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An independent candidate is one who has the promise of all the Republican voter and hopes to get some polluted Democratic votes.

As expected Big William has bowed at the feet of the mighty Theodore. New York Republicans are alarmed and want help. They gave the cold shoulder to Roosevelt and now see the mistake.

The premium list of the Fiftieth State Fair which will be held at Raleigh, October 17-22 has been received. It is a handsome edition and the list of premiums is a valuable one. Our farmers and their wives should enter the contest.

The victory of the regular Democratic ticket in the Halifax primary is gratifying and was expected. The campaign was a very bitter one, but now the smoke has cleared away and the party will stand together at the polls in November.

R. A. P. Cooley is evidently fond of defeat. Failing to get the nomination for Solicitor, he is now declaring his candidacy against Congressman Pou. "What fyols these mortals be."

"Pledge Your Candidate to the Torrens System," says The Progressive Farmer. That paper was the first in the South to advocate the Torrens System of registering land titles. The Farmers' Unions of both Carolinas have advocated the system. When one takes notes of the many land suits in which often the real owner of the land loses out, then the advantages of the system are more clearly seen. Under it the State would guarantee the title and the deed would be safer than a bond, for "Nature, having made land far more indestructible than governments, would better guarantee the safety of the deed."

The whiskey men had a great many things to say about Wilmington before prohibition went into effect. They declared that the taxes would be "awful." A record of taxes for years shows that the rate now (\$1.30) is lower than for thirty-two years previous. The rate in the county is three cents higher but this is for school improvement for more children are attending school since prohibition has prevailed. The police blotter shows that the last year and a half with open saloons there were 2,921 arrests made. The first year and a half of prohibition the arrests were 1,820, a difference of 1,101. Comment is unnecessary—the explanation should come from the whiskey men.

We publish on the first page of this issue a strong article on the legalized primary taken from the News and Observer of recent date. We have urged from time to time the need in our county of something save the open convention. The ill effects of these open gatherings of voters have been seen by the thinking men of the county for years. Now is the time to stand together and urge our representative in the next Legislature to work for the passage of a bill, making the primary a law of the State. In the counties which have already adopted the primary, the situation is far more satisfactory and pleasant than the open convention such as Mar-

tin has had and will be burdened with again. We cannot understand why our people are so slow to adopt the best thing in the management of political affairs. Can it be that any man is standing in the way of the adoption of better things for the people.

Thousands of North Carolinians have migrated to all parts of the country. This State has played a great part in the winning of the west and in the development of all sections. North Carolina virility, pluck and ability have proven notable factors in many other States. People from the Old North State have set their mark everywhere but have never lost their love for their mother State, North Carolina. Complete arrangements have been made for a great "Home-Coming Jubilee and Reunion" for all persons born in North Carolina; this to be held at Raleigh during the fiftieth State Fair, October 17-22. Mayor J. S. Wynne is chairman and Fred A. Olds secretary of the committee which has this matter in charge and they desire to obtain the names and addresses, as far as possible, of any people from this community who now reside in other States, in order that invitations may be sent them.

**Farmers State Convention**

The farmers of North Carolina will meet at the A. & M. College August 29th. The rooms at the college buildings are free but those desiring to stop there must carry towels, pillows and a light blanket. Meals to be furnished at twenty-five cents each. Delegates calling for tickets on the "certificate" plan can secure reduced return fare.

The programme for this convention is a very interesting one and great benefit may be had by those attending. Every feature of the farm life will be discussed by men trained in the work. The farmers in the State should take advantage of this meeting.

**A Costly Painting**

"My! but these art works do run into money," remarked a passenger. "When I was in Chicago I saw a little painting, about a foot square, that was held at five hundred dollars. If I had a million of money you'd never catch me paying five hundred dollars for a painting like that." "That's the way you talk," spoke up a bashful traveller, "but I'll guarantee that you have paid four times as much money for a painting not as tenth part as big." "What, me?" "Yes, you." "What kind of a painting." "The one at the end of your nose."

Some men are sadly remembered by what they have failed to do.

The error in judgment is a most vital wrong; to continue to judge wrongly after the right is known, destroys character.

Mrs. Gabble (to her new washerwoman)—My husband has descended from one of the finest houses in the land.

Mrs. Mulchy—An' phwat is he, a hod carrier?—Boston Transcript.

Boy—Another oxtail, please.  
Butcher—Did your mother like the last one she had?

Boy—Yes; and she says she wants this one off the same ox, please!—Week End.

**To the People of Martin County**

Having full confidence in your judgment and promising to abide your decision I hereby announce myself a candidate before the Democratic Convention for the office of Clerk of the Superior Court. Trusting that my long service to the party and unflinching loyalty to its principles will entitle me to your favorable consideration and support.

Respectfully,  
S. L. ROSS.

July 8th, 1910.

**Humor and Philosophy**

By DUNCAN M. SMITH

**PERT PARAGRAPHS.**

**GENIUS** may seem just a simple twist of the brain, but that's only seeming. It is mostly hard-work and plenty of it.

Things do not look so bad when the sun shines, but just look out how midnight catches you sleepless.

Rainbow gold looks all right from a distance, but did you ever get a near view of it?

The mountain wouldn't go to Mount of old, and the modern ones mostly seem to get it to fall on them.

Kindness doesn't cost much, and, as a general thing, that is just about what you get for it.

Pride and greed and paltry self sound sordid, but in actual doing they are pretty busy qualities.

An artistic liar frequently tells the truth, being an artist.

**The Latest Craze.**

Across the country far and near  
The aviator soaring  
Goes like an eager cannon ball  
The practice squad is shooting,  
Another want for haste and speed  
The human kind supplying.  
At last the upward goal attained,  
The worm called man is flying.

How easy since we know the way  
It seems aloft to tumble  
And make the eagles and their kind  
Observe us and feel humble!  
How fine it is to spread our wings  
And set the wheels in motion,  
Cross over rivers, lakes and plains,  
Nor turn back for the ocean!

Of course there are some things to do—  
That was to be expected—  
To make the wings secure and tame  
Before it is perfected.  
Six thousand years and maybe more  
Has man the earth been stalking,  
And so he cannot all at once  
Arise and fly like walking.

But it is coming. Don't you hear  
The engine wheels a-chugging?  
That little speck you see is man,  
A silver cloud bank hugging.  
And he will very shortly fly  
From pole to the equator,  
So get in line for nifter things  
And be an aviator.

**Some Hope.**

"I have been taking painting lessons."  
"So I see."  
"Then you saw some of my work."  
"What did you think of it?"  
"If you keep on improving you might find somebody who would let you paint his fence."

**Modern Improvement.**

"Demosthenes acquired a loud voice by practicing on the seashore where he could talk against the noise of the waves."  
"Those ancients had to put up with lots of inconveniences. Now, if he had had a piano and a musical daughter!"

**Pretty Cold.**

"Well, if that isn't the limit."  
"What?"  
"Ethere's latest idea."  
"What is that?"  
"She wants to take a hot air float with her when she goes in swimming."

**Sure Cure.**

DO NOT WAKE PAPA HE HASN'T BEEN CROSS FOR A DAY



"Do you know a cure for insomnia?"  
"Yes. Adjust matters with your conscience and quit abusing your family."

**Better Time.**

"My kingdom for a horse!" shouted the distracted monarch.  
"Sure?" said the street urchin.  
"Yes, indeed."  
"Aw, call a taxicab."

**Has Its Drawbacks.**

"Living in a cottage by the sea must be ideal."  
"But for one thing."  
"What's that?"  
"The landlord."

**Preference.**

"Are you fond of change?"  
"If nothing better offers."  
"Better?"  
"Yes; hundred dollar bills are a preference."

**Defined.**

"What is the ultimate consumer?"  
"He is the fellow that gets it from all sides and never has a chance for a come-back."

**Would Last Longer.**

"I hear you are in bad health."  
"I am dying by inches."  
"Say, it's mighty lucky for you you are so tall."

**The Lawyer.**

"Life is brief."  
"Yes, and top often it is a brief that you lose out on too."

**Economical.**

"Why didn't you marry him, Ethel?"  
"He is so stupid I should simply be wasted on him."

**Humor and Philosophy**

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**TO BEAT THEIR GAME.**

DO not worry over gossip  
Or what people say of you.  
Though you may feel very certain  
Not one-half of it is true.  
Be so busy with your labors  
You will not have time to fret  
Over idle tales of women  
In the sewing circle met.

They don't mean to hurt your feelings.  
They don't mean to do you wrong.  
When they get their tongues unlimbered  
They must put things rather strong.  
They must have their relaxation  
In their own and special field.  
If you furnish them a subject  
Some one else that much you shield.

Keep on sticking at your knitting.  
Making good the best you can.  
Be too busy to be bothered  
By the clacking of the clan.  
When a work you have accomplished  
That makes something of a show  
They will be the first and foremost  
To declare they told you so.

Only those whose minds are idle  
Have the time you ways to knock.  
They, not you, it is that suffers.  
You will never feel the snook.  
As you leave them in the distance,  
Going forward while they fail,  
You may know that their opinion  
Isn't worth a puppy's tail.

**Fagged.**

"You look all tired out."  
"I am."  
"What have you been doing?"  
"Dressing."  
"Dressing?"  
"Yes. If you were to try to keep up with the styles and dress according to the weather I think the lively bustling to keep one or the other of them from winging on a lightning change on you would make you weary too."

**Has to Be.**



"What is an optimist?"  
"An optimist?"  
"Yes."  
"A man who is engaged to be married."

**The Eternal Feminine.**

"Are you fond of duck, Jack?"  
"Duck?"  
"Yes."  
"Well, I don't care whether she is a duck or a pench, but I am fond of her just the same."

**Same Thing.**

"He cheated me out of my eye-teeth."  
"Why don't you see a lawyer?"  
"I haven't time."  
"Then throw \$100 in the well. That will do as well."

**Happiness.**

"What's your idea of a good time?"  
"My idea?"  
"Yes."  
"Something to eat, something doing and the other fellow paying all the bills."

**Optimistic.**

"You seem so satisfied with yourself."  
"Why shouldn't I?"  
"Why should you?"  
"To get the rest of you an example."

**Paradoxical.**

"He is such a blunt fellow."  
"How can that be?"  
"Why do you ask?"  
"You said yourself that he is always making cutting remarks."

**Failed.**

It makes a deadbeat fighting mad—  
So mad he cannot see—  
If when he orders up some goods  
They send them C. O. D.

**PERT PARAGRAPHS.**

There seems to be a sort of genius in the way some men are always making mistakes—and collecting on them every time.

If the fool killer had the mean men added to his list he would soon be killed himself by overwork.

Trouble is always waiting for you around the corner, and the man who is afraid is conquered already.

Being good to your friends ought not to be synonymous with taking care of yourself, but is it?

The average boy couldn't behave himself if he were paid a salary for doing so.

It is kind of our friends to take a deep interest in our welfare, but a long course of their treatment seldom shows a stupendous benefit.

Sometimes it seems to call for people who are not really bright to discover the bright side of some things.

Being a transgressor doesn't seem to be so frightfully hard if there is money enough in it to all the track.

It is easy enough to work upon a man's vanity, but rather hard to make his vanity work.

**Report of the Condition of the Bank of Martin County**  
at the close of business June 30, 1910

RESOURCES:	
Loans and Discounts	\$123,399.04
Overdrafts secured	5,306.88
All other stocks bonds, mtgs	1,376.00
Banking house fur. and fix'ts	1,850.00
All other real estate owned	218.10
Demand loans	1,900.00
Due from banks and bankers	11,956.03
Silver coin, including all minor coin currency	5,572.47
<b>Total</b>	<b>\$151,577.52</b>
LIABILITIES:	
Capital Stock	\$ 15,000.00
Surplus Fund	17,000.00
Undivided profits, less current expenses and taxes paid	2,544.46
Notes and bills rediscounted	3,000.00
Bills payable	16,000.00
Time certificates of deposit	31,513.78
Deposits subject to check	64,212.26
Due to banks and bankers	307.02
<b>Total</b>	<b>\$151,577.52</b>

State of North Carolina, County of Martin, ss: I, J. G. Godard, Cashier of the above-named bank, do solemnly swear that the above statement is true to the best of my knowledge and belief.  
J. G. GODARD, Cashier  
Correct—Attest: J. G. Staton, Warren H. Biggs, S. A. Newell, Directors.  
Subscribed and sworn to before me, this 5 day of July, 1910.  
C. H. GODWIN, Notary Public

**The Farmer and His Banker**

Our Bank never fails to give as good service to the farmer as it gives to any business man. As a matter of fact few banks exist in this day and age of the work without the co-operation of the farmers. Often a farmer can make money by borrowing, and we are glad to advance money at any time. Do not hesitate to call on us when you want money. We welcome a responsible borrower quite as heartily as a substantial depositor. It will pay every farmer to carry a checking account with us. Our burglar proof safe, together with conservative management makes our Bank an absolute safe place for your money. Deposit your saving and grow with a growing bank in a growing community. Why not come in and talk it over with us today? An account at our Bank would tend to restrict your spending. Try an account with us and pay your bill with checks. We will gladly give you a check book. If you try this for one year you will be surprised at the money you will save, and you may then smile at all your troubles. Make your Bank account grow, it is recording your history and telling a truthful story of your success. Opened an account with us today. Drop a little into the Bank every week and its rapid growth will surprise you. We are yours to serve.

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