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**Editorial Comment**

The milliners are getting ready to open Spring.

Is a lawsuit here Saturday concerning the merits and demerits of a much-traded Burnsville mule, it is said that nearly every citizen of that grand old township proved a good character. Now who says such lawsuits are of no use?

His many friends in Anson county will be glad of an opportunity to vote for Capt. S. A. Ashley for State Treasurer. A finer scholar or more worthy gentleman can hardly be found within the State's borders and it will honor itself to honor this grand old gentleman.

In publishing the series of articles, "The Making of a Successful Wife," the editor of The Ansonian does not wish to be called to account by Editor Green of Our Home. By the way, we have discovered a friend in Editor Sossoman of the People's Paper, Charlotte. He says Green must stop nagging us single fellows. Thank you, Brother Sossoman.

MAYBE prohibition doesn't prohibit in every case, but A. K. Atkinson, a former whiskey dealer here will no doubt think it does in some cases when he begins his sentence of a year and one day in the Federal prison of Georgia in a short time. He was convicted a few days ago at Savannah for defrauding the government and while he has often escaped by paying his fines, Judge Emory Speer refused to listen to his earnest appeals through counsel and said he must serve his sentence.

THE Ansonian regrets to learn that Prof. M. B. Dry, principal of the Wingate School, is to leave this section of the state during the year. He will go to Cary to be principal of the high school at that place. He has few equals and no superiors in the state as a high-toned Christian teacher, and his work during the past twelve years at Wingate, speaks louder praise for him than any words we can offer. Thoroughly conscious of the teacher's great mission, he is giving his life, a noble sacrifice, to the work. The people of Cary may rest assured that they have secured the services of a man whose character is pure gold, whose ability is unquestioned and whose life purpose is to do good.

THE supporters of the Hon. W. W. Kitchin, candidate for governor, have woefully failed "to bolster" up his cause by accusing Mr. Craig of being the candidate of the Southern Railway and the American Tobacco Co. They raised the issue by mere insinuations, for there appears never to have been any proof, and certainly it would have produced had it existed, and they have now caused some things to come up that place him in even a worse light than he has even been able to place Mr. Craig. Last week the Lexington Dispatch contained the following editorial:

"The Greensboro Record, a Kitchin organ, says Col. A. B. Andrews, first vice-president of the Southern Railway, has declared he will support Kitchin for governor. Col. Andrews' assistant, Mr. Henry W. Miller, declared several months ago that he was for Kitchin. The attorney of the Southern Railway in Lexington is one of Kitchin's friends, the attorney of the Southern Railway in Salisbury is Kitchin's manager, the attorney of the southern railway in Asheboro, we understand, is also Kitchin's manager in Randolph county, and we have also heard that the attorney of the Southern Railway in High Point is managing Mr. Kitchin's campaign in that section. So it seems that Mr. Kitchin has a greater percentage of Southern Railway attorneys for him than he has of any other class of people.

"Mr. James S. Manning of Durham Mr. Kitchin's state manager, led the fight in the last Legislature against the famous sub-section 'A' of the anti-trust bill, which was said to be directed solely to hit the American Tobacco Company. Mr. Manning worked mightily hard to defeat this anti-trust bill and some of his friends accused him of shedding tears over it."

The Charlotte Chronicle adds this:

"So it seems that Mr. Kitchin will be indebted to one of the hated corporations for no inconsiderable share of his support. This situation justifies The Dispatch in its criticism that 'Mr. Kitchin's insinuations, and those of his supporters who are going about telling falsehoods on the other candidates, trying to mislead and poison the minds

of the people against two of the best and purest men in North Carolina—Hon. Locke Craig of Asheville, and Hon. Ashley Horne of Johnson county, are unfair and unjust." Mr. Kitchin should either change his tactics—should quit charging Craig with being backed by corporation interests—or he should turn upon these railroad men and tell them that he does not want their votes.

So far as we have ever heard, all three of the candidates—Horne, Kitchin and Craig, are men of unusual honesty and high moral character. They are able men and North Carolina will be safe with anyone of the three as governor, but the kind of politics that causes one candidate to insinuate that his opponent is a bad man when he does not believe that he is such, is the kind of politics that ought to get the black eye forever. It's the principle and not the man that we are against.

THE Night Riders are again busy shooting up tobacco dealers and residences out around "My Old Kentucky Home," and someone suggest that it might be well for Kentucky to try shooting daylight through the Night Riders.

THE Indiana Democratic Convention instructed for Bryan last week and put the following eloquent sentences in its platform:

"Democracy enters on the presidential campaign with a leader already chosen, called to command when but a young man, combated in two successive campaigns by the unreasonable assaults of his adversaries and a debauched suffrage, corrupted by contributions made by predatory wealth, this great leader, by force of his splendid intellect, his noble manhood, his matchless eloquence, his purity of life, has not only become easily the greatest private citizen of the Republic, but an absolute moral force in the world. . . . In honoring him the Democracy of Indiana honors itself."

Every word of this is true but, with many of his own party fighting him together with the Republicans, Bryan may never be president of the United States. Yet, he is justly honored for having chosen the better part of life.

**Lord Mansfield on Judicial Popularity**  
(Law Notes.)

John Wilkes was a malefactor who had been prosecuted relentlessly by the British Government. He had withdrawn to France, and a judgment of outlawry had been pronounced against him. Coming over to England in 1783, he appeared in person in the Court of King's Bench asking that the judgment of outlawry be reversed. Lord Mansfield was chief justice, and on a technical point which had escaped the defendant, he gave judgment against the crown and declared that the outlawry should be reversed. The nation was frenzied by faction. Abuse and threats of personal violence were heaped upon the chief justice. Crowds thronged the hall where he sat. Amid such surroundings, in his address from the bench, Mansfield gave utterance to these memorable words: "If, during this king's reign, I have ever supported his government, assisted his measures, I have done it without any other reward than the consciousness of doing what I thought right. If I have ever opposed, I have done it upon the points themselves, without mixing in party or faction, and without any collateral views. I honor the king, and respect the people; but many things required by the favor of either are, in my account, objects not worthy ambition. I wish popularity, but it is that popularity which follows; not that which is run after. It is that popularity which, sooner or later, never fails to do justice to the pursuit of noble ends by noble means. I will not do that which my conscience tells me is wrong upon this occasion, to gain the huzzas of thousands, or the daily praise of all the papers which come from the press. I will not avoid doing what I think is right, though it should draw on me the whole artillery of libels; all that falsehood and malice can invent, or the credulity of a deluded populace can swallow."

**Rank Foolishness.**

"When attacked by a cough or a cold, or when your throat is sore, it is rank foolishness to take any other medicine than Dr. King's New Discovery," says C. O. Eldridge of Empire, Ga. "I have used New Discovery seven years and I know it is the best remedy on earth for coughs and colds, croup, and all throat and lung troubles. My children are subject to croup, but New Discovery quickly cures every attack." Known the world over as the King of throat and lung remedies, sold under guarantee at Parsons Drug Co's, 50c and \$1.00. Trial bottle free.

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**ASHLEY HORNE.**  
(By Don O. Shelton.)

**THE LIFE WITHIN.**

The great difference between men—between the strong and the weak, the efficient and the inefficient, is owing to that measure of fidelity that has been given to the building up of the inner life. What a man's life is within is the decisive factor in shaping his destiny.

The ills of humanity that are really the most serious have their origin in undeveloped or disordered states of the soul. Out of the heart all acts good or bad, proceed. On the kind of seeds planted therein will depend the harvest of the after life, whether it shall be rank weeds or choice blossoms and fruit.

The inner life is made by the thoughts a man thinks. As a man thinks he becomes. His inner strength and quality are the product of what his mind has dwelt upon. Nothing else, therefore, is of more importance than the government of thoughts.

This was the firm belief of William Penn, who in his "Reflections and Maxims," wrote: "Man being made a reasonable, and so a thinking creature, there is nothing more worthy of his being than the right direction and employment of his thoughts; since upon this depends in all respects." To the failure of men to rightly control their thoughts Penn ascribed most of the infelicities that they labor under. "Clear therefore thy head," he wrote, "and rally, and manage thy thoughts rightly, and thou wilt save time, and see and do thy business well; for the judgement will be distinct, thy mind free, and the faculties strong and regular."

This result can be reached in part, by limiting the objects of thought to those that are supremely important. Judged by their speech and conduct multitudes of people occupy their mind with matters unrelated to their highest welfare. Thinking about trivial and sordid things they remain small and ineffective in character.

Those who follow the opposite course and who fix their thoughts on their work and on the attainment of their fullest possibilities, grow in mental vigor and multiply their achievements.

Therefore a man must govern his thoughts or remain a dwarf in mind and character. "Take, for instance, the case of two men who begin life under the same circumstances," asked Bishop Phillips Brooks, "the first of whom far exceeds the other in talents, but is inferior to the second in the government of thoughts, and in the end will it not be seen that the success of the second far exceeds the former?" The talents of the unthinking man will wither; the soil in his person, and honor your calling by nominating a farmer to be your Governor.

He is capable, can be trusted to fill the duties of the Executive of your State, with wisdom and discretion. See that you are not sidetracked by the politicians, but abide faithfully in the support of a horny-handed son of the soil, who will have an eye single to your interests, and the welfare and the upbuilding of all the people of your great State. W. A. SMITH, Ansonville, N. C.

His home people honor him, having intrusted their interests to him in the Senate of North Carolina, and no man possesses more accurate knowledge of the wants of the State, in that which upbuilds a State—industrially and financially.

Honesty walks as he walks; faithful and true to duty, able to meet the demands of the high office which he seeks, my fellow citizens will honor themselves in honoring him with their votes.

A good soldier of the Confederacy, by command of Gen. Lee, he stacked arms at Appomattox and has faithfully abided the terms of surrender. He has been true and loyal to his comrades, as in duty bound, and I ask that you publish the least technical point which he is kind to the needy; he understands their necessities and cheerfully responds to claims made on his generosity by all worthy applicants.

A good man and true, he is worthy of this honor and worthy of your support. A lifetime Democrat, voting early and late, working all the time—spending and being spent in the effort to sustain good government in the State. Not a politician, no; but a plain farmer, a business man, asking for your hands that you honor the soil in his person, and honor your calling by nominating a farmer to be your Governor.

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**OFFICE OF ASHLEY HORNE & SON FARMERS AND DEALERS IN GENERAL MERCHANDISE.**

Clayton, N. C. March 20, '08.  
Major W. A. Smith, Ansonville, N. C.  
My dear Major:—

A rumor has reached me that some of my political enemies were circulating the report in Anson county that I did not support Major Stedman, who was a Confederate soldier, in his candidacy for the democratic nomination for Governor last time. I brand this rumor as absolutely and unqualifiedly false. I supported Major Stedman not only last time, but also supported him with every influence I had in his contest with Governor Fowle. I have always supported a Confederate soldier from the day I cast my first ballot for the immortal Zeb Vance for Governor.

I have always felt, aside from my prejudices in favor of my comrades, that the splendid man, who served this State in the days of '60-65' and who returned home to find his farms devastated and his industry ruined, and with the negro free and in full control, and yet who set about reorganizing our State and established a strong and safe government for the people, should be, on account of this great service to the State, entitled to preference over younger men.

Knowing that you are a Confederate soldier and are much interested in all matters regarding our former comrades, I write this letter to you in order, that as a friend and a former comrade, you may tell my old comrades the truth in regard to the matter.

With best wishes for yourself and all my old comrades, I am, Yours very truly,  
ASHLEY HORNE.

**A Cure for Misery.**

"I have found a cure for the misery malaria poison produces," says R. M. James of Louellen, S. C. "It's called Electric Bitters, and comes in 50-cent bottles. It breaks up a case of chills or a bilious attack in almost no time; and it puts yellow jaundice clean out of commission." This great tonic medicine and blood purifier gives quick relief in all stomach, liver and kidney complaints and the misery of lame back. Sold under guarantee at Parsons Drug Co's.

In 1518 a battle was fought near Milan, in Italy, and so perfect was the advance of both armies that, although the conflict raged from 9 a. m. to 4 p. m., so one on either side was either killed or wounded, though one man broke his collar bone by falling off his horse.

Don't cough your head off when you can get a guaranteed remedy in Bees Laxative Cough Syrup. It is especially recommended for children, as it is pleasant to take, is a gentle laxative, thus compelling the phlegm from the system. For coughs, colds, croup, whooping-cough, hoarseness and all bronchial troubles. Guaranteed. Sold by Martin Drug Co.

## SUNDAY SCHOOL DEPARTMENT

Conducted By Special Editor.

**SUNDAY, APRIL 5, 1908.**

Lesson I. Jesus the Good Shepherd. John 10:1-18.  
Golden Text—"The Good Shepherd giveth his life for the sheep."—John 10:11.

Time:—Either September, A. D. 29, or November, A. D. 29. If the first mentioned time is correct it was at the feast of the tabernacles. Many commentators consider the time to be at the feast of dedication in November.

Place:—Jerusalem. If the time is November, then the scene of the conversion was the east side of the Temple, at Solomon's porch.

Place in the life of Christ.—The latter part of the third year of his public ministry.

The Audience.—The disciples, some of the Pharisees, and probably the man who was healed of blindness as recorded in the last chapter.

**CONNECTION.**

This lesson follows soon after the lesson studied March 15. The lesson telling the story of the healing of the man born blind.

**LESSON STORY.**

The Pharisees have been attacking Jesus for his deed of mercy and they pretend to be the shepherds of the people. Jesus begins this conversation by contrasting the real with the pretending shepherd. His test for the real shepherds is sincerity, openness and regularity. The figure contrasts the shepherd who comes to the door of the fold in straightforward fashion with the robber who climbs the wall to get at the sheep surreptitiously. He means that the wall-climbing will be futile. The sheep will not follow every man that calls them. They know the shepherd's voice and will follow him only. If a stranger should get into the fold the sheep would flee from him. The master then uses another symbol. He calls himself the door. What he means is, that all who enter by him are true shepherds. Those who come to the sheep with his disposition and in his spirit, unselfish, sympathetic, helpful and protecting are the true shepherds. The Pharisees were like thieves, who climb over the wall and only wish to prey upon the flock. No wonder the Pharisees "understood not what things they were which he spake unto them." The measure of the Good Shepherd's consecration is his life. He is willing to lay this down for the sheep. This may sometimes mean death. It means always the placing of the life upon the altar of service. In any case the Shepherd is for the sheep and he will sacrifice himself for them rather than that they be sacrificed. Jesus said, "I am the Good Shepherd. I lay down my life for the sheep." The sacrifice was voluntary. "Therefore doth my father love me because I lay down my life, that I may take it again."

traveling with a party and the discussion of the possibility of a God. Bishop Thoburn was silent. When it was noticed that he was silent and had no part in the discussion, a woman said to him, "What do you think? You are not taking any part in this discussion." "Think!" was the quick reply. "I know God! I know him better than any human being." All was silence. That was enough.

"A Scottish traveler once changed clothes with the shepherd and thus disguised began to call the sheep. They remained motionless. Then the true shepherd raised his voice and they all hastened toward him, in spite of strange garments."

"It is an interesting spectacle to watch the flocks with their shepherd at the watering places. Each flock, in obedience to the call of its shepherd, lies down, awaiting its turn. One shepherd calls his sheep in squads and when this squad has done drinking orders it away by sounds which the sheep perfectly understand and then calls another squad. The sheep never make a mistake as to who whistles to them or calls them."—Bible Dictionary.

Through the door, too, they go out into the pasture. "What an a doo' fo' anyhow! Jes' to shet yo' out, jes' to shet yo' in, or to let yo' thro'." Jesus am de doo', de way into de Kingdom; an' he am de doo', de way out into life. He sho' did say, 'If yo' enters in by me, yo' shall be saved.' No evil can git by de Doo' Jesus. 'An' yo' shall go out an' in!' Honey, dat am de freedom what He am all de time promising.' An' yo' shall find pasture.' Dat am de fullness of life what he am all de time telling about. When yo' passes in an' yo' passes out, yo' sho' nuf has to pass right by the Mastah, an' look him plum squar' in de eyes."—J. W. Lawrence.

He gave His life for the sheep. This an eastern shepherd was ever ready to do. "There were marauders lurking ready to sweep away a weakly guarded flock. There were wild beasts in the gorges of the hills. There was danger in the sun by day on these burning plains. In the night the wolves prowled around the flock."—Maclaren. The shepherd faces these dangers because the sheep belonged to him as men belong to Christ. The hireling deserts the sheep in time of danger.

"Here is the beauty and glory of Christ, that he goes before, and never behind us. He goes before in the bearing of temptation. He taught forgiveness, by forgiving first his enemies. He went before in the loss of all things. He bore the cross himself that he commands us to bear after him. Requiring us to hate even life for the Gospel's sake, he went before us in dying for the Gospel. Then he went before us in bursting the grave, becoming the firstfruits of them that slept."—Bushnell.

**THE POET'S WORD.**

"Is he a door? I'll enter in; Behold the pasture large and green! A paradise divinely fair; None but the sheep have freedom there."—Isaac Watts.

Come, wandering sheep, oh, come! I'll bind me to my neighbor's side; I'll bear thee to thy home, And lay thee down to rest.

I saw thee stray forlorn, And heard thee faintly cry, And on the tree of scorn For those I designed to die.

What greater proof could I Give, than to seek the tomb? Come, wandering sheep, oh, come!—Translated from the Spanish.

"The Lord is my Shepherd, I shall not want, He leadeth me in the paths of righteousness for his name's sake. Yea, though I walk thro' the valley of the shadow of death, I will fear no evil; for thou art with me; Thy rod and thy staff, they comfort me."

**Still in the Race.**

To the Democrats of North Carolina.

It has come to me from a number of sources that the report is being circulated that I have withdrawn from the race for the Democratic nomination for Commissioner of Labor and Printing of North Carolina. I am at a loss to know how this report originated, I have never had the slightest intention of withdrawing from the contest. The encouragement and support I have received from every part of the State seem to assure my nomination for this office. I have received almost the unanimous endorsement of the North Carolina press, and letters offering the support of many of the most prominent Democrats of the State. For these assurances I am deeply grateful, and if nominated and elected will give the duties of the office my very best attention.

Respectfully,  
J. B. SHERBULL,  
Concord, N. C., March 21, 1908.

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**Your Responsibility.**  
(From an Old Paper.)

An armless man once walked into a saloon and dropped a dime from his teeth on the counter and called for a drink. The bar keeper placed a glass and some liquor before him. He was requested by the armless customer to pour out the grog, and when this was done he asked him to place it in his mouth and turn up the glass for him. This request opened the saloon keepers eyes. He went home and told his wife about it. In his dreams that night he saw the armless man and he was pouring the liquor down his throat. The next morning he closed his bar and changed his business. When you vote the wet ticket you are to all intents and purposes standing behind the bar and pouring liquor down helpless men's throats—men who would not drink but for your help.

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