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EDITOR'S LEISURE HOURS.

OBSERVATIONS OF PASSING EVENTS.

THE CROATAN INDIANS in Robeson county are a distinct race of their own, and in the new jail which is to be built at Lumberton there will be different apartments for the three races—whites, Croatans and negroes. The new jail will be the largest county prison in the State, will be three stories high, heated by steam and modern in every respect. This will be the first time, says the Charlotte Observer, that the Croatans have been respected in their wish for separation from the negroes. Says our contemporary: "The Croatans, like full-blood Indians, consider themselves greatly above the colored people. In Robeson county are practically all of the Croatan Indians, numbering several hundred. They live to themselves and have their own towns."

IT HAS BEEN GIVEN OUT THAT IN 1885 the value of the goat skins imported in this country was about four million dollars; in 1890 it was nine millions; in 1898 it was fifteen millions; in 1903 it will be in round numbers twenty-five millions. These large importations of goat skins, chiefly from China, India, Arabia and southeastern Russia, are the result of an increasing demand for certain kinds of kid leather for foot wear and gloves. It is observed by some one who has made some study of the subject that the farmers of the United States are making little or no effort to supply these demands at home. Really it would seem an easy thing to make large fortunes by raising goats if there is any demand for even the skins, as they are proverbially self-supporting as long as there are pine bushes in the woods or old tin cans lying about the premises. But now seriously, it does seem a pity that this country cannot supply its own goat skins and save that twenty-five million dollars.

MR. R. DON LAWS publishes a wonderful paper at Moravian Falls, it seems, and the Charlotte Observer makes reference to it as follows: "We have told aforesaid of The Yellow Jacket, a remarkable little semi-monthly Republican paper, published at Moravian Falls, Wilkes county, by R. Don Laws. It has a circulation of 60,000, in every State and Territory, uses three large presses, is about putting in a linotype machine, and carries no advertisements for the reason that advertisers will not pay the rate of \$500 per column. It employs fifteen people, ten of whom Mr. Laws carried last week to the Greensboro Fair, and whose names The Telegram gives as follows: L. B. Laws, Harrison Crouch, Jas. L. Pearson, Barney Laws, Dora Laws, Ione Crouch, Lois Parlier, Ada Wallace, Texie Hendren and Judy May Sloope. The Observer embraces the opportunity to make its manners to Miss Judy May Sloope, and to invite her down to the Mecklenburg Fair and bring her name with her."

PRESIDENT CHARLES F. THEVING, of the Western Reserve University and the Adelbert College, contributes an interesting paper to the October number of the North American Review on college training for the business man. The main trend of the argument is that a college training is good for all business men. He admits that sometimes when the young man starts to college, say at eighteen, and his peer starts to business without the college training, the latter for the first ten or twenty years may seem to outstrip the former in life's race, but he says that before they both reach their three score years and ten the college trained man will have the advantage and get much more out of life. President Theving admits that certain boys should not go to college. We quote him on the boys referred to. He says: "Boys who dislike study should not go, for they are in peril of becoming social rebels and pessimists. Boys who cannot bear freedom should not go, for they are in peril of becoming slaves to unworthy habits. Boys who are lazy should not go, for they are in peril of adopting a soft, luxurious life, which it is difficult to throw off and which ill becomes the hard worker of the workaday world of the new America."

Few men who have entered public life in any of the States have become so prominent in so short a time as Joseph W. Folk, the circuit attorney of St. Louis. He was a modest, unassuming young lawyer, brilliant and brainy withal; and when asked to assume the duties of the office which he now holds in St. Louis, he would accept only on condition not to be hampered by party lines or prejudices. It has been stated that one of his first acts as the city's official was to bring to justice and punishment a Democrat, though Mr. Folk was himself elected to his office as a Democrat. He has literally "cleared up" the city and has made a reputation second to no man of his time. His name is being discussed as the possible and probable Governor of his State, and if he is nominated he will surely be elected. A correspondent in a recent issue of Harper's Weekly wrote thus: "The more one learns about Mr. Folk the greater he grows. From positive obscurity of a couple of years ago his name is now known in every 'nook and cranny' of this big country, because he has accomplished the seeming impossible. He has purified, single-handed and alone, an American municipality; his latest utterance breathes forth a spirit that is more refreshing than comes to you from the broad Atlantic." Then the writer cites some of Mr. Folk's utterances. Among them are these: "The official who would betray his trust would sell his country if he could." "No State or nation can be injured by getting rid of physical or moral filth." "The greatest enemies of the republic to-day are the givers and takers of bribes." "No more serious question confronts the American people than the eradication of bribery." Mr. Folk is an interesting man per se because of his progressive work in cleansing a great municipality of its corruption from bribery and other evils; but he is especially interesting to the people of North Carolina because he is a grandson of North Carolina. If we are quite correct his father is a grandson of Bertie county. He is interesting to the editor of THE COMMONWEALTH in a three-fold degree: He is a man of character who stands by his convictions, he is a grandson of North Carolina, and his brother was one of our best and closest friends when we were class-mates together at Wake Forest College.

The Difference.

When we consider the energy and ability pained by it, and how many bright young lives become failures by fearing to attempt, we wish the words "I can't," and "impossible" were eliminated from the language of the young, at least. Because the road is rough and toilsome, and the labor harsh and vexing, it is well to falter when the prize is well worth the struggle? The crown of victory is reserved for those who strive, and however accident may seem to elevate another, there is no royal road to fortune or to fame. The victories worth having are rarely won by the "I can't's," on the lips of the young, no words sound so miserable as the shrillings that betrays the coward's spirit. Seek not to do beyond your strength, but, having measured your means and faculties, consider if you can afford to fail. Accept the fullest measure of toil, and struggle bravely toward the top. Remember that your burden bearing will give you strength, if you carry the load aright. My dear boys, you cannot afford to be cowardly. My dear girls, your motto in life should be to succeed "out the idea if you please it is 'not our stars, but ourselves that are to blame, if we are underlings.' Climb. Achieve. Fall, if you must fall, with your hands reaching upward. A determination to succeed, and a persistent effort toward success, have made more than one name immortal. Do not acknowledge defeat.

A Strange House Pet.

In tropical countries it has long been customary to have a pet snake to keep the house free from rats and mice and the Washington Post says that the practice has been introduced into this country. One dealer in birds and animals particularly recommends purchasing a Mexican bull snake. These, he explains, differ from the Florida variety in being a light yellow whereas the latter are coal black. These snakes are non-poisonous, and are far superior to cats as vermin exterminators. You can get one of them into a house or barn overnight with rat-mice, cockroaches and the like, and in a remarkably short time the place will be rid of them. All that is necessary when winter comes is to provide a warm place for them to crawl into and hibernate until spring. They have become quite popular in Washington, and many people are keeping them about their barns and stores in place of lazy, overfed and in different cats. The repugnance that everyone feels for a snake soon passes away when they have a reptile that is perfectly harmless, that can be trained to answer a call or whistle, and that will eat out of a dish when vermin becomes scarce and he has nothing to prey upon.

Both Sides of the Counter.

A clerk in a large department store had rendered very efficient service to two lady shoppers, giving them genuine interest, the advantage of his experience in purchases somewhat out of his particular line he was handling, and taking the trouble to obtain needed information for them. They thanked him as they departed—one of them by a slight nod, the other very heartily. "He has saved us a great deal of useless running about," said the latter to her friend. "He was so courteous and helpful." "Of course," said the other, with an amused look. "Why, my dear, that is what he is here for; it is his business, and he is paid for it." She seemed to feel that the salary heaped upon him was not too high, and it is to be feared, from the ungracious manner of many who demand and receive attention from clerks and public employees generally, that her view is widespread. It is the business of the latter to be courteous and helpful, certainly, but it is quite as much the business of the rest of us to be the same. It is what we all are here for, no matter who pays the weekly wage.

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Saturday Evening Post.

Are you a trailer, or are you a trolly? Are you tagged to a leader through wisdom and folly? Are you Somebody Else, or You? Do you vote by the symbol and swallow it "straight"? Do you pray by the book, do you pay by the rate? Do you like your cravat by the calendar's date? Do you follow a cue? Are you a being and boss of your soul, or are you a mummy to carry a scroll? Are you Somebody Else, or You? When you finally pass to the heavenly wicket, Where Peter the Scrutinious stands at his picket, Are you going to give him a blank for a ticket? Do you think it will do?

Women Buyers.

It is noted that among the great army of buyers thronging the city fall ten per cent. are women. Of these some are so employed because of a natural aptitude and early acquired familiarity with the trade they represent, as millinery, corset, dress goods, etc. But there is a noticeable and remarkable increase within this generation of women buyers to whom is entrusted the purchase of entire stocks of goods. There are numbers of them in the department stores with salaries deemed preposterous twenty years ago. They have made themselves invaluable by an application to the demands of their positions of the intuition born in them, the sense of foresight which reveals to the mind's eye today the particular style of goods which fashion will call for a year hence. The buyer is so important to the business house as frequently to gain partnership honors as a reward of merit. The managing partner of Boston's largest department store, once a cash boy, "arrived" because of his skill in buying the firm's silks. Has any woman so risen? A cash girl has become a buyer, but not yet, so far as is known, a partner. This is an advance she may require another decade to make.

A Tar Heel Exhibit for the St. Louis Fair.

When Columbus discovered America there stood in a remote mountain gorge in Cherokee county, North Carolina, a tulip poplar tree that was then 400 years old. For four more centuries it grew and flourished, and was recently felled for exhibition at the St. Louis World's Fair. The tree was thirteen feet in diameter at the base when it was cut. The gorge in which it grew was so inaccessible, being forty miles from a railroad, that it was impracticable to obtain a section near the base. Forty feet up, where the tree was a little more than six feet in diameter, a disk was cut. This has been polished, and will occupy a place in front of the hunter's lodge. On the polished disk have been engraved the important historical events of the Old North State from the time that Sir Walter Raleigh took possession of the land in his sovereign's name on July 4, 1584, through the Colonial days, during the Revolution, and up to the present time. Another section of the tree will stand like a monument in the forestry exhibit. It is ten feet high. A portion has been dressed, polished and varnished, while the lower portion is covered with the bark.

BROKE INTO HIS HOUSE.

S. LeQuin, of Cavendish, Vt., was robbed of his customary health by invasion of chronic constipation. When Dr. King's New Life Pills broke into his house, his trouble was arrested and now he is entirely cured. They are guaranteed to cure. 25c at E. T. Whitehead & Co.'s drug store.

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Willingness.

Christian Work.

Two housekeepers were talking on that subject of unflinching interest—servants.

"Mary is far from perfect," said one, "but I would not part with her for a great deal, for she is so willing, and that covers a multitude of sins."

"Indeed it does," replied the other, "and I am inclined to think it more important than anything else, that a servant be willing—willing to do and not to do. I have a cook who insists upon doing things that she cannot do well and that I have asked her not to attempt. As a consequence there is constant trouble, and I fear I will have to discharge her just on this account."

The words lingered—"Willing to do and willing not to do." Is it not rare to find such a person in any station of life?

Willing to do our duty, however distasteful it may be, and willing also to give up the work for which we are unfitted, the position which we should enjoy but which some one else would fill more acceptably, the outside pleasures which can only be enjoyed by neglecting home duties—such willingness is a valuable characteristic in any one, and, fortunately, it is one of the things that can be cultivated. We can not all be quick or bright or capable or efficient or intellectual or talented, but it lies in the power of every one of us to be willing.

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Lockjaw or tetanus, is caused by a bacillus or germ which exists plentifully in street dirt. It is inactive so long as exposed to the air, but when carried beneath the skin, as in the wounds caused by percussion caps or by rusty nails, and when the air is excluded the germ is roused to activity and produces the most virulent poison known. These germs may be destroyed and all danger of lockjaw avoided by applying Chamberlain's Pain Balm freely as soon as the injury is received. Pain Balm is an antiseptic and causes cuts, bruises and like injuries to heal without maturation and in one-third of the time required by the usual treatment. It is for sale by E. T. Whitehead & Co., Scotland Neck, and Leggett's Drug Store, Hubgood.

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