

EDITORIAL PAGE



THE ADVANCE

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THE FABLE OF THE BETTER HOG

Once upon a time there lived an old hog in Pasquotank County. The days of her life were numbered for the hogkilling season was fast approaching. So she called unto her three pigs and to them she said: "Bring me material to build each of you a home before I die."

And the two foolish pigs said: "We don't want any home, we want to roam the land at will and visit our neighbors. We mean to enjoy life while we may. Our owner doesn't believe in this stock law business that you are trying to thrust upon us, anyway."

The old hog shook her head sorrowfully and turned to her third offspring, who belonged on the neighboring farm.

"Son," said she, "Shall I build you a home before I die so that you may be a better hog and when your days are numbered as mine, you may go to your market with a proud smile that you have shown the world what a hog ought to be?"

"Yes," said Sir Pig. My owner believes in this stock law which my brothers ridicule. He says that a good pig who stays at home and does not contaminate himself with tramp pigs will have his reward and that his owner shall be blessed." So he brought the best material that he could find and his mother built him a home and a fence about it.

Then she went the way of all healthy hogs, and there was much sausage in the land for several days thereafter.

And when she was dead the old wolf, Hog Cholera, came knocking at the threshold of the first two pigs abiding place. He was escorted by their friends the tramp hogs, and he scarcely waited to greet them before he had them and they were in the agony of death.

Then he passed on to Sir Pig, a handsome red whose waistcoat fitted him so tightly that he had to carry himself with much dignity to keep his very sides from spitting. The old wolf, Hog Cholera got off the old formula, "Little pig, little pig, let me in." But Sir Pig, scarcely noticed him at all. He was enjoying his comfortable quarters and he had had his big dose of serum from Dr. Owen, and he felt himself quite above such company as tramp hogs and old Hog Cholera. So he smiled his piggy smile and went on waxing fat. Such a fine pig was he that he was allowed to live to a remarkably good old age for a pig, just to be an example to his kind. And when he passed over the slaughter bar to the market only praise was bestowed upon him until the last morsel of his porkship had been greedily devoured.

And this was something of the beginning of the reign of King Stock Law and the death of the old wolf, Hog Cholera.

EVANGELIST TO LECTURE

Curtuck, Dec. 14.—Evangelist Liddel of Philadelphia will lecture in the auditorium of Curtuck schoolhouse on the night on December 21st. The public is cordially invited. Admission of 25 and 15 cents will be charged.

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"Elizabeth City hospitality was in every way most charming. What messenger did not claim to have the very best home on the Picturesque Pasquotank? The Editor of The Recorder claims privacy, since he was a delighted guest in the lovely home of his college classmate, Mr. Jas. G. Gregory, who with his charming family dispensed ideal entertainment. "Pastor Loffin was attentive to every detail." Chairman E. F. Aydtett of the Entertainment Committee, though one of the busiest men on the continent, gave himself wholly and sacrificially to the Convention. Dr. Henning and his people shared in the gracious work. Many courtesies were extended the Convention, including an automobile ride through the city and its environs. Hundreds of us will long remember with pleasure the metropolis of the Northeast.

"The meeting house of Blackwell Memorial Church lent itself finely to the use of the Convention. The auditorium was ample. There was no lack of committee rooms. The postoffice, telegraph and telephone, all especially installed in the church was a great convenience. The Blackwell Memorial people certainly have a good church plant and an admirable religious workshop."

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CHARLES REID,
Sheriff Pasquotank County.