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We extend you a cordial invitation to visit our office whenever you are in town.

If you don't like everything that we say, just remember that you have your ideas about certain things and we do too.

A sick tongue and a big gill will deceive people for a time, but they will learn some things by experience if not otherwise.

When the courts get through with our town officers they will probably take a grind at a few other important personages.

Every school in the county is now running and all have good average attendance but there is still room for improvement and teachers and committeemen are urged to try to get every child of school age to attend.

Did you know that THE RECORD has labored under more difficulties than any other enterprise in the county and has actually lived over two years now, still there are "good Democrats" not giving it any aid or encouragement.

Parents will you sit quietly by and sanction crime and immorality to retain the friendship of the Criminals or will you do your duty by coming out openly and helping to suppress these evils for the protection of your children if not for yourselves.

With the increase in valuation of property that will bring in something like twelve thousand dollars more taxes and the profits from the Dispensary added if we don't begin to reduce our county debt considerable we ought then to have a guardian appointed to administer our affairs.

If the President really wants to punish the numerous thieves in the different departments at Washington let him employ the Hon. Joseph W. Folk of St. Louis and there will soon be something doing but with political leveling in charge there will never be any thing but an outside bluff and an inside smothering and whitewashing.

When Jeter went on the bench he said unto son-in-law Tommy, I will unto you the Boss-ship of the Court House Ring, you will preserve the high standard of Bossian just as I have and allow no one to get from under your lash. Now we find Tommy going off to Bancroft to stay. Is it possible that Tommy can't hold the infernal thing together and has deserted the old ship before she sinks?

Like unto the Record.

The Mt. Airy Leader of Tuesday had the following relative to the Guins' conduct:

"The Winston Business Guins has for some time been interesting itself with the doings of the Forsyth county officials, and has so far succeeded in settling forth some figures that is not calculated to elevate these gentlemen in the minds of the tax payers. If there is anything crooked doing, the Guins has the nerve to show it up without fear of loss to itself. The proprietors are to be commended for this attitude if there is wrong doing; for the newspaper that fails to interest itself in behalf of the people as a whole, fails to be a newspaper, and should be stamped as an organ operated to promote the interests of an individual few."

Since Chairman Tommy is giving away there is much speculation as to who will be Boss now, Jim White and Van Davis are the oldest scholars and are entitled to promotion, but along comes Doc and says that he can out lie both of them and he ought to be Boss. At this point Bob arrives "and so forth and so on," and I am "IT" bow down when I speak. While Tad is rattling around like a peep in a five cent balloon. G. C. Cole, E. Decker, She-ton, Jarrett, Silver and others will have to sit on the fence and see the high muck-a-mucks march along.

In Court for Adultery.

(Sauford Express.)

Ston Buchanan and the Aderholt woman went to Carthage Friday and gave bond—\$1,000 each—for their appearance at the next term of court. Messrs. D. A. McDonald and W. H. Britton are the bondsmen. Let the good people of Sanford and Jonesboro do their duty and see that these people get justice before the courts.

If these people would move to Marshall and join the "Ring" they could both be elected to office along with others of like Character.

LET US WAKE UP

With a united effort on the part of citizens of our county we could build a number of good paying manufactures all into ourselves and thereby reap all the profits and other benefits derived from them and why not do it? We have thousands of water power going to waste every day and are paying other people profits on goods and wares of many kinds that we might be manufacturing every day. Let us be progressive and build up our town and county and leave the Drones and Kickers to die of pry rot.

RECEIVER JONES LOSES HIS SUIT.

Judge Jones yesterday announced his decision in the mandamus suit brought by the receiver of the Western Carolina Bank against the commissioners of Madison county.

The decision is in favor of the county and the mandamus is not granted.

The point on which the decision was made was that the mandamus was a money demand and should have been brought in term time and not at chambers. No decision affecting the merits of the case or the real matter in controversy was rendered. Another writ of like character will be brought to the next term.

The mandamus was brought by Col. Jones to compel the commissioners to issue to him as receiver bonds to the amount of some \$20,000 in place of the \$15,500 bonds of the county, and unpaid interest, which he holds for the bank. The suit was brought under act of the last legislature relative to the bonded indebtedness of Madison county. The receiver contended that the act was unconstitutional as it required 5 per cent interest in place of the outstanding bonded indebtedness. The commissioners contended that the act was not mandatory but only permissive and simply authorized the commissioners to refund the debt.

The fact of the matter is that the negro will stay here and those who want to accumulate property will do so, those who desire only a living will find the getting of it easy, and those who commit crime and are discovered will be punished. The average negro knows nothing of the many plans suggested for the solution of the problem and cares little.

Capital and Character.

From a simple business transaction that was enacted on our busy streets the moral below is drawn.

A young man saw an opportunity to make a turn in real estate, whereby, in purchasing a tract of land and selling of a part, he could invest what money he had saved up and make a profit to go toward the purchase of the home.

But he needed five hundred dollars to make the deal. He went to the cashier of an Atlanta bank and asked if he could get the money. The cashier said yes, filled out a blank note, marked the discount in pencil and told him to take it to the paying teller. It took only two minutes to get the money.

The young man made the deal, paid the note when due, and so far as the business world is concerned the incident closed.

But here is what the young man said to his friend, to whom he related the occurrence: "I thought I would ask for an indorsement. I had planned to go and find one. Never thought the bank would shell out the money on my paper. I was astounded, because I had never borrowed any money before, and didn't know I had any credit."

But that bank cashier knew the young man better than the young man thought. The young man was a shrewd and industrious. He did not lounge around pool rooms and saloons. He looked at the cashier with clear eyes and told the truth. The cashier banked on the moral risk, and made no mistake.

The lesson is obvious. Thousands of dollars await legitimate investment. Banks are ready and willing to accommodate you if you have capacity and character. But they are watching you, young man, and be sure they know to whom they extend such ready and valuable aid.

Character is capital!—Atlanta News.

Spartanburg, S. C. Sept. 14.—A motion was entered here today before Chief Justice Poppe by attorneys representing the commonwealth of South Carolina in the case of James H. Tillman, charged with the murder of Editor Gonzales, asking for the revocation of the order appointing Judge Townsend to preside at the coming trial. The objections were based on technicalities. Justice Poppe will announce his decision later.

The term of court, during which Tillman will be tried, will be convened September 21.—News and Observer.

And now it appears that the list of Pardons by the last three governors of Kentucky, as used in a recent editorial in this paper, must be considerably augmented by recent "finds."

A later compilation shows that Beckham pardoned 225, Bradley 428 and Brown 478. These are pardons in felony cases only and do not include an enormous number of pardons for minor offenses.

In addition to these certain papers in that state have published lists of at least a dozen pardons in murder cases granted by one governor alone, before parties were ever brought to trial.—Asheville citizen.

In the last campaign the Republicans clamored for an honest dollar. Judging from the reports of the stealing going on in the post-office department and in the department of the interior, the American people need to put in some honest men to protect these honest dollars. The next president will be a Democrat and after he is inaugurated we will have no more niggers dancing in the White House nor thieves operating in the various departments.—Greenville Democrat.

Should be Popular.

An exchange says a new game called "Christianity" is being played in its town. The girls get on one side and are Christians. The boys are on the other side and are heathens. Then the heathens embrace Christianity.

Washington Letter

Special Correspondent of the Record.

The intention of the republicans to force the "rubber" and "dark-lantern currency" issue in the Senate next winter is going to precipitate the warlike tariff debate that has been heard in the halls of the Congress since the days of the Mills bill, back in 1888. The republican leaders in the Senate are going to have their matches in that body when the debate is opened and they will come from the younger element in that body. Of all the young Murrays of debate in the Senate the state of Texas stands at the head as the best equipped state in the Union in that regard. It is undoubtedly, from the standpoint of democracy, the ablest represented state in the entire country in the persons of the Hon. Charles A. Culberson and Hon. Joseph W. Bailey. They are both under forty-five years of age, and both have achieved notable distinction in the political arena. They have had remarkable careers. They have attained their present positions through the sheer force of intellect and equanimity for the position, and not through the power of money, as have the majority of the men on the republican side of the Senate. Those two men will take commanding positions in the coming debate for the reasons that their democracy is on straight and they have the brains to back up their reputations as democrats. The so-called leader of the Senate? Mr. German, will not shine in this debate, for the very good reason that his tariff coat has rents and holes in it that will be plainly visible to the naked eye when such men as Aldrich and Spooner get on his trail. His tariff record has blow holes in it and he will be compelled to take a back seat. The real leaders in the next session of the Senate will be Culberson and Bailey of Texas; Carmack, of Tennessee; Patterson, of Colorado, and Money of Mississippi. There is no better equipped man in the Senate than Culberson. He is essentially a lawyer, and it is the questions of the law and the constitution that he prefers but he is perfectly at home in a tariff debate. This is his first experience as a legislator, and he has not been as ready to jump into the arena of debate as has his distinguished and brilliant colleague, Mr. Bailey who had ten years' experience in the House before he came to the Senate. Senator Culberson's past experience in public life has been confined to the executive department of government affairs as the Attorney General of Texas and Governor of the same state. He was twice nominated and elected Attorney-General, and twice nominated and elected, without opposition, to the United States Senate as a tribute to his brilliant record in the former offices he had held. As Attorney General of his state he defended the state's rights in a suit before the United States Supreme Court, involving the validity of the title to Greer County, Texas, and his speech in the case before the Supreme Court was so brilliant that it called forth the encomium of the most distinguished men of the bar in the country. Chief Justice Fuller told Col. D. B. Culberson, the father of the brilliant young Attorney-General, that it was the finest argument he had ever listened to in all his experience at the bar, and praise from "Sir Hubert" was praise indeed. His two terms as Governor of Texas reached the high water mark of statesmanship and unanimous election to the Senate was a foregone conclusion. He is easily the leader of his state, a state of strong and virile men, and can stay in the Senate as long as he desires, and with little or no opposition. His colleague, Mr. Bailey easily takes rank as one of the best debaters in the entire Congress of the nation. His speciality is the tariff, having been on the Ways and Means Committee of the House for ten years, and in defending constitutional points. His brilliant fight in the Senate during the long session of the last Congress to com-

pel the President of the Senate to restore the names of Senators Tillman and McClaurin, of South Carolina, to the rolls of the Senate from which they had been stricken after their fight on the floor of the Senate was the finest personal triumph ever seen in the Senate, and was so dignified by Senator Foraker, one of his chief and one of his ablest opponents. Look out for these two young giants in the next Congress.

It has been the opinion of the majority of mankind that there was very little difference between tweedledum and tweedledee, but it seems there is considerable difference so far as this republican administration is concerned. For instance, several months ago divers military and naval officers stationed in Porto Rico were charged with smuggling—not only charged with it, but caught "with the goods to use the slang of the day. The officers themselves did not deny it. The United States district attorney for Porto Rico, at the request of the collector of customs, instituted prosecutions against the official smugglers. The case was perfectly plain and the results would have been in no doubt had the case gone to trial. It did not go to trial, however. Peremptory orders came from the Department of Justice at Washington to discontinue the prosecutions, and when the federal judge at San Juan undertook to appoint a special prosecutor to take charge of the cases he too was warned off and told it would be better for his official scalp not to get too busy. The whole affair was dropped. But things seem to be different over in our Philippine possessions. At least, the cable brings the intelligence that Captain Harry B. Chamberlain has been tried by the court of customs and sentenced to pay a fine of \$500 for smuggling, though the articles smuggled were addressed to "prominent military officers and their families," resident at Manila. There was no hubalabaloo at Washington. No orders went out to "smother" the case against Captain Chamberlain. He takes his medicine.

It would be interesting to know why this difference "twixt Porto Rican tweedledum and tweedledee. At a venture it might be surmised that there are no senatorial sons-in-law in the smuggling business at Manila.

The republican leaders are all at sea and absolutely unable to agree on what legislation is necessary for the coming Congress. President Roosevelt demands that the Cuban reciprocity treaty must first be attended to, and says he will call an extra session of Congress for that purpose. The republican leaders in the Senate are all opposed to reciprocity legislation, and Senator Aldrich, Platt, Depew, Hanna, Quay and Spooner have all advised him not to call an extra session this fall, and they are all opposed to his policy. There is a like division of sentiment on the necessity for financial legislation, and even those who desire a change in the law are hopelessly divided on the scope of the alterations that should be made. On the trust question the President has declared for publicity, but he is powerful slow in putting it into operation, and a majority of the republican leaders are for letting well enough alone, so anti-trust legislation will be a standstill. There are a respectable minority of the party in power who believe in some sort of tariff changes, and who are being pressed by their constituents to that end, but they will not meet with any success, unless they work in harmony with the democrats which they will not do, and the most of them are taking only to fool the voters of the country. The republican politicians are also at loggerheads over the Panama canal question. Many of the leaders are controlled by the transcontinental railroads of the country, and really do not want any canal, while others favor the Nicaragua route and in consequence there has been nothing done, and won't be doing the next session.

One thing they always unite up

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Our business has increased so much that we have been compelled to enlarge our store house in order to make room for the large assortment of goods we have bought for our fall trade.

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R. H. WARD.

Some people tell lies with the tongue, prostituting the wonderful gift of speech to base purposes. This is very bad. Others live to lie. This is very much worse. A story is told of a minister who had but recently taken charge of a church. He called one day to see a family of his parishioners. The lady of the house not being present he sent her into the parlor to entertain the preacher until she could herself go to see him. Anxious to keep up a conversation the preacher among other things inquired of the little fellow how old he was, and received the prompt reply, "I am five years old at home six at school, and three on the street cars." Such "bringing up" of children as this accounts for much more of the rascality that all over the country than we are accustomed to suppose.—Fremont Visitor.

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Teachers wishing to prepare for examinations should write, at once, to Prof. J. L. GRAHAM, LL. D., 152-154 Randolph Building, Memphis, Tenn., for particulars concerning his special Teachers' Examination Course.

Enforcing Vagrant Law.

Sheriff Swann is doing his duty with the floating population, and the blind baggage travellers and it will not be long before no loafing vagabonds will be in these parts.—Conyers, (Ga.) Free Press.

SUSCRIBE FOR THE RECORD

The merchant who advertises his goods grows from day to day while others drag along in the same old rut, and grumble because no more come their way. You must invite business if you want it.