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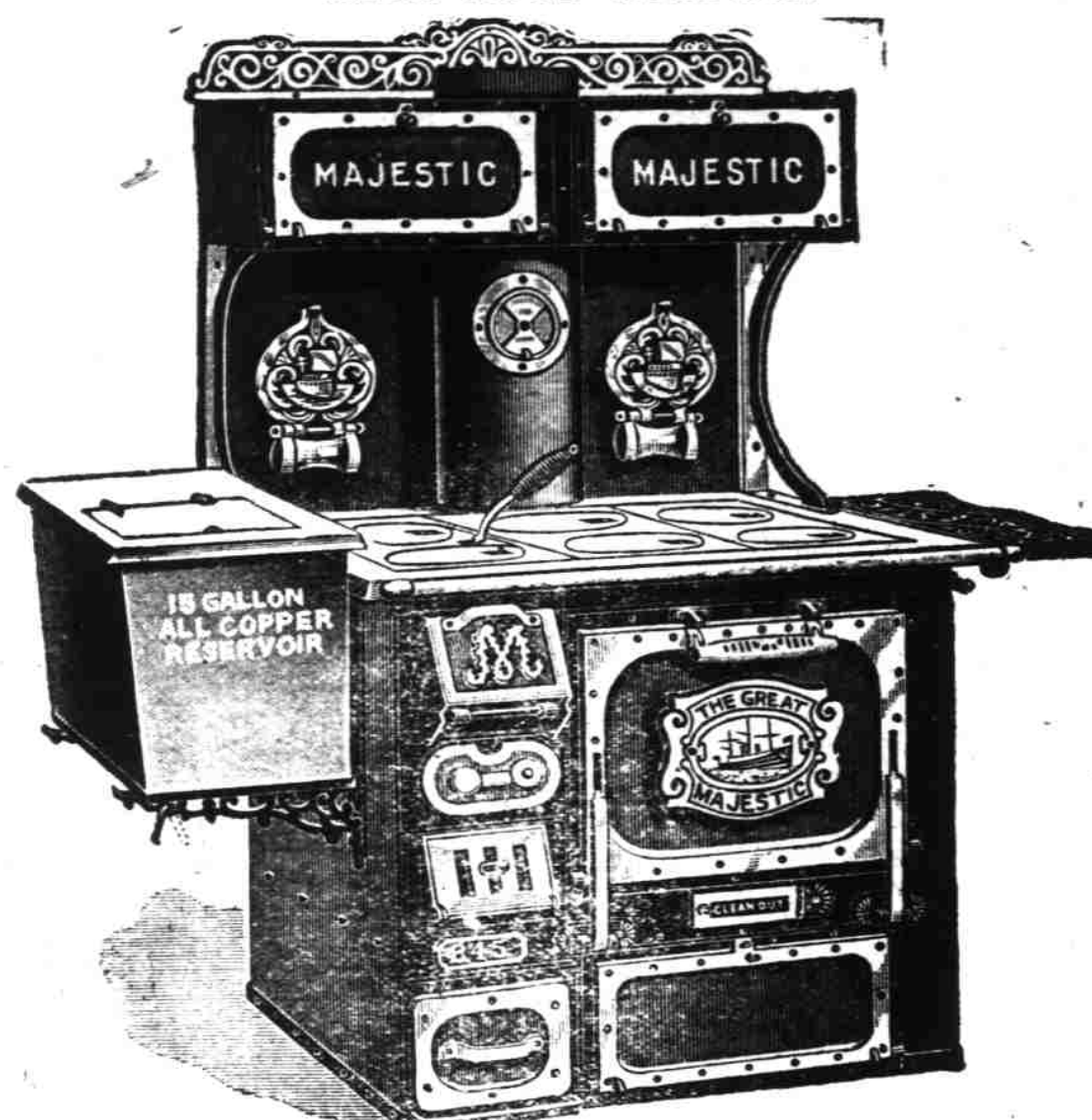
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Editorial Comment

SPEAKING of the solid South, some newspapers down this way rejoice that it at least saves us to the trouble of listening to much presidential oratory. Yes, all we have to do is to sit back and do as we are told to do by the great western manipulators. We are already counted before the game begins and set aside as "dead easies" to be delivered over when the time comes. While we are not ready yet to break up according to Mr. Taft's idea and vote the Republican ticket, isn't it getting time that we speak up in the meeting and get away from this political servitude even though our masters are supposed Democrats?

As we have often suggested, talking politics is a slow way to improve local conditions and the Ansonian shall continue to plead for the betterment of these conditions even at the risk of starving our readers so far as political news is concerned. What this county needs just now is some real, active work for the improvement of the streets in the town and the roads in the country districts. There is no better way of judging the result of good roads than to study the results obtained by counties where they have been tried. Here is what Madison county, Tennessee, according to the Chattanooga Times, has done along this line:

Some years ago Madison county in the face of much opposition and at considerable sacrifice, voted \$300,000 for roads. This amount was judiciously expended, and so impressive was the beneficial result that another \$200,000 was added and now there extend from Jackson as the center, splendid gravel roads, radiating in all directions for from five to seven miles. The money appropriated was honestly expended and every dollar went into roads, not a cent getting into blind ditches. The Sun is therefore justified in the pride it takes in the achievements of its people. It is worth while to note, too, that farming lands in Madison county which, under the old system of mud lanes were scarcely worth ten dollars the acre, are now held and can't be had for \$25 or even \$30 the acre. This, if not the convenience, comfort and saving in live stock and vehicles, ought to be painted in large letters and placarded in every backward community in the state. The way to prosperity for our rural communities is over well-paved, well-kept highways.

AND Our Home of Marshville submits the following remarks relative to Mayor Brock's recent trip to New York and New Jersey to help in the campaign of those States:

It is gratifying news to Brock's friends and acquaintances in Union county to know that he is making good. We have known all along that there's something in that young attorney. We tried to get him to consent to let us pump one of our discarded Populist speeches into him before he left, but he was afraid it wouldn't suit those people up there, and he is supposed to be using one of his own make. But just to come down to the subject more seriously, it has been puzzling us to know why this young mayor of the city of Wadesboro was given the distinction of being the only young man selected from the South to go up into the great State of New York to help round up that State for Democracy. This thing worked so hard on our curiosity that we made a special trip to see Mr. Brock and find out just how it happened, but he refused to unfold the secret, either from a sense of modesty or a desire to keep it to himself. The only thing left for us to do now is to carefully watch for results and see how the election goes in New York.

When Wadesboro's mayor was selected to make this tour of northern states and assist in the campaigning there, the committee was looking for men who had something to say and men who were bold and fearless enough to say it right in the shadow of Wall Street and all the protected interests of the Republican party. If the papers are to be believed, even the Republican ones, Brock made good wherever he went. We are glad that Our Home is expecting to hear something of this young lawyer. Get ready, Brother, you'll probably hear from him again; he's a live wire.

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History of the Finding of Robinson Crusoe.

According to the New York Sun, Dr. Henry Dover who first compounded the well-known Dover's Powders, was the man who found Robinson Crusoe on the lonely island of Juan Fernandez. While yet a most successful practitioner, Dr. Dover turned sea captain and headed an expedition probably for pillaging the South Seas and the Sun gives the following entertaining account of the affair:

But the finding of Robinson Crusoe was the most interesting of his experiences, and in that event he participated directly and personally, going ashore himself in a boat to ascertain what was the source of a light on the island of Juan Fernandez which had been observed from his ship. The result was the discovery of Alexander Selkirk. He was a Scottish sailor who had been left there on account of a difference between him and the master of his vessel and had remained there in solitude four years and four months. There were upward of 500 goats on the island, and his chief subsistence was the flesh of these animals, which he caught by running them down after his ammunition gave out and he was unable to shoot them. For vegetable food he had turnips, which had been introduced by mariners visiting Juan Fernandez for supplies of fresh water and also the fruit of the cabbage palm. He had clothed himself in goatskins, and procured fire by rubbing sticks of pimento wood together. For mental food he had constant recourse to the Bible and a few other books—the titles of which are not given—and he employed himself in reading, praying and singing psalms, so that he said he was a better Christian during his solitude than he ever had before, and than, as he was afraid he would ever be again. These words seem to have been prophetic for he joined the buccaniers as a mate of one of their ships and his share of the prize money amounted to \$200.

Approves the Wadesboro Plan of Handling Cotton.

(Charlotte Chronicle)

The merchants of Wadesboro and the farmers of Anson county have made an arrangement whereby the farmers may be able to store their cotton against the coming of better prices. The plan, as given by The Ansonian, is copied elsewhere, and it would appear that its workings will be of practical benefit to the farmers who are disposed to take advantage of it. No risk of loss attaches and there is a chance for a profit. Of course, cotton cannot be held in storage for nothing, but the fee agreed upon in the Wadesboro plan seems to be nominal. The storage problem for the Anson county farmer seems to be solved. There is no reason why he should put his cotton on the market at the present time if he desires to hold it for the prospect of better prices a few months later.

Work of Rev. J. B. Traywick at Denmark, S. C.

The current number of the Southern Christian Advocate gives the following account of Rev. J. B. Traywick's excellent work at Denmark, S. C. He is an uncle to Mr. M. C. Traywick of Peachland, Mrs. N. G. Thomas of Burnsville township and Mrs. J. T. Mills of Ansonville township: "With pleasure we present to our readers this week the picture of the beautiful new church at Denmark, the latest photograph of his happy pastor, and the pictures of seventeen of his prominent members. Brother Traywick has done a great work at Denmark. He found his people divided, one part for the old church in the old town, and the other part insisting that the church should be moved to the new town. It meant either to move the church or to have two churches in the same community. Bro. Traywick in his kind and loving way showed that the proper place for the church was where the people were."

Wadesboro Township School Teachers

The school committee of Wadesboro township has elected teachers for the schools of the township as follows:

- WHITE SCHOOLS**
 Flat Rock—Miss Nannie Gatewood.
 Birmingham—Miss Ruth Winfield.
 Brown Creek—Miss Pheobe Watkins.
 Salem—Miss Sue Pope.
- COLORED SCHOOLS**
 Flat Rock—Mollie Bennett.
 Garris Grove—Mammie Reid.
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"Cleaning Up Day"

The Chattanooga Times has this to say concerning a special day set apart for a general cleaning up:

"Atlanta observed yesterday as 'cleaning up' day and we are told that a vast deal of good, effective work was done in addition to the clinching of public sentiment in behalf of public cleanliness and city adornment. It has been found an effective means of promoting the city beautiful idea to set apart certain days on which the personal effort of the individual citizen is requested to be exerted in behalf of clean streets, alleys and sidewalks. Chattanooga isn't all that could be asked in respect to this matter; but it has not yet been introduced to regularly appointed periods for special work in adornment and beautification. The explanation of some of the many loiters in this highly important work is that we are growing too fast to pay much attention to mere adornments, but they cannot tell why good taste and the sense of cleanliness may not very easily and properly go along with the most rapid growth.

President Luther treats the subject of beautifying premises from a spiritual standpoint as follows:

"We are coming to understand that not only should our bridges be beautiful, but our public buildings must be beautiful, that our river banks must be beautiful, that the houses of the poor as well as of the rich must be beautiful, will be such as the poor as well as the rich may live in safety, profitably, wisely. As we clean and beautify and make splendid the cities and the towns in which we live, as we tie them together into more and more efficient corporate units, struggling for the common welfare of us all, we shall find that the unlovely things in human nature, in our own nature, the dishonesties, the foulness, the dishonors, that have held back so long and so terribly the progress of mankind, will be more and more impossible and that a city materially beautiful will be spiritually beautiful.

Excited Bridegroom Steps From Moving Train

Mr. William L. Richmond, of Caswell county, is in St. Leo's Hospital in Greensboro, with a broken arm and a badly injured head. The injured man is a young lady, Miss Mary Phillips, were eloping from the Union Ridge section of Caswell county last Tuesday night and were on the train on their way to Greensboro to be married. As the train approached the city and the porter had called "Greensboro" the couple stepped off the car while it was going at a high rate of speed. Mr. Richmond receiving the injuries above stated and Miss Phillips slight injuries. In his delirium the unfortunate man labored under the hallucination that the father of the bride-to-be has beaten him with a stick.

Thief Quickly Overtaken.

(Monroe Journal)

Last Wednesday a traveling man lost his pocketbook at the depot, or rather he got rid of it, not knowing whether it had been lost or stolen. He came up town, reported the loss to Chief of Police Laney, and in less than thirty minutes he had recovered his pocketbook and the thirty-five dollars that it contained, and Charlie Carpenter, a colored hand at the station, was in jail accused of the theft. When Mr. Laney was told of the loss he walked at once to the station, and the first man he saw was Charlie, whom nobody thought of accusing. But the end of the pocketbook was sticking out of Charlie's pocket and he was arrested. He had already hid the money, but went and found it.

Don't Feed Soapy Dish Water to Pigs

(Practical Farmer.)

It is not uncommon to hear of outbreaks of a peculiar nature among wild feral dogs on the outskirts of our large cities. These dogs are fed extensively upon kitchen refuse, which often includes dishwater collected from hotels, boarding houses and private dwellings. The soapy dish water in large quantities, is sure to produce death, and the cause is usually attributed to an outbreak of hog cholera on account of the similarity of several of the symptoms manifested, including diarrhea, partial paralysis and also from the fact that the most of those attacked usually die.

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Sunday School Department

Conducted by Special Editor.

SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 8.

Scripture Lesson, 2 Samuel 18:24-33.—David, Griefs for Absalom.

Golden Text.—"A Foolish Son is a Grief to his Father."—Prov. 17:25.

Setting.—Time.—Three months after the last lesson. Place.—Jerusalem and Mahanaim, a fortified town east of the Jordan. Half way between the Dead Sea and the Sea of Galilee.

LESSON STORY.
 While David waits in the open space between the gates of the city for the news of the battle, the watchman on the wall scans the front in front of the city. The watchman sees two men coming from different directions to the city; he announces their coming to David, and recognizes one as the son of Zadok. David expects good tidings.

Once Abimeaz announces victory in the forest of Ephraim, and tells how the enemies of the king have been killed or taken prisoners. David asks about Absalom; the messenger evades the question by telling a falsehood about the confusion after the battle. The Ethiopian messenger then came up, and also announced the general issue of victory, and to the king's specific question about Absalom told of the young man's death.

COMMENTATIVE.

V. 5. Absalom would have David only smitten, David would have Absalom only spared. (17:2.) What foils are these to each other? Never was unnatural hatred to a father more strong than in Absalom; nor was ever natural affection to a child more strong than in David; each showed how bad it is possible for a father to be to the best of fathers, and how good it is possible for a father to be to the worst of children; as if it were designed to be a resemblance of man's wickedness toward God, and God's mercy toward man, of which it is hard to say which is more amazing.—Henry.

V. 14. There was probably a true regard for the king and kingdom in this act of Joab. He knew that Absalom could not with safety be suffered to live; that now a just right to slay him had been earned in open battle. Nothing can be alleged against him in this matter but his disobedience to the king; but he in his position, felt that he dared to disobey him for his own good; and he was quite prepared to vindicate and maintain this deed.—Kitto.

We can hardly withhold a tear at the sight of the unhappy youth, an hour ago, with thousands eager to obey him, and a throne before him, apparently secure from danger; now hanging helpless between earth and heaven, with no company but an evil conscience, and no prospect but the judgment of an offended God.—Blakie.

V. 17. Mussulman legends reprinted hell as yawning at the moment of his death beneath the feet of the unhappy Prince. The modern Jews, as they pass the monument in the valley of Kidron, to which they have given his name, have buried its sides deep in the stones which they throw against it in exhortation. Augustine dooms him to perdition, as a type of the Donatists. But the sacred writer is moved only to deep compassion. The thought of that sad death of the childless Prince, of the desolate cairn in the forest instead of the honored grave that he had designed for himself in the King's dale; blots out the remembrance of the treason and rebellion, and every detail is given to embrace the pathos of the scene which follows.—Stanley.

Verses 17 and 18 give a striking contrast between the actual and the designed burialplace of Absalom. The great pit among the sombre trees, where his bloody corpse was hastily flung, with three darts through his heart, were a

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