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#### THE SEMI-WEEKLY GAZETTE.

THE SEMI-WEELY GAZETTE is scheduled to appear the first week in April. Of course we are more or less dependent upon the

inst beneath the heading, The Gazette will be devoted as heretofore to the protection of home and the interests of the county.

It will be a paper fit to go into the home and welcome there because of what it brings of profitable information, of pleasing entertainment, and of helpful instruction. Devoted to the interests of
the county with all its heart and strength, it will appeal as never
before to Gaston county people—to those who live in the towns, to
those who live in the country, and to those who are dwellers
abroad.

We are grateful for the substantial evidences of the hearty
welcome with which our recent announcements have been received
in the way of renewals and new subscriptions. "The only thing I
have against The Gazette," say our friends, "is, that it
doesn't come often enough for so good a paper. Welcome, SemiWeekly! Hurry up with the daily?"

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Weekly! Hurry up with the daily?"

Oh, it is coming along.

#### PRICE OF THE SEMI-WEEKLY.

We wish to make ourselves quite clear about the subscription had a son who was the god of war.

Thor was the son of Woden price of The Semi-Weenerly Gazette. The price has not yet Wednesday was named for Woden and been fixed. Our subscribers will determine that. It costs more to publish a paper twice a week than once a week, and naturally its subscribers expect to pay more. A one dollar paper coming twice a week ought to cost two dollars a year. But in case of The Sharl-Wherly Gazette it is our earnest desire to publish it at the present popular price of one dollar. We can easily does if the same work it is a paper the one and a present popular price of one dollar. We can easily does if the same work it is a paper the one and the paper the paper the one and the paper th been fixed. Our subscribers will determine that. It costs more to it was present popular price of one dollar. We can easily do so if there are enough people in Gaston who want a semi-weekly at that price.

If, therefore, a sufficient number of those who want a one dollar semi-weekly will say so with the money before the first of April, we shall be able to let the present price stand and to give two papers a week for the price of one. Hence we aunounce that all who subscribe or renew for THE GAZETTE before April 1st, will get the semi-weekly for this year at the present price of one dollar.

Whether the price will be advanced when the semi-weekly starts depends upon what the people of the county say before that time. Meanwhile, until the first of April all who want it have an opportunity to get THE SEMI-WERKLY GAZETTE at the rate of one dollar a year.

The place for everybody in Gaston county who wants county paper twice a week for a dollar is on THE GAZETTE'S subscription list. Get your name written there at once. It will cover the county like a blanket. Already the people are coming.

We would thank our friends to keep the good word going. THE GASTONIA GAZETTE-prints the news and tells the truth-Gaston county's oldest, youngest, neatest, livest and most reliable newspaper-only one dollar a year-semi-weekly after first of April.

EDUCATIONAL PACES AND PLUTRES A Statement of Comparative Educa-tional Condition in Ton Southern

In 1900 the ten states south of the Potomeo and Ohio and east of the Mississippi, including Louisians, had 22 per cent of the total population of the United States, and 25 per cent of the school population; yet only 6½ per cent of the total expenditures tor public schools was made in these states and only 4.1 per cent of the \$538,623.735 of public school property was in tiese states.

The per capita expenditure for public schools varied from 50 sects in Alabama and 51 cents in North Uarolina to \$4.93 is Messachusetts and \$5.30 to Nevada. \$2.83; for these ten states only 86 cents. The average per capita for these states was less than one-third the aver age for the whole country and only a for the North Atlantic and Western states. The average salary paid teachers for the entire school yaar varied from \$87 for males and \$78 for females in North Carolina to \$1,390 for males and \$10 for females and \$100 for males and \$496 for females in Messachusetts. The average for the whole country, exclusive of these ten states, was \$455.02 for males and \$312.93 for females; for see ten states \$175 for males and \$150 females. The average number of days of schooling for each child of school age varied from 28 in North Car-olina to 107 in Massachusetts. For the North Atlantic states it was 87, for the North Central states 89, for the Western states 80, for these ten Bouth ern states 48. It should be remembered also that only 164,000 of the 5,645,164 children of school age to thess ten states were reported as enrolled to pri-

the schools, primary and secondary.
The total school fund of these ten states was only one million dollars more than the school fund of Ohio. and the total value of their public school property was only one half the value of the public achool property of Ohio. A generation has pasted since the and business men in the prime of life whose children are now in the schools pever heard the noise of battle or saw d soldier sent to the reur

es are rich beyond compart son in natural resources. They are peopled by a brays, a coble race. Is it creditable to us that such comparisons

creditable to us that such comparisons as the shows show such relative conditions as to education?

If Thomas Jefferson, the great Democratic statesman, were slive to day, he might well say, as he did in the early days of the republic, "Above all things I hope the education of the dommon people will be attended to." There is no other way to power, prosperity and progress.

Bengh on the Commander, Stonge Tribune (Bos). The President's decision that it was a "captains' battle" seems a trifle rough on Lieut. Commander Wainwright.

OLD TIMES IN TENNERSEE.

Decidedly Primitive Conditions the

Probably few people know that the original name of the Statuof Tennessee was Franklin or that in 1788 the salaries of the officers of this Commonwealth were paid in pelis, but the following is a copy of the law:

"Ba it cuseted by the General

"Be it custled by the General Assembly of the State of Franklin, and it is hereby ensoted, by authority of the same, that from and after the lat day of January 1788, the salaries of the Commonwealth be as follows to-

"His Excellency the Governor, per annum 100 deerskins. "His Honor the Chief Justice, 500

"The secretary to his Excellency the Governor, 500 raccoon skins. 'County clerk 500 beaver skins.

"Clerk of the House of Commons 200 raccou skins.
"Members of the Assembly, per diem

"Justice's fee for serving a warrant mink skin."

At that time the State of Frankin extended to the east bank of the Miss-issippi River and on the west bank was that great unknown forest region of Louisians. It was then a 'terra lucog. uita," save a few cance landings and Italian trading posts on the river banks It was known as the District of Losisans, and in 1806 was made the Terri

tory of Louisiana.
The State of Franklin, which became The State of Franklin, which became Teunesses in 1776, was almost as little known. The now great city of Mem phis was a mere trading post and was not laid out as a village until 1830.

Pelts were as plentiful in those days as pennies, and much better distributed

as pennies, and muou books, the harter.
The pioneers were perhaps as happy, as well contented as is the average citizen

A Worth Carolina Author.

Colonel D. Wortbington, of Wilson is now writing a novel with Sir Walter

Raleigh as the central figure. While the great Englishman never had his the great Englishman never had the feet upon any part of North Carolina, he is of much interest to North Carolina. Colonel Worthington wrots a notable book for North Carolina and the South in "The Broken Sword," a stars of Mannatynetics and Destroy. story of the construction and Destruc-tion. A correspondent from Wilson writes to The Raleigh Post on the 4th

instant:

"By the way, the fame of Colonel Worthington has resched the classic shades of the world-renowned Datt-mouth college, and he has been in vited to deliver a literary address in April at that shrine of culture and learning. The Colonel will scrept the invitation and we know his effort there will enhance his respectation as a character. hance his reputation as a charming and polished speaker, and add richer and rarer and brighter laurels to the brow of Morth Carolina, for he is a crowned prince in the realm of litera-ture?

ARP TALES ABOUT MARCH Telle How the Munth that Its Ran Name Stories of Mythology.

week in April. Of course we are more or less dependent upon the type magnates for getting our new material to hand in time, but we know nothing at present to forbid the expectation that The Gazette will meet its published schedule.

It will be printed with new type from head-rule to foot-slug. It was named for Mars, the God of War, who was the sou of Jupiter and was always busting sround for a fight. The new believed to be the father of Romalus. The founder of the Roman contents and character it will be a little different from any other paper on earth.

Of course, in keeping with its motto which has so long stood just beneath the heading, The Gazette will be devoted as here
just beneath the heading, The Gazette will be devoted as hereand more faccinating than the Arabian Nights. Two thousand years ago it was the faith and religion of millions of people. Jupiter was the god of the Greeks and the Romans and Woden was the god of the Nonermen and each had a sun who was the god of more Plate present over the one and a woman named Hela over the other. That is where the word diell came from. It seems an awful thing to put hell in charge of a woman, but they said that no man was as had as a had woman. Her father was named Loki and she had two brothers. One was a serient so big and so long that it trapped around the world and their swallowed lis own tail. The other was a wolf, so strong that he broke the strongest chains just like they were cobwebs. Then Woden got the monutain spirits to make another chain and they made by a cat walking, the braid of a woman, the roots of stones, the breath of fashes, the smiles of bears and the apittle of birds. When the chain was finished it was as small and smooth and finished it was as small and smooth and soft as a silken string, but no power on earth could break it. And so they chained him and killed him. But lister what kind of a hime Miss Hela had. Hunger was her dining table Starvetien was her knife. Delay was her man servant-Bloth was her door step, Cars her bed, and Anguish the curtains to ber bed chamber. No

wonder she was cruel and always work a stein, unbeppy and forbidding This is just a sumple of their my thology. It fills up several books Now, where in the world did that peo-ple get all these wooderful stories. ple get all these wonderful stories. Away back in the ages they must have had poets more imaginative than Hower. Some of our most learned men say they got the foundation of many of them from the Bible. For the story goes that away back in ages the people got so bad that Jupiter got dreadful mad with them and resolved to destroy them. So be summoned all toded with nuts to the big bins in the sods to come to him, and they after in they a biref ces. way, which is strong and start with a new pair. So Jupiter was about to launch barn it up, but one of the gods told him that he had better not, for he might burn up heaven, too. So he concluded to use water lostead of fire, and then came the flood which drowned every human being except Dencalion and his wife, who were good to the tor name the flood which drowned every human being except Dencalion and his wife, who were good to the tor name the flood which drowned every human being except Dencalion and his wife, who were good to the tor name the flood which drowned every human being except Dencalion and his wife, who were good to the tor name the flood which drowned every human being except Dencalion and his wife, who were good to the tor name the flood which drowned every human being except Dencalion and his wife, who were good to the tor name the flood which drowned every human being except Dencalion and his wife, who were good to the tor name the flood which drowned every human being except Dencalion and his wife, who were good to the tor name the flood which drowned every human being except Dencalion and his wife, who were good to the tor name the flood which drowned every human being except Dencalion and the flood which drowned every human being except Dencalion and the flood which drowned every human being except Dencalion and the flood which drowned every human being except Dencalion and the flood which drowned every human being except Dencalion and the flood which drowned every human being except Dencalion and the flood which drowned every human being except Dencalion and the flood which drowned every human being except Dencalion and the flood which drowned every human being except Dencalion and the flood which drowned every human being except Dencalion and the flood which drowned every human being except Dencalion and the flood which drowned every human being except Dencalion and the flood which drowned every human being except flood the flood which drowned every human being except flood the flood which cailed Parasseus and were saved That is very much like the Bible stor Ararat. And justs they got Hercules from Samson and Vulcan and Apolio from Jabal and Jubal Cain, and the Dragon from the serpent that tempted Eve, and the glants who tried to scale walls of heaven from Mimrod are tower. Every great beathen go had a favorite son just as our Christian God has a Son. There is something sublime and comforting in even believing or imagining that a great and good being is somewhere in the heaves respering the good and punishing the vii. The fact that this all-powerful peing minvisible makes His existen bulog is invisible makes in a existence the more impressive. Jupiter sat en-throned on Mount Olympas, Woden bad a beautiful pulses of gold and silver at Valhalla and it could only be reached by walking on a rainbow And we pray to our God, saying: 'Oh Thou who dwellest in the beavens,'

and not in the temples made with hands. History gives no account of any people who did not put their trust some god, and this proves our nfession of weakness and our need of strength from some supernatural divinity. The more cultured and sodivinity. The more cultured and en-lightened we become the more conscious we are of our weekness. Oblidren depend upon their parents until afar up in their teens. They do not need any other god, but by and by the parents pass away or fail to supply their forcessing wants and they comes that recting of helplescome and the want of a protector. Befiretion comes with age and the more reflective a man bebemes and the more intelligent from realise his ignorance and dependence. Therefore, I cannot understand how such a cultured gentleman as legarsoll can be to irreverent, so careless and prayetiess about his own existence, for he cannot tell by what power he raises his head or closes his ayes when he

wills to do so. He ease he would hav-planned many things very different fle would have given a man wings and too power to fly. He would have mad-bealth catching instead of disease. H bealth catching instead of disease. He would have made it fapts coile proof and they should is as lively when here are ittle shicks when they come out of the shell and the old men should all ways be calmed and serene in fact, he would have made everyhoddy happy during life and every death a pamless one. He ought to have gone a little farther and abolished death and then created more worlds for the never dying people to live in. But we are here and have to submit to things as we find them, and, as Governor Oates said, "Mr. Ingersoll, what are you going to do about it?"

And now I want this month of

do about it?"

And now I want this month of March to herry up and pass away. It is sugravating my gripps and I feel ilks writing "an eds to melancholy." It contracts and withers my charity to my fellow men. I don't cars a cent for Hoosevelt and Tillman, nor Spooner nor the Atlanta depot. But as the old Persian prophet said. "Even this shall away." Fifty-three years ago to day my wife and I were married, but our account the weather was as invely as a Lapland night. I was one of ten as a Lapland night. I was one of ten children—my wife was one of ten, and we have ten, and they have twenty, and no great calastity or affliction both befullen us, thanks to the good Lord

CHEAP SONEY LABOR IN PERU. Apos That Pick Suts Under the Di-

rection of Enman Foremen. enver Post,

"Perhaps the most interesting creatures in Peru are the apes." said Dwight Darriugtou in the office of Philip Hitchock of the Wabash Raitway yesterday. Mr. Darrington has an extensive plautation in eastern Peru. He is traveling for pleasure across the

ontinent.
"For centuries past these remarkable "For centuries past these remarkable animals have been performing work which is usually supposed to require Luman intelligence," continued he. Naturalists accredit the horar, dog, and alaphant with pursessing more in tellect than all other dumb unimals, but I believe the Persyan ages surpass all healters. In the horar and foresters. all brutes. In the buge nut forests of my adopted one try the ages are of in-rationable value. With anusing orierity they pick the rich puts from the dark trees, saving much time and ex-pense. Men cannot do the work in thrice the time required by the simble-

thrice the time required by the nimble fingured ages.

"My pleutation near the Ucayali river contains 700 acces, of which an even hundred are in nut trees. I have 40 spes to do the picking for me. Two native foremen have charge of the hairy-bodied nut gathers. I have a huge comfortable cage for the apes, large enough to accommedate 100 of them. Into this they maken every night. Each morning early, when the paroque a and searlet finches beein to scream, the foremen open the doors of the case. the foremen open the doors of the sage and out troop the apra, chattering

merrily.
"They are permitted to est and drink "They are permitted to eat and drink for ten minutes and then led off to the grove selected for the day. Four appears sent up each tree and every quartette has a hig tasket at the bottom. "While the foremen sing and play upon their mouth organs, strolling about from tree to tree, and noting

shment for mischievons conduct is severe; but rarely necessary. Some times the wild ages attack the plants tion in bands and do much harm. The dogs give warning day or night and we shoot the intruders mercilessly. A ter shoot the intricers mercismany. A ter they have been repulsed and some killed, we take our appet to the spot in solems procession. We show them the dead and bloody budies of their riends. Then we lock them up for a

The lesson produces an indelible impression upon them. They learned long ago that all animals must be long ago that all animals must be subservient to man. They evince rage at the sight of a wild monkey. They are most valuable servants and enable the planters to make handsome incomes, which would be impossible with solely human labor."

bilaselphia Times.

Met long ago Ceptain George Blakely, of the United States army. Blakely, of the Uolted States army, Professor of Mathematics at West Professor of Mathematics at West Point, came to this, his native city. Dustring to renew old friendships, be telegraphed to Prof. Robert Hart Bradbury, of the Mannal Training school, requesting him to call at his hotel at his earliest convenience. Prof. Bradbing wrote a reply, instructing the maid to have it telegraphed to the Cantain at onew.

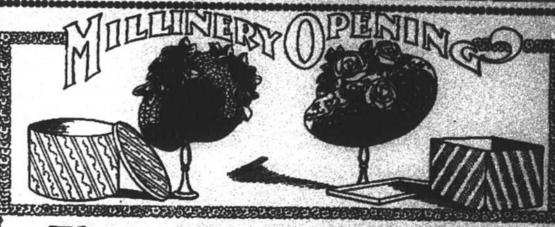
Captain at once. The message reached Captain Blake The message reading it, sent Prof. Bradbury the following despatch:
"Why don's you buy some?"

"Why don's you buy some?"
When this reply seached Prof. Bradbury he was amplusted. He hastened to the hotel and found the coptain.

to the hotel and found the coptain.

"Jack, what the deuce do you mean
by sech a reply as this?" he asked.

"What do you mean by this?" and
the captain, handleg the professor ble
message. It rend: "I am out of soons
and can't come!" Prof. Bardbury had
written: "I'm out of sorts and can't
come!" The error was the operator's.



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