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A QUESTION.

As we sit in our sanctum thinking of the probable outcome of the prohibition movement, we think of the many localities that are at present enjoying local option, or prohibition. From statements seen in various papers all of them are in better condition under prohibition laws than they were under the dispensary or licensed saloons. We also think of some of the papers in those dry places carrying whiskey advertisements. Now, the question, is it right for the papers in dry territory to carry whiskey advertisements?

In the cities, towns, and counties where the people have voted out whiskey are not the papers violating the spirit of the prohibition, or local option laws, in carrying whiskey ads? Are not the papers taking the place of the whiskey salesmen, and soliciting orders for the houses advertising in their columns?

By discontinuing whiskey ads would not the papers help to make prohibition prohibit?

Representative Adam Bede, the wit of the House, made a speech in which he said he had favored all the President's policies including the "simple life" a "strenuous life" and the improved simple spelling, but that he would like for him to trade the Philippines to Great Britain for Ireland, so that we would raise our own policemen.

Senator Aldrich is credited with saying that the Dingley tariff schedules will be increased, if disturbed at all. The Republican party hasn't the slightest idea of making that a battle-cry this year, however.

"Paris gowns are designed by 'Satan,'" says a clergyman. Personally the men who have to pay for them have never doubted it.

A diet of peanuts and sour milk is said to insure longevity, but who would care to live on such a diet?

Who will want to be the Speaker of the House after the reformation.

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Mr. Small on the Ship Subsidy

Last Friday was a day of rejoicing for the Democrats in the House at Washington City. The ship subsidy came up tacked onto an appropriation bill, but was soon detected, and defeated. Mr. Small our alert Congressman was on hand and opposed the measure. The following taken from a Washington special to the News and Observer gives Mr. Small's position:

Representative Small had two minutes, but he made a ringing speech against the subsidy. He cited the fact that the amendment

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doubles the amount paid for carrying the ocean mails of the second and third class and that there is no pretense that the increase is for the purpose of extending the mail facilities. "It is admitted," he said, "under the guise of an amendment to the post-office appropriation bill a ship subsidy pure and simple."

Mr. Small pointed out that there were extended hearings before the committee by advocates of the ship subsidy and gentlemen from the post-office department, and that while they advocated this proposition as a benefit to the ship in the foreign trade not once did they consider that it was for the benefit of the ocean mail service.

Continuing, Mr. Small said: "If we are going to subsidize ships let us do it in manly, open, candid way, and not under the guise of appropriation. (Applause.) If you favor subsidized ships then make this appropriation directly out of the treasury and not fasten it upon the postoffice department and thereby increase the already large deficit."

According to the program of the Republicans a disagreement was had in conference and the bill was returned to Congress Saturday for another vote. The following is taken from The News and Observer's Washington correspondent in Sunday's paper:

GREATEST FIGHT IN A DECADE

The greatest fight of the past decade in Congress has been that to pass the ship subsidy bill. It began in 1898, when Mark Hanna pressed the issue in the Senate, and has been renewed each succeeding year, only to meet defeat by a combination of Democrats and Independent Republicans, who refused to bow to the powers that be in the G. O. P. The fight this year has been probably the most persistent yet made.

Mr. John H. Small, in his interesting speech in the House against the bill said among other things:

"I have here a clipping from the New York Sun of the 17th inst., from its Washington correspondent, giving an interview with Francis T. Bowles, formerly an Admiral in the navy, and now at the head of a private ship building company. The interview quotes Mr. Bowles as urgently advocating this legislation as an aid to our ship building industry, and he further states that this mail subsidy is in danger of failing to become a law on account of the 'incapacity' of a few Republican Congressmen. I suppose this eminent prospective forager upon the treasury assumes that all Democrats are suffering under incapacity for looting the treasury, but that such defect only applies to a few of the gentlemen upon the other side.

"The amendment under consideration contains a proviso that the amount expended for ocean mail service in any year shall not exceed

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the estimated revenues for the current year. It is stated that such a limitation constitutes a justification for this legislation. Let us see. I wish to point out the inconsistency and the ineffectiveness of this proviso. In the first place it is doubtful if there is any profit upon our ocean mail service as operated at the present time, upon a proper and just calculation. The alleged profit has been obtained by deducting the sum now paid for carrying the ocean mail from the gross sum received from ocean postage. This is an improper method, as can be shown. Most of the ocean mail matter originates from interior points but the cost of that part of the service is ignored. Neither is the cost of administration of any part of the postal service taken into consideration. The aggregate of these two items added to the sum now paid for carrying ocean mail would largely reduce, if not extinguish the alleged profit on the present ocean mail service.

"Again under the act of March 3rd, 1891, which it is sought to amend, it is provided in section 1 of the original act that ocean mail contracts shall be made for not less than five and not more than ten years. Does any one doubt that the alleged profits would be estimated at a large sum, and that contracts would be entered into for the maximum term of ten years. Therefore, is it not apparent that proviso is not effectual, even for the purpose intended and does not remove the objectionable features from this legislation. The amendment ought to be rejected, and the only way to do so is to reject the entire Conference report."

Mr. Small is continually taking such stands as this and his people of the First District are satisfied that they have the right man at Washington.

A Californian's Luck

"The luckiest day of my life was when I brought a box of Bucklen's Arnica Salve," writes Charles F. Budahn of Tracy, California. "Two 25c. boxes cured me of an annoying case of itching piles, which had troubled me for years and that yielded to no other treatment." Sold under guarantee at All Druggists.

Craig Still Gaining

(Raleigh Times)
The Craig supporters in the three-cornered contest for the gubernatorial nomination have felt very well for some weeks back along, and, as the result of Saturday's voting in seven new counties, all regarded as neutral territory and, therefore, fairly indicative of the ultimate result, the manager of the Buncombe man's canvass is wearing the smile that can't be amputated and the Craig men all along the line consider their man so near to the nomination that nothing but a miracle can bring about the selection of Congressman Kitchin or Col. Horne.

Mr. Craig carried Catawba, Pender, Davie, Pamlico, and Duplin. These were not essentially Craig counties by virtue of geographical location, and the claim of the anti-Craig men that on neutral ground Congressman Kitchin would make greater gains than Mr. Craig has not yet been made good. Mr. Craig's lead is 61 and a fraction, very good in consideration of the tremendous efforts the Kitchin men and the Horne men have been making to carry counties outside the Craig end of the state and thereby make it appear that the Buncombe county man has no general strength around the state.

It seems that the democrats of North Carolina recognize the fitness and the excellent record of Mr. Craig and believe he should be the next governor of the Tarheel state. There is every reason to believe he will be.

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PROGRESSIVENESS THE KEY TO PROSPERITY.

Washington Messenger

In some sections there are local clubs being organized under the name of Prosperity Clubs. The idea seems to be to get citizens to talk up and work up their towns and in other ways to stimulate local trade activity, and so create business in all commercial lines, to overcome the present dullness.

Too much talk is often harmful. The boom town is apt to be the bluff town, and it does not take much to puncture it, and so prove the emptiness of its claims. Prosperity is a relative term. It can belong to a few, and exclude the many. In times of depression every profession, trade and industry suffers in degree. There may be dull seasons, which affect just certain classes of business. One merchant may not be doing enough to pay expenses, while his next door neighbor may be making money.

Community building calls for progressive building. That is, the leading factors contributing to local trade, good transportation service, agricultural interests, good country roads, local manufacturing, good water and sanitation. All these contribute to community interests and this means that every citizen enjoys in some proportionate degree the benefits, and not a few, or a single class are the sole beneficiaries. A people that are always progressive will find themselves prosperous. It is the local effort continually, towards upbuilding that finds results coming. This does not mean organizations for occasions to promote, but it is the always ready to push forward that means progress, and from it develops growth and prosperous local conditions.

Mr. John Ritha of Vining, Ia., says, "I have been selling DeWitt's Kidney and Bladder Pills for about a year and they give better satisfaction than any pill I ever sold. There are a dozen people here who have used them and they give perfect satisfaction in every case. I have used them myself with fine results." Sold by Chase's Drug Store and Biggs Drug Store.

FUNERAL OF MRS. W. C. HASSELL

The funeral of the late Mrs. W. C. Hassell took place yesterday afternoon from the residence, conducted by Rev. A. P. Tyer, of the Methodist church, of which the deceased was a member. The interment was made, in the Oakdale cemetery. She is survived by a husband and two daughters. Misses Eva and Mary Hassell.

The entire community was saddened by the death. Mrs. Hassell came to this city with her husband, a prominent lumber manufacturer, five years ago from Williamston, and soon won for herself a large circle of warm friends. For the past year Mrs. Hassell has been a great sufferer.

The floral tributes from many friends were beautiful emblems of the esteem in which she was held. The rites at the grave were unusually impressive.

The Daughters of the Confederacy attended the funeral in a body.—Washington Messenger.

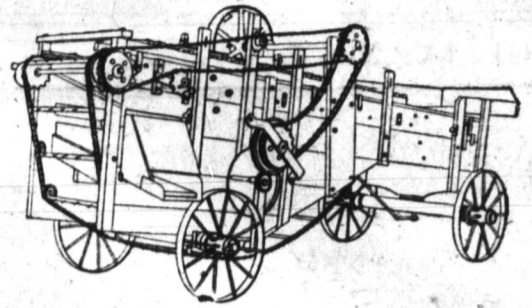
The Messenger is mistaken about Mrs. Hassell coming from Williamston, she moved to Washington from Plymouth. Mr. W. C. Hassell, husband of the deceased, is a brother of Dr. U. S. Hassell of Jamesville. The family lived in Jamesville for a number of years, afterwards moving to Plymouth.

The friends of the deceased in this county will be saddened to learn of the death, and the deepest sympathy will go out to the bereaved husband and daughters.

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