

TUESDAY, DEC. 1, 1903.

What ex-President Cleveland said about the matter is positive enough not to need to be said over again and clear enough not to need any explanation.

What's the matter with the cotton spinning business? A cut made in New England yesterday reduces the wages of 65,000 to 75,000 operatives, and the North Carolina Manufacturers' Association has been called by committee to meet in Charlotte next Tuesday to consider some united action to curtail production.

It has been a long time since the public has had any tidings from the Honorable S. M. Dugger, the hard of Banner Hill. From the Boone Dew Drop, the smallest but by no means the dullest newspaper that comes to our exchange table, we learn that he is preparing to make a lecturing tour of the South this winter, and will spend the month of January in Florida. Mr. Dugger is a genius and knows how to lecture, being a kind of vocal word-painting kineoscope, and there will hardly be any occasion for those who hear him lecture to complain of a dull show.

A state institution of which the public knows but little as yet was established by the General Assembly last winter. It is called the Appalachian Training School and was located at Boone, the county seat of Watauga. The enterprise is designed as a training school for teachers in a group of mountain counties embracing Alleghany, Ashe, Watauga, Caldwell, Mitchell, Yancey and Wilkes. The bill to establish this school was introduced by Mr. Newland, of Caldwell, and easily passed the House. In the Senate however the bill was reported adversely and seemed doomed to defeat. But Messrs. Justice, White, and Hoy signed a minority report in favor of the school and championed the measure with such convincing ability that it passed the Senate by a good majority. The school was located at Boone and Messrs. D. D. and B. B. Dougherty, two brothers, were placed in charge of it. They are men of industry, ability, attainments and patriotism, and have gone to work with characteristic energy to make this Appalachian Training School a great educational factor in Western North Carolina. They have collected in cash for the building \$2100. The State will give \$1500 toward the building and \$2000 a year for maintenance. While carrying the school on in the Watauga Academy building these young men are waging a vigorous campaign to raise by generous private subscription the balance of the \$7,000 required for the building. They have 200,000 bricks ready to go into the walls as soon as winter gives place to spring, and 80,000 feet of the necessary lumber has been cut. These facts we learn principally from a statement recently issued in behalf of this institution. It gives us pleasure to present them, both as a matter of information to the public and as a matter of possibly helpful justice to the worthy promoters of this school for training teachers in the mountain counties within reach of it.

NEWS AND GOSSIP WITH THE BARK ON.  
 One of the most interesting features of what is usually called the neighborhood correspondence sent in to it from the different adjacent communities. Among the leading newspapers of this

class in the State is the Lexington Dispatch edited by Hon. H. E. Varner, who is also our State Commissioner of Labor and President of the North Carolina Press Association. Among his correspondents is one who writes the news from Farmer—writes it with the bark on. He opens his letter of Nov. 23d with a reference to the weather and an appropriate reminiscence thus:  
 "In the winter of '88 the coldest weather came in the second week of November. This fall reminds us of that year. A splendid wheat crop followed the winter of 1888."  
 In that last sentence there is a sort of concealed hint that maybe it will be a good wheat year again, and the item is by no means uninteresting to the agricultural reader.

A little further on in the same letter matters of diet claim the correspondent's attention and he bursts forth rapturously with the intelligence that—  
 "Locs and wild honey is no longer the diet of many of our people; it is 'possum and taters."  
 To say that his neighbors have progressed from locs and wild honey to 'possum and taters means that they are advancing in civilization and that their lives have fallen in pleasant places. There is no news like good news.

In every well regulated community religion has a prominent place in the attention of the people and the Dispatch's correspondent does not neglect to make reference to the religious life of his neighborhood. Hear him:  
 "This Holiness gang that has been whooping and yelling, making night hideous at Hoover's Grove for ten days or more, ended their harangues last week. 'Let the Lord be praised.'"  
 That appears to be less respectful than devout, but according to the evidence this correspondent appears to be partial to peace and good order at religious meetings.

Since everybody is talking the race problem it is no wonder if the newspaper correspondents occasionally exercise their privilege of touching upon this topic. The death of a worthy old-time darkey opens the way, and our Dispatch correspondent delivers himself in this wise:  
 "Uncle Chess Sanders, the last one of the old time slaves, near ground here, was buried last week. He was a trusty old servant as many of the old issue were; but deliver us from the new and Bassett with them."  
 And so the correspondent of our contemporary is doing his part to keep its readers posted on the news of the day. What he sends doesn't have a rubbed and polished piano finish on it; it is rather split out in the rough and sent ahead with the bark on it; but it will be read. News with the bark on it usually makes interesting reading, and we send our greetings to the Dispatch's correspondent.

The wise buyer buys on a rising market. The wise business-man puts his advertisement in a newspaper with a growing circulation. Advertising patrons of THE GAZETTE get more than we promise, not less.  
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A Froelicher of Japan.  
 "One of the strange features of Japan," said a man who has lived long in that country, "is that all crops and fruits are almost certain to deteriorate. I have seen beautiful peaches grown the first year from stock imported from the United States. The second year they were still fairly good, the third season poor, and after that unfit to eat. Nothing in the vegetable world would seem to retain its excellence for any length of time. It is a bamboo country, and everything reverys to the bamboo. Beautiful lush grass covers many a plain, and yet it gives no nutrition to cattle. Garden vegetables look as fine as any grown in the United States, but when cooked they have no taste. The flowers are of gorgeous hues, but they are without perfume."  
 "But even with these imperfections it is a very interesting corner of the earth, and many things recommend it. Its inhabitants are in their way a fine people. In the rural districts particularly the natives are the most honorable beings I ever met. In the cities they are sharper mentally, but not nearly so scrupulous."

The Emotional Foreigner.  
 I saw a very pathetic sight on Forbes street, said the observing young woman, and it made me smile. A poor foreigner—I can't tell you his nationality—stood on the corner surrounded by a big pile of luggage.  
 He signaled to an approaching car, but the car passed right on. Motorman and conductor possibly objected to the load of freight. No sooner had the car passed than the young man burst out crying, and the tears rolled down his cheeks. It seemed strange to see a man act so.  
 It was one of those stories which have no beginning and no ending. It may be that he had waited long and that no car would stop for him. It may be that he thought that that was the last car that was going to his destination. I only know that he was a stranger in a strange land and that he seemed broken hearted and that I smiled to see a grown man in tears for so simple a thing.—Pittsburgh Dispatch.

Once an Lido Freshener.  
 The fashion of wearing the Laid in a sue commenced to wane in the latter part of the seventeenth century. As we think now of those queer pigtail appendages it seldom occurs to us that they could have been of any use except as an index to human folly. It appears, however, that occasionally they were a very important part of a gentleman's person, as may be inferred from the following complaint published in England at the time the fashions commenced to cut their hair:  
 "The bathers of Brighton complain bitterly of the trouble they have in pulling young gentlemen out of the sea since they have cut off their cues. Till one of these decked fashionables is froward from this circumstance the rage for cropping will not die out."

Encouraging the Home.  
 A clergyman who spent many years in missionary work in the west says that he had occasion one day to ride in a full stagecoach up a steep hill. The driver where the ascent was shortest got out and walked, and as he walked he would frequently open the door of the coach and then shut it again with a slam. This the passengers found an annoying.  
 "Look here, driver!" one of them said. "Why do you kick up such an infernal noise with that door?"  
 "To hearter up my horses," the driver answered. "Every time they hear this door close they think that one of you, taking pity on them, has got out, and that makes them imagine that their lead is better."

Dr. J. V. Jay was found guilty of murder in the second degree in the Buncombe county court Tuesday and sentenced to 30 years at hard labor. Jay killed his three children several weeks ago. Insanity was his plea.

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**Charlotte Has Car Strike.**  
 The city of Charlotte awoke Wednesday morning to find that it had a street car strike on hand. The motormen and conductors, 48 in number, refused to take out the cars on that morning, their grievance being that the company would not equip the cars with electric heaters. The strikers had previously made complaint to the management and had given notice that they would quit if their demand was not granted. The company maintains that it is impracticable to heat the cars. No demonstrations of violence have been made and the strikers say there will be none. A few cars are being operated but passengers are few. The officials say they will have the entire system in operation to-day. The strikers have the sympathy of the labor unions in the city and are endeavoring to effect a boycott against the street cars.

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