to express my confidence in this remedy.—Mrs. J. A. Moore, North Star, Mich. For sale by E. T. Whitehead & Co., Scotland Neck, N. C., and Leggett's Drug Store, Hobgood, N. C.

## A SPANISH COUNT CURED OF LA GRIPPE.



Count Segundo de Ovies was a Carlist exile. The signature of his uncle, Louis de Ovies, is found with that of John Quincy Adams ceding 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 1876; he is wealthy, and has traveled and studied the customs, habits and languages of twenty-five different nations.

In a recent letter to The Peruna Medicine Co., of Columbus, Ohio, the Count gives his endorsement to their great catarrh remedy, Peruna, in the following words:

**The Canfield, Atlantic City, N. J.**  
**The Peruna Medicine Co., Columbus, Ohio:**  
Gentlemen—"Last winter my secretary had a severe attack of la grippe which was cured effectually by the use of four bottles of Peruna, so when I contracted the same unpleasant sickness last fall I at once sent for a bottle. It truly worked wonders, and removed the sickening and sore feeling I had within a few days. I would not be without it now for any money, and when I go away I carry Peruna as a valuable requisite to my traveling outfit."—JULIAN SEGUNDO, CONDE DE OVIES.

### NOTHING AND SOMETHING.

"It's nothing to me," the beauty said, With a careless toss of her pretty head, "The man is weak if he can't refrain From the cup you say is wrought with pain."

It was something to her in after years When her eyes were drenched with burning tears, And she watched in lonely grief and dread, And started to hear a staggering tread, "It's nothing to me," the mother said, "I have no fears that my boy will tread The downward path of sin and shame, And crush my heart and darken my name."

It was something to her when her only son From the path of life was early won, And madly cast in the flowing bowl A ruined body and a shipwrecked soul. "It's nothing to me," the merchant said, As over the ledger he bent his head; "I'm busy to-day with the tare and tret And have no time to fume and fret."

It was something to him when over the wire A message came from a funeral pyre— A drunken conductor had wrecked a train And his wife and children were among the slain.

"It's nothing to me," the young man cried; In his eyes was a flash of scorn and pride— "I heed not the dreadful things you tell, I can rule myself, I know full well."

'Twas something to him when in prison he lay, The victim of drink—life ebbing away, As he thought of his wretched child and wife, And the mournful wreck of his wasted life. "It's nothing to me," the voter said, "The party's loss is my greatest dread." Then he gave his vote for the liquor trade.

Probably your physician has told you that rheumatism is incurable. Discoveries are being made in medicine as well as in other things. Rheumatism is a discovery. It positively cures rheumatism. At druggists.

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 1411 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, O.

### Fresh Air or Fuel.

One reason for the rugged health and long life of the people who live in the mountain districts, unquestionably is the supply of pure and fresh air which they get all the winter through the comparatively loose construction of their houses and the open fires or stoves, which maintain a constant rush of fresh oxygen from the outside. The drafts and chills of which we complain so bitterly in the Southern houses, and especially those in the country, represent months and years of life and health for us. If the catarrh has brought people at the North the value of fresh air and the possibility of sleeping and living in something like natural temperature, it will result in the diminution of consumption statistics, besides cutting down the coal bills and increasing the opportunities for family savings.

### Extravagant.

"There was a young man in Michigan," said a United States Senator, "who was deeply enamored of a beautiful young lady in my town. He lived in Detroit and one day decided that the only thing for him to do was to propose. So he went to the telegraph office and sent this message: 'Will you marry me? Twenty word answer paid for.' 'An hour later he received this reply: 'You are extravagant. Why pay for nineteen words too many?' No!"

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