

SNAPSHOTS.

Miss Alice Roosevelt gets married to-morrow.

The judges of the Old Dominion (Virginia) are elected by the Legislature.

When an old political wolf wants to get popular these days he puts on an elaborate suit of reform clothing.

If the coal miners are going to strike, for heaven's sake let them wait until the ground hog comes out of his hole again.

A Camden man convicted of assault, is paying his fine on the installment plan. It is a wonder that he didn't ask for trading stamps.

Fairbanks' boom has been re-examined and found in prime condition. The vice-president enjoys a great advantage in his cold storage facilities.

Four more anarchists were shot in Warsaw without trial. That is the way to make more anarchists—it Russia should take you aside and ask you.

In order to keep honors even President Roosevelt should once more tell us what a great man Jacob Riis is. Then it would be Jake's turn again.

If, as a western theologian contends, Eve was created first, what could have induced Moses to tell the other story? He must have been the original foe of the new woman.

It is tacitly understood at Washington that there will be no River and Harbor bill this session. The loose change in the treasury will all be needed in digging the Panama canal.

Representative Littlefield dared to oppose the President's railway rate bill. But Mr. Frye and Mr. Hale may manage to keep the State of Maine from being "wiped off the map."

Senator Depew's colleagues gave him a hearty hand shaking "vindication" when he appeared in his seat the other day. This may encourage Senator Burton to venture inside the chamber.

Lawson is said to have discovered a method of making copper out of iron. He once thought he had discovered a method of making millions out of exposing the "main works" of the trust system.

It is not at all surprising that the New York policemen do not know where gambling is carried on, since the gamblers who are running games admit that they themselves do not know anything about them.

In Maryland they propose to make the smoking of cigarettes an offense punishable by law. What is the use of invoking the law to inflict punishment when the cigarettes can be relied on to attend to it if given time?

Congressman Longworth has the advantage of King Alfonso, in that he can "stand anywhere" without being hitched, while the camera friends take snapshots with never a suspicion that the aforesaid "friends" may be bomb throwers in disguise.

Blind, bleeding, itching and protruding piles are instantly relieved by ManZan. This remedy is put up in collapsible tubes with nozzle attachment, so that the medicine may be applied inside directly where the trouble originates. Man Zan relieves instantly. Sold by S.

ST. VALENTINE'S DAY.

The young people have been sending and receiving Valentines for the past week or so, and it has made things quite lively. Generally speaking the Valentines strike the nail on the head and no doubt do good, for they remind the receiver of his or her short-comings or conceit and thereby point out the weakness that the fellow has and pulls him down off his high horse. It gives us "the gift given to us to see ourselves as others see us."

St. Valentine was a martyr of the third century, of whom very little is known. The Roman Emperor Claudius had him put to death for converting a heathen to Christianity. The custom of sending Valentines has but little if any connection with his day, the 14th of February, though the custom is very ancient.

"They say" birds choose their mates on this day. We noticed the birds were very gleeful on the 14th, and we have decided that they were taking their honeymoon—swinging in the bowers and singing gay songs, instead of dedicating the day to its patron saint. "Others say" the custom was handed down from the ancient Roman festival of the Lupercalia, which occurred in February, at which the names of young women were put into a box, from which they were drawn by the young men and the men had to carry out the directions given by the women the rest of the year.

A custom similar to this was popular throughout England and France for centuries. Hence it is not probable that the custom arose from St. Valentine. It doubtless arose from the festival of the Lupercalia, as did our custom of observing the 25th of December as the birth of Christ from the old Roman Saturnalia, an agricultural feast in honor of the Roman god Saturn, which began on the 17th of December and lasted about a week.

DIVISION OF LABOR.

In former days our people did their own work—built their own houses, made their own wool on the farm and wove it into fabrics, raised their own food-stuff and were practically independent of the rest of the world and each other.

But to-day almost every industry and vocation is divided up. The Southern farmer produces not only the cotton that he uses himself but he produces it for America in general and the world. The West produces wheat for itself, for America and for the foreigner. So in modern life a market is an organic thing. The farmer of the South is no longer independent of the Western wheat raiser, and vice versa. The manufacturer of the North is dependent on the farmer for the raw material; the farmer is dependent on the merchant, the keeper of the finished product, for his supplies. The day laborer is dependent on the employer for his wages.

Never would the American people have developed the natural resources of their great country if they had not divided up their work and said to the farmer, raise your crops and nothing else; to the miner, work at your task; to the manufacturer, produce the finished product for the consumer; to our great country has been developed and is being developed as a result of our own people grasping the principle of division of labor.

The children's jubilee of good health follows the use of Bee's Laxative Honey and Tar, the cough syrup that expels all cold from the system by acting as a cathartic on the bowels. A certain remedy for Croup, Whooping Cough and all lung and bronchial affections. Sold by S. R. Biggs.

THE FUNCTIONS OF A COUNTY PAPER.

It is the function of a county paper to give as much county news as possible, and if we are to have a good county paper the people must subscribe to the paper and pay up their subscription regularly.

You need not expect to find as much news in it as you do in the big daily, but you do expect to find in it something that you could not possibly find in any other paper—you expect to find county news. Therefore we think each town of the county should send in its items of interest, and thereby help the paper get the news and make it readable to all classes of citizens.

The people of this corporation—our county—should look after the advancement of our citizens first along educational, moral and industrial lines; then after these are accomplished it would be time enough for us to go abroad in the other counties and take a great interest in them. It is the duty of the citizens of the towns within our borders to advance the interest of their town along these several lines of progress.

If one section of the county surpasses another section let's put that in the county paper and thus tell the other sections of their laziness. The true citizen of a section of the county will do this. He will glory in the progress of his section and he will not let that fact "waste its sweetness on the desert air."

Griffins district should let Beargrass know what she is doing. She should show how she is surpassing Beargrass, from her (Griffins) point of view, for surely nobody else but a native of Griffins is going to "talk her wares," and vice versa with Beargrass, she should tell how she surpasses Griffins.

The only medium of communication is your county paper, THE ENTERPRISE. So let's have these letters in our paper every week from the different sections of the county, and let each correspondent talk his section.

The more each section thrives the more the county will thrive. We want to see a healthy rivalry along educational, moral and industrial lines. Then and not till then will we see a most progressive county.

Our county is what we make it. So let's make her the ideal county of the State—the Utopia of North Carolina.

The Warning of History and the Message of Reason.

Every American has a solemn duty to perform, but to the leaders and the moulders of public opinion civilization has never entrusted a more sacred charge than that which devolves upon them to-day for upon them depends the rescue and reinstatement of democracy. If they fail the republic now, reaction and the slow death of free institutions will surely come as did the decline and fall of Rome when vast fortunes became concentrated in the hands of the few, when centralization and militarism became dominant influences in government and when the fine idealism of the earlier days gave place to materialistic egoism, gross, sordid and voluptuous in spirit and character.

As Thomas Nast awakened the sleeping conscience of the Empire City, so in the present hour of exposure of nation-wide corruption due to corporate wealth and privileged interests, no single class of men have done more than American cartoonists. They are forcing the millions to see things as they are. They are doing a work of incalculable value to democracy and the cause of justice and civic righteousness.—The Arena.

Pinesalve is the best salve for sores, burns, boils, tetter, eczema, skin diseases and piles. Sold by

Developing Our Cotton Export

No bill yet presented by a Southerner is attracting more attention than the measure introduced by Senator Overman looking to the development of our foreign cotton trade. "It provides for a commission of five members to be appointed by the Senate, to serve for three years at a salary of \$6,000 a year each, this commission to have the aid of experts, both general and special, as it may be deemed advisable to employ," the object being to investigate all opportunities for increasing our foreign cotton exports, and promote plans looking to this end.

There is undoubtedly a great opportunity for just such a commission as Senator Overman proposes. It has been estimated by high authorities that to clothe the world properly a cotton crop of 40,000,000 bales would be inadequate. Take China, as an example of cotton possibilities; and we cannot do better just here than to quote a paragraph from the speech of Captain Richmond Pearson Hobson at the New Orleans Cotton Convention:

"I came here to give you information from first hand, for I have had a great many Chinamen who worked under my direction, and whose work I inspected from day to day, while they were building gunboats, and if they were doing that work for you, I would judge the wages of such hard-working men to be about forty to fifty cents a day. Now I investigated this matter thoroughly, and as far as I could get any information, I found the real wages of these men to be about five cents a day. Their families are large, and, of course, they can't afford too much for food, clothing, or anything else and what is the result? The average Chinaman wears about half a suit of cloths. They are cotton for they don't wear wool over there. It's a mistake to say it's silk, for only the mandarins can wear silk. Now there were many of these coolies who would come down from the interior, that I saw working on these gunboats, and pretty soon I would see one come down with a whole suit on. That wasn't all. It got a little colder, and I found that same cooly before long, would come down with two suits of cloths on, the second pulled over the first. Later he would come down with three, four, five, six and seven, the last suit made of cotton, so that when you see him coming down the street, he looks like a walking cotton bale."

In the opinion of Captain Hobson, China alone with its 43,000,000 people, if properly developed, would consume the entire crop of the world now. Or to put the matter even more vividly, we may recall the now famous remark of Wu Ting Fang to Senator McLaughlin, of South Carolina: "If my people use cotton as you people do and every Chairman should need one inch to his shirt, that alone would consume an entire cotton crop of the South."

We must hold down our cotton acreage to the world's demands; but if it can be done, it is a far wiser policy to increase demand than reduce supply.

With the backing of the Cotton Growers' Association, Cotton Spinners' Association, and Southern industrial bodies generally, the outlook for the passage of the Overman Bill is already very bright, but we suggest that it will make assurance doubly sure if each County Cotton Association, each Sub-Alliance, and each Board of Trade in Progressive Farmer districts will pass resolutions asking its adoption.—Progressive Farmer.

Have you been betrayed by promises of quacks, swallowed pills and bottled medicine without results except a damaged stomach. To those we offer Hollier's Rocky Mountain Tea. 35. J. M. Whithers & Co Robertsonville.

Somewhat we cannot sympathize with the man who got shot while holding up a friend as a pleasant joke. Nothing short of shooting will cure that brand of humorist.

The reason Dr. Dade's Little Liver Pills give perfect satisfaction is due to their tonic effect on the liver. They never gripe. Sold by S. R. Biggs.

The Jar of Coughing

Hammer blows, steadily applied, break the hardest rock. Coughing, day after day, jars and tears the throat and lungs until the healthy tissues give way. Ayer's Cherry Pectoral stops the coughing, and heals the torn membranes.

"I always keep Ayer's Cherry Pectoral in the house. It gives perfect relief, whenever any of us have coughs or hard colds. I have used it for a great many years and know all about it."—Mrs. MARY OSBORN, Vero Beach, Fla.



The Free Pass.

Senator La Follette, of Wisconsin who defied the party machine in his State and made himself famous by unearthing many of the abuses whose discovery has led to the passage of the rate regulation bill, believes—and wisely—that this is an opportune time to strike at another great evil of our transportation business: the free pass. He has introduced a bill which "forbids all persons and corporations giving free passes or franks to any political committee or its employees, to any candidate for an office under the Constitution or laws of the United States or to any holder of such an office."

This measure ought to become a law. The free pass in its final analysis is hardly anything more or less than a polite form of bribery. If a man is a gentleman, he cannot help feeling under obligation to a corporation which has done him a favor; if he is not a gentleman, he is likely to be corrupted by the mere fear of losing the pass. And the point has been well made that when a judge or legislator accepts a pass, it amounts to the railroad paying a part of his salary—the man chosen to serve all the people partly paid by a corporation with whom the public has to deal!—Progressive Farmer.

A GUARANTEED CURE FOR PILES Itching, Blind, Bleeding Piles. Druggists are authorized to refund money if PIAZO OINTMENT fails to cure in 6 to 14 days. 50c. 1-5-06-17

Boston the Rich.

Boston is the center of the wealthiest and the best purchasing community in the country without any exception whatever. In the purchasing ability of the average person Boston is far ahead of all, according to the national census. Per capita wealth of the people of Boston, \$1,942; New York, \$1,337; Philadelphia, \$1,127; Chicago, \$1,016; St. Louis, \$918.

One-twentieth of the wealth of the United States is within fifty miles of Boston. One-fifth of the savings of the people of the United States is in Massachusetts savings and co-operative banks to the credit of Massachusetts depositors.—Boston Globe.

Now is the time to guard the health and strength of lungs. The best remedy to use for coughs and colds is Bee's Laxative Honey and Tar. The only cough syrup that does not constipate the bowels, but which on the other hand, expels all cold from the system by acting as a pleasant laxative. Best for coughs, colds, croup, whooping cough, etc. Sold by S. R. Biggs.

Thieves visited the residence of Common Councilman Ardis, of Philadelphia, on Sunday morning and got away with cash and jewelry valued at \$500. Councilman Ardis voted for the Philadelphia gas steel. Now he knows how it feels to have the "boot on the other leg."

It is a sin to suffer with backache and pains over the Kidneys when a single dose of Pine-ules will give relief in one night. Suffering women should heed these warnings ere it is too late. Female troubles may result. Pine-ules will strengthen the kidneys and aid bladder, cleanse the blood and relieve the aches and pains of Neuralgia and Rheumatism. Sold by S. R. Biggs.

HARDWARE!

Our farming implements are already here and are on exhibit at our same place. We are offering values not prices. Start with a stalk cutter, grub plow, cultivator harrow, smoothing harrow and disc cultivator. Prepare the soil and you are sure to win. Inviting your inspection. Very truly,

BUCK'S SIMPSON HARDWARE CO.

BIG REDUCTION

In Clothing

Wright's Underwear \$1.72 1-2 a Suit

Don't forget our complete and up-to-date line of Millinery and Ladie's Fancy Dress Goods.

We guarantee to please all, so come and give us a trial.



Very Respectfully,
G. D. Garstarphen & Co.

THE MEN

of most fastidious tastes, as well as men of all physiques, can make satisfactory selection of their Spring and Summer needs, from the well known assortment of Made-to-Measure Materials shown by STROUSE & BROS., makers of the Celebrated High-Art Clothing.

Their expert cutter will be at our store MONDAY and TUESDAY, March 12th and 13th and will be glad to receive your order. Faultless Fit, Superior Workmanship and Up-to-Date Styles.

J. L. Hassell & Company,
Williamston, North Carolina.

BEST BALTO. HAMS 15c.

Fresh meats that are a pleasure to eat because fresh and tender. The stringy kind is an abomination, no matter how little the price. No danger of getting that kind here.

CHOICE RIB ROAST 10c. BEST RIB ROAST 12 1/2c.
BEST SIRLOIN STAKE 12 1/2c.

BUYER OF ALL KINDS OF POULTRY.
J. R. WALKER, City Market.

D. S. Biggs, Pres. C. D. Carstarphen, V.-Pres. F. F. Fagan, Cashier.

REPORT OF THE CONDITION OF
The Farmers and Merchants Bank
AT WILLIAMSTON, N. C.
At close of business Jan. 29th, 1906.

RESOURCES.	LIABILITIES.
Loans and discounts \$72,103.64	Capital stock \$25,000.00
Furniture and fixtures 1,632.56	Undivided profits 965.72
Due from banks 25,269.23	Dividends unpaid 18.00
Cash on hand 5,245.09	Deposits 72,986.62
\$104,250.52	Notes & bills re-discount'd 5,280.18
	\$104,250.52

The Farmers and Merchants Bank began business on June 1, 1905, with a paid capital of \$25,000.00. On January 1, 1906, a dividend of six per cent. of the capital stock was declared and paid to the stockholders. On February 1 the capital stock of the Bank was increased to \$25,000.00.

We are now in better position than ever to accommodate our customers, and we respectfully solicit accounts. We give special attention to collections and remit for same promptly on moderate terms. Three per cent. interest paid on time deposits.

CONDENSED REPORT OF
Bank of Martin County
AT WILLIAMSTON, N. C.
At the close of business January 29, 1906.

RESOURCES.	LIABILITIES.
Loans and discounts \$50,635.48	Capital stock \$15,000.00
Overdrafts 4,045.62	Surplus fund 7,500.00
Other stocks, bonds, etc. 1,000.00	Undivided profits 3,682.70
Furniture and fixtures 1,850.00	Time certificates of deposit 29,549.20
Demand loans 3,739.87	Deposits subject to check 76,038.18
Due from banks and bankers 30,383.55	
Silver coin, etc. 3,119.56	
130,779.08	\$130,779.08

We solicit your account whether large or small, we will allow you interest by special agreement. When we can serve you call on us.

WHEELER MARTIN J. G. STATION J. G. GODARD
President Vice President Cashier

To Cure a Cold in One Day

Take Laxative Bromo Quinine Tablets. on every box. 25c.

Seven Million boxes sold in past 12 months. This signature, E. H. ...