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THE EDITOR'S LEISURE HOURS.

Observations of Passing Events.

ONCE more Thanksgiving comes around, with its "possum and taters"

its pumkin pie, its turkey and cranberry! With its coming it behooves

opened their hearts to God in thanksgiving for carrying them through a

the thousands of homeless orphans that fill our various Asylums through-

peals strongly to our judgment and to our sympathies. It merits our

people of North Carolina as a time of special effort for aid to them. These

widows in their affliction, and to keep himself unspotted from the

"Nowhere," says Collier's, "is the struggle for existence more incessant

more remorseless, than in the vegetable world." This poet of science has

thinning, and nothing will save it but a recoating with fresh, new soil. It

has been known for a long time that the death-rate of the beautiful trees

in the English park is enormous. Orchardists discovered this antagonism

practically a decade ago, and the up-to-date orchardist keeps his soil bare

lowing on the results of recent experiments along this line. "That the

the trees, and vice versa, was the first exclamation: that the trees deprived

fertifizers of all sorts were applied to the the trees of the grass grown oc-

shard, the crees still refused to viold their best quality of apples, and

tended to die, and, on the other hand, no matter how high up pruning

was carried, and how thoroughly the sunlight was permitted to penetrate

to the very roots of the trees, grass would not flourish within the sphere of

influence of trees. So that the orchardist who tried to grow two crops

lost both. The subject was taken up by the National Bureau of Agricul-

ture both in France and in the United States, and after prolonged re-

search the principal cause was discovered to be the somewhat unexpected

one of the formation of substances in the soil by the grass which are di-

rectly toxic or injurious to trees. Seedlings and young trees were plant-

ed in pots and boxes filled with the same soil, and subjected to exactly the

sume conditions of moisture, heat, and light. Part of these were then

sown with grasses of various sorts, as well as clover, peas, and various

other crops, and the remainder left bare, but thoroughly cultivated. The

result almost invariably was that those seedlings whose soil was kept clear

of growth grew faster and more vigorously than any of the others, al-

though some crops like clover and peas seemed to interfere only slightly

with their growth; grass was most injurious of all. Thinking that the

amount of cultivation and aeration of the soil might differ, two sets of

seedlings were then planted, one in a soil shaken out of freshly dug old sod,

and thus presumably charged with the toxins; and the other in fresh soil

from a plowed field, and both thoroughly cultivated. Again the difference

was all in favor of the ungrassed soil. A dozen other variations of condi-

tions were then made, as to fertilizer, moisture, heat, etc., but with prac-

tically one result. Possibly in future some method of detoxicating or puri-

fying the soil of these products may be devised. It may be possible to re-

called "going stale," or loss of fertility in ground in which the same crop

value of that time-honored device of lying fallow is due to the opportunity

given both for weeds to neutralize or take up some of those toxic products,

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SCOTLAND NECK, N. C., THURSDAY, NOVEMBER 21, 1907.

Another Chance.

(Biblical Recorder.) Mr. Gordon wasted no time in business hours. When he wanted a

new suit of clothes the tailor came AND now comes gray winter slowly on. Scarcely had the gorgeous tints to his office and measured him there. of autumn appeared when the brown of winter began to intrude; and, On one of these occasions, as they even before we can realize it, the earth is gray passed through to an inner room, the tailor came face to face with the and the forests brown. In but a few days more new book-keeper, and there was an the trees will be bare. Winter will soon be upon us! How beautifully has evident, although silent and embar-God reconciled his laws in all their intricacies! Man by nature is averse to sameness. To him monotony is unbearable. God in his omniscience don noticed.

provided for this eternal longing and gave to man the change of seasons He turned it over in his mind sevwith all their attendant pleasures. And how clearly did He match them eral times while the tailor was measwith her life and sparkle and glitter, has been fittingly compared to youth go, Mr. Gorden said to him. and its natural vivacity; Summer casts her glowing sunshine like the even

know about that man."

effort of mature manhood; then comes Autumn, when life has passed the meridian and all activity of youth and manneed has ripened into the said the tailor, "and yet I think I fore thee in the way in any tree, or Oh! winds could not outrun me which but divides him from the springtone of another life the life just out of prison.

"Thank you," said Mr. Gordon. "Nothing is to be said to any one with the young: else, you understand, but I wanted to know.

action. His decision was immediate, and his impulse to put it into effect But Thanksgiving Offering, us to recall its origin and purpose. Thankswas so swift that his hand was on gin in the gray dawn of our nation's history, when a handful of colonists before ringing he stopped for a sec- about our relation to the animals and ond thought.

"Of course I must discharge him," severe winter and giving them a bountiful harvest. Let us all, then, ache said. "In a business like mine I cording to the example set by our forefathers, thank God for the blessings can't have any one round that I can't we have received; and in our thanking let us remember that none but the trust. And yet it's a little hard, if the fellow really meant to do better. birds and other animals as to include unselfish can be truly thankful. Therefore while we turn our thoughts to I see now why he offered himself at them in the commandments and to the groaning table and glowing fireside of our own home, let us remember such low wages, and why he keeps instruct the Isrealites as to how they so carefully inside."

out the State, and make a suitable offering to some one of them according to the blessings we have received. The work of the orphan homes ap- book-keeper came. The work was demned the poodle dog fad which done with almost painful accuracy. exists among the women who prefer heartiest support. The Thanksgiving season has been set apart by the straight thus far.

thank-offerings are a real factor in their maintenance and improvement. They are beautiful expressions of the spirit of gratitude, and must be self. "But how long will it continue however. He illustrated the effect season. The roots are said to go pleasing to the One who, through his servant said, "Pure religion and un- so? I never can be sure what day of a kind word to a dog or cat and down 300 to 500 feet from the stem. Scotland Neck North Carolina Office hours from 9 to 1 o'clock defiled before God and the Father is this, To visit the fatherless and he will break again in the old place. the faithfulness of these animals, Business is business. I must have citing instances of where dogs had men whom I can trust."

> So he rang the Bell, The new book-keeper came in, his

of superintendent Parsons, that the soil of Cen- ning. and it seemed too good to be true experimented from certain service grass from the soil substances that were needed for the nourishment of I could hardly help shouting for joy, them so hats. He also told of the Thank God, I've found a chance to immense business done by the hunt. A story from Indianapolis say that you hever would have taken me the wholesale houses which furnish upon the people by his warfare on ever, would not stand the test of experiment, no master here abundantly if you had known. You are a just them to the milliners. Some of the free silver. Let's see, maybe cock- are doing. We are a just man. You probably never did a dis- statistics and figures in regard to talk weren't invented then. honest thing. You can't understand the amount of business done by some how a man could steal, and yet do of these bird-wing concerns were asright next time. I knew it would tonishing. didn't dare."

ly unmoved by the man's despair. If I had known I never should have from a distance to this section to be hired you. I've got to trust the men chased and cruelly torn to pieces by Pendally-Now, candidly, what do whom I employ. I can't afford to dogs for man's pleasure were given you think of my book.? and give you another chance. No but it is wrong and cruel to bring without knowing how to write, Hold up your head. Act like an hon- killing them. The over-loaded goat knows nothing. - Smart Set. est man. I'll trust you till the first carts and the boys who beat the time you steal."

Mr. Gordon meditated.

"I looked at the poor fellow's pale of the mistreated. face, and I said to myself, 'Ye have done it unto me.' He didn't even dare ask me to keep him, but his eyes were so hungry for a chance to we should remember that animals be a man, I just couldn't help it.

No; I won't either! I'll give him new the soil of Central Park by some less radical and expensive procedure another chance on the level." "My religion has been all justice; than that of complete removal and substitution. It is even beleived that it's time I imported a little mercy

a similar process of auto-intoxication plays a considerable part in the so- into it. I'll 'take thought' and add Anyhow, I've given my word and has been grown a number of seasons in succession; and that part of the shall stay.' Up to this present hour the bookkeeper remains, and with increased salary; for he has proved efficient and

PLEA FOR DUMB ANIMALS.

Women Under Plumes Restless.

The following correspondence in

the News and Observer is quite interesting: Statesville, N. C.-Like Davenport, who is doing much good, Rev. C. A.

Jenkins, of Statesville, is pleading for the dumb animals which are tortured for man's pleasure. At the rassed recognition, which Mr. Gor- First Baptist church Sunday afternoon Mr. Jenkins breached a strong Her smile when Beauty granted, sermon on the treatment of damb I hung with gaze enchanted. animals and the relation between with the changes of feeling and habit from childhood to old age. Spring, and the tailor relied up his tape to first chapter of Genesis, telling of Oft met in gien that's handen the creation of the animals and all Like him, too, beauty won me. "I want you to tell me what you other things and then took for his But while her eyes were on me,

beautiful experience of beginning old age; wincer brings old age, ought. That man is a convict. He on the ground, whether they be And are those follows going young ones or eggs, and the dam And is my proud heart growing sitting upon the young or upon the eggs, thou shalt not take the dam

> "But thou shalt in any wise let the dam go and take the young to thee; Mr. Gordon was a man of prompt that it may be well with thee, and that thou mayest prolong thy days." Rev. Mr. Jenkins began his regiving is our National holiday. It had its ori- the bell before he thought twice. But little said in the pulpit, papers, etc., marks by stating that there was too

how they should be treated. God made the animals before he made man. They are our fellow creatures, and they have some claims and rights. God thought enough of the should treat them. He said that He opened the cash-book, and some people went to the extreme laid down their lives for their mas-

After pleading for the dogs and prison pallor intensified by his fear. cats Mr. Jenkins turned the course He tried to walk erect, but Mr. Gor- of his remarks to the birds and their guarantee of "much fruit." The don thought of the lock-step. It was relation to the women's hats. The strange, he thought, that he had not women were hit hard and those in "Mr. Gordon," the man began, "I tured the cruel way by which these a Christian experience as its producknow why you have called me. I wings and heads of birds were torn know what that man told you. It from the living birds and how the was bound to come, sooner or later. wingless birds were thrown to the I have expected it every time the ground to await a horrible death door opened since the morning you after their plumage had been torn and brown by thorough cultivation. Continuing Collier's gives the fo!- ment in the paper and came to you, the most beautiful birds mainteen

when you employed me on the spot thy this practice and style of weening

come. I wanted to tell you, but I The cock fight was condemned and a plea was made for better methods Mr. Gordon sat quietly, apparent- of shipping poultry. The men who for me and cured it in a wonderfully shoot pigeons for sport and the fox short time." Best on earth for sores, "Jones," said he "you are right. hunters who have foxes brought burns and wounds. 25c at E. T. White have men in my office whom I can't a hard lick. It is alright to hunt the Grimshaw-Well, I always did adtrust. And so I'm going to keep you fox and destroy it where it is a pest, mire the courage of a man who, goats were mentioned and the fad The book-keeper went back and of docking horses and using check Dr. Shoop, of Racine, Wis. You don't reins which cause horses much pain have to boil it twenty or thirty min-"It wasn't at all what I ment to and inconvenience were condemned. utes. "Made in a minute," says the say," he poundered. When I opened God knew better how to finish up a doctor. "Health Coffee" is really the my mouth to answer him, it was horse than man does. The old cow duced. Not a grain of real Coffee in it with the full intention of discharging which is left tied out in the hot sun either. Health Coffee Imitation is him. But what's a man's religion in summer and allowed to freeze in made from pure toasted cereals or for if it isn't for a thing like this?". the winter was also among the list grains, with malt, nuts, etc. Really it

Mr. Jenkins concluded his most Tyler. impressive remarks by saying that have feelings and we should let them I suppose I shall worry some now. know we have religion by our actions eyes." at our hands.

We see dumb animals cruelly mis- have tears in his clothes. treated every day of our lives and if CURED OF BRIGHT'S DISEASE. that cubit to my spiritual stature. all ministers would plead for the animals from the pulpit there would writes: "Before I started to use Foley's Rev. Mr. Jenkins has taken.

My Wooing

(Thomas Moore.) The time I've lost in wooing, In watching and pursuing The light that lies In woman's eyes Has been my heart's undoing. Tho' wisdon oft has sought me,

I scorned the love she brought me; My only books Were woman's looks And folly's all they've taught me

Like him, the sprite

Too cold, too wise For brilliant eyes Again to set it glowing? No-vain, alas! th' endeavor

From bonds so sweet to sever-Poor wisdom's chance Against a glance Is now as we-k as ever.

The Secret of Strength.

(Home Herald.) There is a very famous vine at Hampton Court, London, which has at times borne a thousand or more bounches of grapes, and the secret is All Kinds all the Time. that the vine sends its roots hundreds of yards through the ground to the Thames, where it gets its moisture and nourishment. Another vine, to which great interest has been looked over the entries since the new about their pet animals, and con- attached is situated at St. Gabriel's Mission, California, and is estimated Hearse Service any Time to be the largest and oldest vine in Mr. Gordon read them through and dogs to children and the fad of erect- the United States. It is 105 years of ran over the balances. It was all ing monuments to dogs, cats and age. The stalk is five feet six inches other such pets. He would prefer in circumference, and is said to have and the Public Generally. "Of course it is," he said to him- this extreme to the cruel extreme, borne two tons of grapes in one and it is believed that they are fed from some subterranean stream of

The man who is in communication with the water of his life has the secret of eternal life. He has the tree that is planted by the rivers of water must bring forth his fruit in noticed these things in the begin- the audience who were guilty of this his season. There is nothing that evil became very restless. He pic- will as well prove the authority of

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The Los Angeles Times says that Democracy will hand the nomination out to Mr. Bryan "with tears in its know we have religion by our actions eyes." From the scramble in the towards them and their treatment Republican camp, it looks as if the man who gets the nomination will

be less cruelty. There are societies Kidney Cure I had to get up from in most cities which look after the twelve to twenty times a night, and I mistreaters of dumb animals but was all bloated up with dropsy and my trustworthy, and Mr. Gordon says that, as for himself, it did him good, and tested his religion in a new place.

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