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## EDITOR'S LEISURE HOURS.

### OBSERVATIONS OF PASSING EVENTS.

#### Governor Aycock's Speech.

At the State Democratic convention in Greensboro last week Governor Aycock made a great speech in which he reviewed the State's development under his administration. We have not space to give it all, but quote the following from his speech on the Watts law:

"The problem of dealing with the liquor traffic is admittedly the most difficult one which confronts the government. It has to deal with the appetites of men and in a free government where the people rule, any legislation tending to check the manufacture and sale of liquor is compelled to run counter to the great principle of non-interference with the personal habits of the individual. A Democratic government therefore is always loath to deal with this problem and never does so except when public opinion has reached the point at which it becomes necessary to put that public opinion into legislation. The last Legislature, guided by this rule and fully recognizing its obligation within the limits of the Constitution to respond to popular demand, adopted what is known as the Watts law. That statute met with much criticism and much praise. It proceeded along lines well established in this State. For more than twenty years each succeeding Legislature has adopted a bill prohibiting the manufacture and sale of liquor within a given number of miles of various churches and school houses. The number of such places in which the manufacture and sale of liquor has heretofore been prohibited runs up into the thousands. It is perhaps not too much to say that by means of these various acts, liquor could neither be manufactured nor sold in nine-tenths of the territory of the State. I recall one whole county that was made a prohibition county by the simple device of prohibiting the manufacture and sale of liquor within a certain number of miles of the various churches and school houses in the county. The Legislature of 1903 finding nine-tenths of the territory of the State 'dry' decided to take direct steps to drive the manufacture and sale of liquor out of the State except in incorporated towns, readily concluded that what nine-tenths of the State already enjoyed and demanded, was good for the other tenth. It wisely considered that the appetites of men not being under the control of legislation, they would obtain liquor to a more or less extent. It therefore provided that liquor could be manufactured and sold in the towns, but even here it could only be done by permission of the people of the towns. The main reason, however, for the passage of the Watts law, and the reason which ought to satisfy and will finally satisfy every right-thinking man, was that the manufacture and sale of liquor in the country was a constant menace to the peace, quiet and good order of the country. The towns and cities maintain a police force and thus are enabled to restrain and lessen the evils flowing from drunkenness. There is no police force in the country and the State is not prepared to maintain one. There is no greater menace to the quiet and good order of any country community than a whiskey still and a bar room. No man will deny this.

"We have entered upon an educational awakening in this State which is seeking not only to open the door of the school house to every child but to persuade and influence every child to enter that school house. There are men who have seen a school flourish in a town close by a bar room or a still, but no man has ever yet seen a school grow up and prosper by the side of a bar room or whiskey still in the country. The Legislature, therefore, was confronted with the question whether they should open and maintain school houses in the country for children, or whiskey stills and bar rooms for the men. The Legislature made its choice and the people will ratify it at the polls. In my judgment this act is one of the best ever passed by any Legislature. The conditions justified it. The demands of the people required it and the results have proven beneficial. With the passing of the years it will be found to have been a most effective agency in the cause of temperance."

Governor Aycock closed his great speech as follows:  
"There are those who say that we ought to have two parties in the State. The time may come when this will be true. It will certainly come if the party in power proves unfaithful to its trust and becomes corrupt or inefficient; but for the present, with an honest and courageous administration of the laws, with a constant thought for the needs of the weak, with a due respect for the rights of the strong, with an earnest endeavor to serve all in the uplifting of the whole State—the Democratic party is alone sufficient. We need a united people. We need the combined effort of every North Carolinian. We need the strength which comes from believing alike. But I am no advocate of compelling belief. I would not check freedom of speech. I would set no limit to the utterances of the press, save the limit which the law always sets, that of speaking the truth. But, having spoken the truth, having printed the truth, I would have all our people to believe in the possibilities of North Carolina; in the strength of her men; the purity of her women, and their ability to accomplish as much as can be done anywhere on the earth by any people. I would have them to become dissatisfied with small things; to be anxious for higher and better things; to yearn after real greatness; to seek after knowledge; to do the right thing in order that they may be what they ought. I would have the strong to bear the burdens of the weak and to lift up the weak and make them strong—teaching men everywhere that real strength consists not in serving ourselves, but in doing for others. I see the day coming when this State shall sit down at the common table of the Union an equal sister with all the others gathered there—equal in wealth; equal in high performance; equal in noble ideals. Nothing short of this ought to satisfy us and to attain this let us ever hope.

"I thank you, gentlemen of the convention, for the courtesy you have extended me in permitting me to say these things. I know that the choice which you shall make to-day will be a worthy one. The State will be in good hands and I shall return to the life of a private citizen forever grateful to the people of this State for the honor which they have done me and for the considerate courtesy which they have ever shown me."

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### A GOOD EDUCATOR.

#### Its Editor Bears Great Responsibility

Wilmington Messenger.  
We have had occasion several times of late to refer to the increase in the number of new country newspapers and the improvements on the ones already established. It always gives us pleasure to note this progress. It is an evidence of the advancement of education in the rural districts and a greater demand among the country people for touch with the outside world. The advance along this line continues, we are glad to note. New weekly papers are constantly springing up, and many that heretofore were published only once a week now see their way to giving their subscribers two issues a week. This is encouraging and a source of gratification to those who are interested in the all-round education of the people of rural districts and dissemination of general knowledge among them.

There is no better educator of this sturdy class of our population than clean, well edited country papers. Wherever you see such papers making a success you can set it down as a self-evident proposition that there is an improvement in both the worldly goods and in the matter of education in the people within the territory of the circulation of that paper. No man in North Carolina is able to publish a newspaper, whether a daily or weekly, "for the fun of it." In order to keep his paper afloat he must have the financial as well as the moral support of the territory in which his paper circulates or should circulate. And when you see an editor widening out in his business, either in increase of the volume of reading matter or in the number of issues per week you may set it down as a fact that his work is meeting with the appreciation of his people and that he is receiving their substantial support.

The country paper should go into every home in the sphere of influence of that paper. There is no better educator in the land. It is as good as the common school or the country academy. Many a man has made his mark in North Carolina who learned to read by diligent study of his county newspaper. It has been said that the schoolmaster is a power in the land. The editor of a clean, up-to-date country newspaper can wield more influence and do more for the education of the country people than can the rural common school teacher. Such an editor instructs the old as well as the young. He gives information and instruction to the heads of the family on the farm and inspires them with a desire for greater information and wider instruction as well as to the children, while the school teacher can hope to reach only the young and the unemployed on the farm.

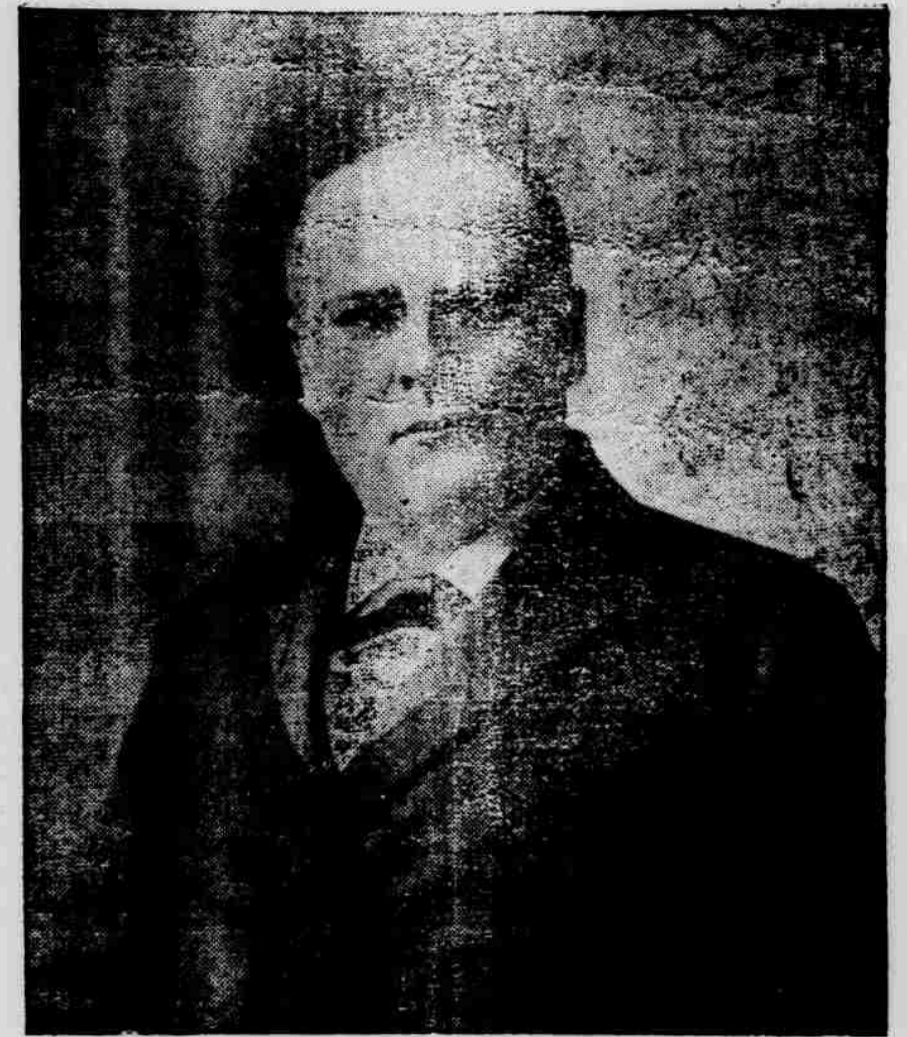
A great responsibility rests with the editor of the county newspaper. He is more than a purveyor of the local gossip. He is, or should be, an educator of the old as well as of the young, a leader of thought and a moulder of public opinion among the sovereigns of the land. He can do his State great good or work immense evil, as he is inclined. But to the honor of the county newspapers of our State, be it said, he is universally interested in the cause of the former. The daily papers of the big cities have no such influence as do the county papers. The editors of the latter should recognize their responsibility to the people and should act up to it. We are glad to record the fact that most of those whose papers come to this office recognize the responsibility and do their duty to their subscribers and their communities. The county newspaper in North Carolina is doing a great work and we honor and respect the men who shape their course and govern their policy.

#### A Long Lived Pike.

London Standard.  
In the museum at Mannheim was a skeleton of a pike which measured nineteen feet and had a ring around it with this inscription in Greek: "I am the fish which was first of all put into the lake by the hands of the governor of the universe, Frederick II., the 5th of October, 1230." The fish, having been caught in 1497, was 267 years old.

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## Observations of Rev. Gabe Tucker.

North Carolina Baptist.  
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To make your judgment by de cloe's dat kivers up a man;  
For I hardy needs to tell you how you often comes across  
A fifty dollar saddle on a twenty dollar hoss.  
An', walkin' in de low groun's, you dis-kiver, as you go,  
Dat de fines' shuck may hide de meane's nubbins in a row!  
I think a man has got a mighty slender chance for heben  
Dat holds on to his piety but one day out o' seven;  
Dat talks about de sinners wid a heep o' solemn chat,  
An' nether draps a nickle in de mis-sionary hat;  
Dat foregoes in de meetin' house for raisin' all de chunes,  
But lays aside his 'ligin wid his Sunday pantaloons!  
I nether judge o' people dat I meets eriong de way  
By de places whar dey come fum an' de houses whar dey stay;  
For de bantam chicken's awful fond o' roostin' pretty high,  
An' de turkey-buzzard sails above de eagle in de sky;  
Dey ketches little minners in de middle ob de see,  
An' you finds de smalles' 'possum up de bigges' kind o' tree!  
—J. A. Macon.

## Hold's Body Nine Years.

Selected.  
A man who is believed to have belonged to a noble English family died from exposure in Wayne nine years ago and his body still lies unclaimed in the morgue of S. P. Frankfield's Sons, says a dispatch from Ardmore, Pennsylvania.  
Mack was employed for several years by R. H. Johnson, a contractor of Wayne. He was a man of education and culture, and, according to rumor, was the heir to a British title which, for some mysterious reason, he would not or could not claim.  
When the man died J. S. Pearce, at that time an undertaker, but who has since retired, embalmed the body and decided to hold it until it should be claimed. No one ever claimed it, and, as the embalming was unusually successful, a number of efforts have been made by museums to purchase the body, but Mr. Pearce says he will not surrender it except to some member of Mack's family.

The body has been viewed by thousands of people, many of them Englishmen, who hoped to identify it. The skin retains its natural color, and the sandy mustache and hair remain as in life. The nose has become unusually sharp from having been pinched by people who doubted if the man was really dead. Over the head of the mummy a cuckoo clock is kept going to keep him from getting lonesome.  
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Lippincott's Magazine.  
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Jones: You are looking fatter, old boy, than when I saw you last, Smith? Yes, my wife's literary club has disbanded. But you're thin. What's up? Jones: My wife's cooking school class hasn't disbanded.—New York Herald.

### SUED BY HIS DOCTOR.

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