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SNAPSHOTS.

Hon. C. M. Depew junior senator from New York is the most "extinguished" gentleman in public life.

All this distracting excitement about statehood, railway rates and Philippine tariffs must be highly gratifying to Reed Smoot and the Mormons.

We should hate to see Count Goluchowski dropped from the Austrian cabinet; he might be succeeded by somebody with an unpronounceable name.

Senator Clark, of Montana, has achieved another distinction, for a Western man. The Supreme Court has certified that he got his large landholdings honestly.

Dr. Depew is to be dropped from the Yale board of trustees next, they say. There's one thing about it, every time Dr. Depew is dropped he doesn't have so far to fall.

Reports from Maine and the New England States say that almost the normal crop of ice is being housed. This puts a new and interesting phase to the question "Where did you get it?"

Cincinnati bankers have warned the graft committee not to sink its spade too deep, for fear it may spoil good reputations. What's the odds? A big grafter needs "smoking" as well as little ones.

Uncles of Governor Johnson, of Minnesota, have been lost for fifty years in Aurora, Ill. Searchers should look along the line of the suburban railway. They may have been waiting all this time for a train.

The Roosevelt letter to John Mitchell on the subject of the coal strike is said to be personal and unofficial. All the same, it is to be noted that it is dated from the White House, and is likely to be treated accordingly.

It always did run in the "Cromwell family" to be the "whole thing" if possible, and the Cromwell of the Panama canal, appears to be doing his best to keep up family traditions that Oliver started some time ago.

Doubtless General Keifer, of Springfield, Ohio, will continue to serenely point the finger of scorn at the Southern States whenever they indulge in mob violence, as the General is quite "far-sighted" he can not see trouble around him.

Hon. F. A. Woodard in his speech before the Supreme Court says "the Coast Line makes two million dollars annually from its operations in North Carolina, and that it seems to evade the expenditure of \$15 a day for the convenience of the people who live along its line."

When a citizen sends matter by mail he is charged according to the weight of the package. Newspapers pay according to actual weight of each shipment. But when the government pays there is a "system of averages;" one month's weighing with payments for four years based on that average. There is nothing like it in all business, yet under it the government pays the railroads \$40,000,000 annually.

In the spring time you renovate your house. Why not your body? Hollister's Rocky Mountain Tea drives out impurities, cleanses and enriches the blood and purifies the entire system. 35 cents. J. M. Whitters & Co., Robersonville, N. C.

TO REDUCE TAXES.

Talking to Manager Farmer this morning about dispensary profits he informed us that the law provides that the first \$6,400 shall go to the city, and the second \$6,400 to the county. Then if there shall be more profit it must be divided equally between town and county. As to the disposition of the funds the city's share is entirely at the disposal of the city government, while the county's share is divided equally between the schools and roads, and none is used for any other purpose. The dispensary made last year \$24,000 and as a result there is less drunkenness and there is more money in both the city and county treasuries.

We understand it is the aim of the city government to reduce taxes as soon as the new market house is paid for, and our finances which are getting into a healthy condition, are in better shape.

Having claimed the demon of drink he should now be loaned out to Captain Massey to improve the road system of the county. For verily \$6,000 per year will build many a mile of good road in the years to come if judiciously expended.

We give above a clipping from the Wilson Times. The whole tone of the piece is profits, Tax Reduction.

The "less drunkenness" clause seems to be a secondary matter and it always is.

The prime object of a dispensary is to reduce taxes not to embetter morals.

If whiskey is an evil then it is worse than an evil for the government to pass it out to the consumers thereof.

The only logical ground the government can stand on is, Prohibition and this has proven to be impracticable.

There are just laws regulating the sale of liquors and if they are enforced the whiskey question becomes a minor one; if they are not enforced then public opinion is going to step in and dictate and execute methods of controlling the sale of liquors rigidly.

It is nothing but folly for a government which says it stands primarily for morals to undertake to control the whiskey traffic, recognized as the very meanest of businesses, and every time a town government takes charge of this business the local paper will praise the earning powers of it, how it reduces taxes and the net revenue of it.

A man has no more right to say all bar-tenders are mean, we contend, than he has to say all preachers are good. A bar-tender can be as honest as any man. He would not be in the bar business if he were not demanded by the community in which he lives. Hence it is folly to say that he is the meanest of men because he sells whiskey—a local necessity.

In the dispensary system the community becomes the bar-tender and glories in its revenues—tax reduction.

The government must not elevate the filthy lure idea. We believe the best solution of the whiskey question is the open bar with the most stringent restrictions. If bar men persistently violate the laws then don't give them licenses.

We firmly oppose a dispensary because it does not stand for a moral up-lift but makes the whole country bar-tenders and makes for nothing good save tax reduction, and this is a tendency towards anarchy, for if people don't have to pay much tax they are not going to take much interest in the government; there will be no "this-is-mineness" to hold the people in close touch with their governmental affairs.

Of two evils we say choose the lesser. Monetary considerations are becoming of primary importance in our State. May Martin hold to the paths of her fathers. Let's not sell our birthright.

For Headache, constipation, etc. Dade's Little Liver Pills are best. They cleanse and tonic the liver. Sold by S. R. Biggs.

HARKEN TO THIS.

Our business men should make an effort to establish some manufacturing enterprise in Edenton. The community at large would be greatly benefited by the location here of concerns of this kind. Some inducements should be held out to the new-comers and capital should be invited to settle among us. We should seek to co-operate with our able Governor in his efforts to bring about an industrial awakening throughout the State.—Edenton Transcript.

Let the citizens of our town heed to the Edenton Transcript and do all within their power to get new-comers and capitalist to settle among us and establish manufacturing enterprise here.

Trade and Sentiment.

In spite of the Chinese boycott it appears from reports recently sent out from Washington that our trade with celestials is on the increase. According to these reports the total exports for the seven months ending January 1905, amounted to \$23,432,948, whereas, for the seven months ending January, 1906, they equaled \$28,862,680, or a total increase of \$5,429,732.

The shipments of cotton cloth goods for the period first mentioned amounted to \$12,947,530, while for the seven months ending January, 1906, they were \$19,606,848.

Human nature is much the same the world over, and there is little sentiment in business. So long as we give the Celestials the goods they want they will continue to purchase. This does not alter the fact, however that we should be fair in our dealings with the Chinese. It will not do for us to open our doors to the coolies, and the Chinese do not expect it, but we should treat Chinese citizens of other classes with the same consideration that we treat visitors from other foreign lands. We should do this as a matter of morals regardless of any commercial consideration. We should do it for our own honor and for the sake of our own reputation.—Richmond Dispatch.

Edgcombe's Largest Tree.

A great many of our people do not know that Edgcombe county can boast of probably the largest tree in the State. It is an immense pine located on what is known as Coany Swamp and is owned by Dr. Mercer. Some time ago a friend of Mr. W. E. Parrish, of this city, asked him to buy the tree at almost any price. His purpose in buying the tree was to cut a block from it to make an exhibition, advertising his business, that of saws, at the Jamestown Exposition, his idea being to station a table in the center of the block with an ax on it and about six chairs surrounding same. Dr. Mercer refused to allow the tree to be cut down. This tree is said to measure about ten feet through and to be about 175 feet high. It is estimated that if the tree was cut into wood it would make about twelve cords, and that it would cut a total of about 7,000 feet of lumber. It is also said that the reason the tree has never been cut down to this day is that when it was first discovered it was so large no one felt like undertaking the task.—Rocky Mount Record.

Three little rules we all should keep. To make life happy and bright, Smile in the morning, smile at night. Take Rocky Mountain Tea at night.—J. M. Whitters & Co., Robersonville, N. C.

The tar that is contained in Bee's Laxative Honey and Tar is harmless. It is not coal tar, but is obtained from the pine trees of our own native forests. Bee's Laxative Honey and Tar is the best remedy for colds because it acts on the bowels—thus expelling all colds from the system. Bee's is the original Laxative Honey and Tar, and is best for coughs, colds, croup, whooping cough, lung and bronchial affections. Sold by S. R. Biggs.

While dodging Missouri Mr. Rockefeller is also doubtless training his memory to forget, so it would be of no use if Missouri should suddenly come round the corner of the alley some morning with a subpoena when he happened to be at the back door haggling with the milk man over the price of milk.

Salve! Salve! Spread the Salve, but let it be Pine Salve, nature's remedy for cuts, burns, sores, etc. Sold by S. R. Biggs.

A Chicago paper says: "The Standard Oil Company is trying to get closer to the public." It has long been within "touching" distance, what more does it want?"

TO CURE A COLD IN ONE DAY. Take LAXATIVE BROMO Quinine Tablets. Druggists refund money if it fails to cure. B. W. GROVE'S signature on the box. 25c.

Speech of Mr. Joyner.

The summer educational campaign for the State was started here on Wednesday of last week by Mr. James Y. Joyner, the State superintendent of public instruction. He came by the invitation of Prof. Peel, our county superintendent, and made four speeches in the county—here in the court house, at Lilley's and Griffin's school houses and at Robersonville on Friday night. His speeches were interesting and well worthy of the man and the work he is doing. There was a fairly good crowd but not what such a man and such a subject as Mr. Joyner represents deserves at the hands of the people of Williamston and Martin county.

Mr. Joyner began by saying that he was glad to know that he was in a town where there was a graded school, and one established with little or no opposition. It is always an indication of enlightenment and progress when you find communities in the real progressive channel by laying the foundation of all things that are good, pure and true—that is education, the source of progress as has been proven by all history.

Egypt and Assyria were leaders in the more ancient times as the result of educational enlightenment. Greece ruled the world because of her general educational system of developing every child. This was true of Rome when her education was as general as conditions could make it. When Prussia lay bleeding at the feet of France, her conqueror, her wise men after prayerful consideration saw that the only way to rebuild her state and people and restore her fortune and wealth was universal education, it was decreed that every Prussian child should attend the schools of the Prussian government, and the world to day knows the result. In the next struggle France lay bleeding at the feet of Prussia.

Coming to our own time he used the illustration of Russia and Japan. On the one hand was brute force, on the other was skill, educated soldiers and scientific methods of warfare. What were the odds in numbers and what were the advantages of education? We know the facts and the results. Not only is education the source of wealth and power, but there is something better and more divine.

Who can tell when you will uncover a jewel when you educate a child from the rags of the poor to a better and higher stage of life? One invention which relieves the human suffering or exalts human-kind which might come from the class unable to educate itself, will be worth all the tax taken in educating them, and statistics show that one half of our progress comes from this class. Every plant in the kingdom is entitled to the rain and sunshine, so is every child to the light of an education. Who can expect his fields to yield good fruit unless they are cultivated? Is the human mind less dependent on its own kind? The child belongs to itself, to its family, its community, its State, the Nation, the world and to God, and it is dependent on its own State to give it the development that will make it of worth to all these relations.

The State, too, should be the educator of its people for its own good, for the strong State is founded on a strong citizenship, and the State in developing the child for its own benefit is making the most of the child.

The speech was illustrated by examples taken from every day life and history and was not only highly theoretic but equally as practical and applicable to every day affairs.

A Doctor's Medicine

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Notice.

Having qualified as executor to the Will of Elisha Everett, deceased, notice is hereby given to all persons holding claims against said estate to present them either to me or my attorneys for payment or this notice will be pleaded in bar of their recovery. All persons indebted to said estate are requested to make immediate payment. This January 31, 1906. JAMES A. EVERETT, Executor. Winston & Everett, Attys. 2-9-6t

Notice.

By virtue of an order of the Superior Court of Martin county in a special proceeding entitled John Daniel Biggs guardian, et al. ex parte, I will sell for cash at the court house in Williamston, N. C., on Monday, March 19, 1906, at public auction the following land, to-wit: A tract of land adjoining Hyman Bowen on the north, David Harrison on the east, Reuben Rogerson on the south and Noah Roberson on the west, containing twenty-five acres more or less, and known as lot No. 7 in the division of the Benjamin Bowen land among his heirs at law. This February 13, 1906. WHEELER MARTIN, Commissioner. 2-16-6t

Notice.

By order of the Superior Court of Martin county entered in the special proceeding there pending, entitled Richard U. Norfleet and others, ex parte to the court, I will sell for cash to the highest bidder at the court house door in Williamston, N. C., at 12 M., on Monday, March 19th, 1906, the following tract of land in Martin county, N. C.: That part of the Joseph J. Williams "Home Place" which was allotted to Henry P. Fugh in the land division had among the heirs at law of Mrs. Charity Fugh, which is lot No. 7 of said land division which see for better description and which land contains 9 1/2 acres more or less. This February 16th, 1906. FRANCIS D. WINSTON, Commissioner. Winston & Everett, Attys. 2-23-6t

Notice.

Having qualified as administrator upon the estate of James E. Moore, deceased, notice is hereby given to all persons holding claims against said estate to present them to the undersigned for payment on or before the first day of February, 1907, or this notice will be pleaded in bar of recovery. All persons indebted to said estate are requested to make immediate payment. This Feb. 13, 1906. WHEELER MARTIN, Administrator. 2-16-6t

Notice.

Having qualified as administrator of the estate of the late Hugh Pitts, deceased, this is to give notice to all parties holding claims to present them at once or this notice will be pleaded in bar of their recovery. All persons holding claims against the estate will settle them at once. This Feb. 1, 1906. JOSHUA PITTS, Adm'r. Winston & Everett, Attys. 2-9-6t

Notice.

Having qualified as administrator upon the estate of Luke Council, deceased, this is to notify all persons holding claims against said estate to present them for payment on or before the first day of February, 1907, or this notice will be pleaded in bar of their recovery. All persons indebted to said estate will please make immediate payments. This February 1, 1906. HENRY COUNCIL, Administrator. 2-9-6t

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WATCH THIS SPACE

For our Announcement of Spring Millinery About April 1st.

Miss Laura Jones, who has had charge of our Millinery Department for several seasons, will be with us again this year.

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AT WILLIAMSTON, N. C. At close of business Feb. 6th, 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
		Notes & bills re-discount'd	5,280.18
			\$104,250.52
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The Farmers and Merchants Bank began business on June 1, 1905, with a paid up capital of \$15,000.00. 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.

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