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OBSERVATIONS OF PASSING EVENTS.

VERY little is known by the average citizen of the State about North Carolina's precious metals. While we have not at hand any definite statistics concerning such outputs in the State, the following from the Wilmington Messenger of 5th is interesting: "North Carolina shows up pretty well among the southern states in the production of the precious metals for last year. She comes second in the production of gold, South Carolina leading; and also second in the number of ounces of silver mined. But for the shutting down of some of her gold mines for installing improved machinery and for other repairs she would no doubt have headed the list in the production of this metal."

The Charlotte Observer makes the following pointed claim for education in a single paragraph, which contains much that is not expressed: "The Creator has endowed man with very little force as compared with the forces of nature. It's very little that man can do by the forces of his physical powers. But man has been endowed with a mental force by means of which he can harness the great natural forces of the streams, the coal mines, electricity, the air and even of a something we call ether, in which wireless messages are transmitted. Therefore if it is desired to train the youth to accomplish the best results it is important to train the mind. Education should be the watch word. A knowledge of the natural forces and the ability to turn them to useful work is all dependent upon the trained mind, viz: education."

FROM time to time some of our wise and studiously inclined contemporaries, notably the Greenville Reflector, the Gastonia Gazette, the Charlotte Observer, the Norfolk Landmark, and some others, propose to solve some very hard questions—such as why a rabbit wabbles his nose? Now, THE COMMONWEALTH has a question of some importance to propound to those who can answer it, for not infrequently it involves that which grates on sensitive nerves. The question is this: Why does a dog howl? Dogs howl under varied and different circumstances and seemingly from different impulses. For instance, when a dog gets left or lost he frequently howls, and we conclude that he does so because of sorrow or loneliness; but what impulse is it which causes a dog to howl when you blow a whistle, sound a flute or horn? Does he howl from sorrow or joy? Or is it because it grates upon his nerves?

FREQUENT reference is made in the prints about the growing importance of the cotton plant. It has not been many years since cotton seed were not regarded as of any real value. They were frequently dumped out in the field where they were allowed to rot without any note of their value. Now and then people would give a few seed to milk cows, work oxen and the like, but they had no idea what values were attached to the cotton seed in oil and fertilizer. Now, cotton seed are of great value, as every one knows, and every farmer is just as particular with his seed as he is with his cotton. It is about to develop that the cotton stalks are also valuable for making fibres for coarse bagging and the like. The News and Observer of the 6th said: "W. H. Croli, a paper manufacturer located at Pin Mountain, Ga., writes the Manufacturers' Record regarding the process and states that he will endeavor to organize a company with sufficient capital to build about 100 miles in the South of 25 tons capacity, each to manufacture the new fibre and thus furnish a market for what has heretofore been a waste product."

MR. THOS. J. PENCE, the able Washington correspondent to the News and Observer, recently wrote that paper as follows concerning the temperance situation in North Carolina: "The annual report of the commissioner of Internal Revenue, which has just been made public, shows in a very striking way the growth of the temperance movement in North Carolina, and makes clear the fact also that the business of that branch of the government is steadily decreasing in Tar Heeldom, as the result of the operation of the Watts law. The report which is for the fiscal year ending June 30th, 1905, shows that there are only 724 saloons in the State as compared with a total of 1,185 two years ago, when the Watts law went into operation. Last year license was issued to 817 retail liquor dealers, a decline of nearly 100 in the fiscal year just ending. Two years ago there were 40 rectifiers doing business in the State. Today there are only 27. The wholesale liquor dealers have declined numerically from 52 to 39. Even more interesting than these figures is the showing made in the matter of grain distilleries. Two years ago North Carolina had more of these institutions in operation within her borders than any other State in the Union. The number registered then was 425 and today there are only 66 with 37 in actual operation. The fruit distillery business, which is even now larger than that of any other State in the Union, has not been hit so hard. Two years ago the number of fruit stills at work was 441, while today the number registered is 326, and those in operation number 298. The total number of distilleries in the State when the Watts law went into operation was 869 as compared with 392 at the present time, and while this is a remarkable shrinkage in the so-called industry, North Carolina still has more registered distilleries than any other State. This of course includes the large number of fruit distilleries."

FURIOUS FIGHTING.
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STABILITY FOR BREEDERS.

The Outlook Good for the Raiser of Pure Bred Live Stock—Boom Prices.

There is a feeling among breeders of pure bred live stock that the business is on a firm basis, and that it will continue to be so for some time to come. Those familiar with the situation agree that the breeder has good reason to look forward to the future, and expect lucrative returns for the capital his business commands, the time required for successful results and the necessary skill and patience demanded for the production of salable live stock.

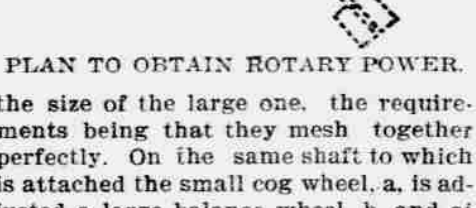
Good values at fair figures and an absence of "boom" prices is a combination of conditions that inspires careful observers with hope for the future. The reaction resulting from some of the inflated high prices of three and four years ago has nearly passed. With business on the upward trend confidence fills the heart of the breeder. Record breaking prices will appeal to the spectacular loving public, but in the opinion of the Prairie Farmer, "boom" values strike consternation to the conservative business sense of the breeder. Men who are breeding, growing and finishing first-class, pure bred stock should get good prices, but when the values reach that point where the plunger and simon-pure speculator are encouraged, it has been the history of the business that these characters leave a trail of wreck and ruin in their wake that injures commercial prospects and casts a forbidding gloom of distrust over the whole live stock business.

With good crops insuring money to spend, a liberal supply of good desirable pure bred individuals, an inclination to buy on the merits of the animal rather than the often misleading fallacies of pedigree, and a disposition of many buyers to purchase a limited number of animals of character and quality for the improvement of their herds, droves and flocks is evidence that the actual business commercial prospects and cast a forbidding gloom of distrust over the whole live stock business.

BUTTERMAKING MADE EASY

How Rigging May Be Attached to the Windmill and Made to Do the Light Work.

If you are willing to let the wind do all or most of your little chore work in the way of running the washing machine, churn, corn sheller, grindstone, bone cutter and other small machinery about the place, I will tell you how it may be done, says a Nebraska correspondent of the Farm and Home. You can rig up on the pump rod of your windmill an arrangement such as is shown in the cut that will give you a rotary power.



PLAN TO OBTAIN ROTARY POWER.
The size of the large one, the requirements being that they mesh together perfectly. On the same shaft to which is attached the small cog wheel, a is adjusted a large balance wheel, b, and at suitable point at either end or center a small pulley, c, is attached, upon which to run the driving belt.

SKIMMINGS.
Get quality of milk by breeding, and quantity by feeding. Buckwheat in any form is the poorest butter feed.—Farm Journal.

Discomfort or fright will take butter fat right out of the milk of any cow. If they are yelled at and beaten with a milking stool, the same result will follow. Unless a hatred to dirt be born in a man he can never be a successful milk producer. If ensilage is fed, the ground corn should be supplemented by wheat middlings and bran. Now is the time to put the stables in repair for the winter, if your business is to be run at a profit. If cows are run from the pastures by a dog or boys, they will give less milk and it will be of poor quality. Of the grains, corn and oats and linseed meal, together with alfalfa or clover hay, will produce the most satisfactory results in the dairy. If they are left out in bad weather until they are chilled or the stables are cold and full of draughts, the owner will find that his bank account will begin to dwindle.

Time for Shelter.
When the cows begin to look around for the shelter of trees at night, it is time to get them into the stable, or at least under the shed. Frost always pinches things. It will pinch the yield of milk if you give it a chance.

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THE WORLD OVER.

The attempt to acclimatize in England the famous blue poppy of Tibet has proved a failure.

Canada has enacted a law providing for the payment of a salary to the leader of the opposition in parliament. Certain banknotes that circulate in Austria-Hungary are ornamented with the portrait of a favorite prima donna.

An advertisement from the Yorkshire Post: "Would any lady of means care to marry poor, crowded-out clerk, age 37?"

Under the auspices of the University of Freiburg, Switzerland, a business academy for women only has been opened in that city.

The Alastian city of Malhausen not only provides free baths for its school children, but free medical inspection and dental treatment.

English poachers have adopted khaki for wear during business hours. They find it makes the evasion of watchful gamekeepers easier.

The town of Lucerne has bought for \$200 Schaffhausen's old guillotine, and announces that it will lend it to other towns at \$5.50 an execution.

During the last 11 months Oxford, England, has lost by death its mayor, three aldermen and four town councilors, which is considered a municipal record.

Love may be blind, but the average mother-in-law is an eye-opener.

I'll brave the storms of Gullkoot Pass, I'll cross the plains of frozen glass, I'll leave my wife and cross the sea, Rather than be without Rocky Mountain Tea.

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Any one suffering from Kidney pain, backache, bladder trouble or rheumatism who will take a dose of Pe-ru-na, upon retiring at night will be relieved before morning. E. T. Whitehead & Co., Scotland Neck, Leggett's Drug Store, Hobgood.

"Once in a while," said Uncle Eben, "you'll hear a man say he regrets his past, when de fact is dat he's afraid of his future."—Washington Star.

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Mrs. Perry—"Oh, you may sneer at pet dogs, but they're faithful away. I'd rather kiss a pug dog than some men." Mr. Cutting—"Well, well, some men are born lucky."—Philadelphia Press.

TORTURE OF A PREACHER.

The story of the torture of Rev. O. D. Moore, pastor of the Baptist church of Harpersville, N. Y., will interest you. He says: "I suffered agonies, because of a persistent cough, resulting from the grip. I had to sleep sitting up in bed. I tried many remedies, without relief, until I took Dr. King's New Discovery for Consumption Coughs and Colds, which entirely cured my cough, and saved me from consumption." A grand cure for diseased conditions of Throat and Lungs. At E. T. Whitehead & Co.'s drug stores; price 50c and \$1.00, guaranteed. Trial bottle free.



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