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Mecklenburg Camp Confederate Veterans, Official Route to Re-Union, Mobile, Ala., April 20th, 1910 Via Seaboard Air Line Railway.

The Mecklenburg Camp Confederate Veterans has selected the Seaboard Air Line as the official route to the Reunion to be held in Mobile, Ala., April 21, 1910. They will leave via Seaboard at 7:15 p. m. April 24 and invite all camps and friends to accompany them. They will have special Pullman cars for the trip. The round trip rate for this occasion is only \$12.65, tickets good to May 2nd and can be extended to May 19 by payment of 50 cents at Mobile and depositing tickets there, they are good to stop over on the return trip. Veterans and friends are requested to make reservations for this trip as early as possible. For further information call on or address:

James Ker, Jr., Traveling Passenger Agent, Seaboard, Charlotte, N. C. A26 c 6.

ANNUAL REUNION CONFEDERATE VETERANS, MOBILE, ALA., APRIL 26-28TH, 1910.

Southern Railway announces very low rates to Mobile, Ala., and return for the above occasion. The following round trip rate will apply from Gastonia, N. C., \$12.25. Approximately low rates from other points.

Tickets on sale April 23rd, 24th and 25th; final limit to reach starting point May 2nd, 1910. Tickets can be extended until May 19th if deposited with Special Agent at Mobile, Ala., on or before May 2nd, and upon payment of a fee of fifty (50) cents.

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WILL DOUBLE PLANT.

Stockholders of Kings Mountain Cotton Oil Mill Company Decide Upon Vast Improvements.

Charlotte Observer. Kings Mountain, April 5.—The annual meeting of the stockholders of the Kings Mountain Cotton Oil Company was held in the company's office here yesterday. The plant which was in operation about half the usual time the past season made about 16,000 gallons of oil, just half the amount made the previous year. This curtailment in production is due to the high price of cotton seed which prevailed last fall. A dividend of 4 per cent was declared and ordered paid and the stockholders decided to double their plant, which will be done this coming summer. The buildings are already large enough and it will not be necessary to erect any more buildings. The additions to be made will be, two linters, one press, one heater and one hydraulic pump. Mr. J. B. Hambright, who has been secretary and treasurer for the past year, resigned and the duties of this office will fall on the president, Mr. G. D. Hambright. Mr. J. W. Ware of Gastonia was elected a director in place of his father, the late J. A. Ware.

The following out-of-town stockholders were present: J. W. Ware, Gastonia; L. A. McGill, J. S. Steward, W. M. Faulkner, Clover, S. C., and J. B. Hambright, of Grover.

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FOURTH ANNUAL STATEMENT OF THE

Philadelphia Life Insurance Company

BALANCE SHEET, DECEMBER 31, 1909	
ASSETS.	
Investments in Government, Municipal and other Bonds	\$344,228.63
Mortgages on Real Estate, First Leins	\$76,500.00
Deposited in Banks and Trust Companies at Interest	32,579.47
Cash on hand at Home-Office	3,057.89
Premium Notes on Policies in Force	115,855.86
Loans to Policyholders	66,118.34
Premiums Due and Un-collected and Deferred Premiums, less Loading	32,947.24
Interest Accrued	21,551.53
	\$1,992,838.96
LIABILITIES.	
Net Present Value of all Policies in force on December 31, 1909, as computed by the Insurance Department of Pennsylvania on the American Experience Table of Mortality, with 3 1/2 per cent. interest	\$1,097,362.00
Claims for death losses in process of adjustment	22,510.00
Dividends to the credit of Policyholders	53,831.00
Miscellaneous Liabilities	5,291.15
Capital Stock	560,320.00
Unassigned Funds (Surplus)	253,524.81
	\$1,992,838.96

RECORD TO DECEMBER 31, 1909.

Insurance in Force (paid for)	\$20,250,914.00
Admitted Assets	1,992,838.96
Increase in Assets	429,172.77
Reserve to Policyholders	1,097,362.00
Dividends to credit of Policyholders	53,831.00
Dividends paid Policyholders in 1909	46,359.03
Death Losses Paid in 1909	127,160.60
Death Losses Due and Unpaid	None
Total Paid Policyholders or held for their benefit	1,613,106.00

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JURY LIST.

Names of Jurors Chosen for May Term, Gaston Superior Court.

The following is a list of the jurors chosen at the April meeting of the county commissioners to serve during the May term of Gaston Superior Court, which will convene at Dallas on May 23:

FIRST WEEK.

C. A. Womble, South Point.
Robert Howell, Crowders Mountain.

Phillip Mauney, Cherryville.
Justice Armstrong, South Point.
J. H. Trott, Cherryville.

James A. Holmesley, Cherryville.
J. P. Culp, Gastonia.
T. C. Hoard, Crowders Mountain.
C. W. Nipper, South Point.
J. J. Ormand, Crowders Mountain.
T. P. Glenn, South Point.
T. L. Wilson, South Point.
W. M. Harris, Crowders Mountain.
Thomas A. Kennedy, Crowders Mountain.

Lee Carpenter, Cherryville.
W. A. Boyd, Gastonia.
F. L. Stowe, Gastonia.

SECOND WEEK.

J. B. Beal, Gastonia.
J. L. Robinson, Gastonia.
A. M. Ballard, Cherryville.
R. P. Craig, South Point.
R. N. Holland, Gastonia.
R. T. Padgett, Gastonia.
J. D. Sides, Crowders Mountain.
L. J. Hoke, River Bend.
L. T. McLean, Gastonia.
R. W. Bradley, Gastonia.
R. Z. Robinson, River Bend.
W. B. Biggers, Gastonia.
J. R. Blair, South Point.
J. K. Dixon, Gastonia.
W. E. Clemmer, Gastonia.
J. H. White, Crowders Mountain.
D. V. Burns.
Sid Hammitt.

\$1,500 IN PRIZES.

Progressive Farmer and Gazette Offers Premiums Aggregating That Amount in Addition to Those Offered by National Department of Agriculture.

The Progressive Farmer and Gazette, Raleigh, N. C., offers \$1,500 in prizes to Southern boys under 19 who make the biggest corn yield on an acre this year. These prizes are offered partly by the publishers of The Progressive Farmer and Gazette and partly by its advertisers, and range all the way from gold medals and two-horse wagons to Berkshires. As these offers are open to boys in all parts of the South, the publishers are anxious to interest as many boys as possible among the readers of the Gazette. Boys under 19 who would like to win one of the prizes should send a postal at once to The Progressive Farmer and Gazette, Raleigh, N. C.

Announcement of other prizes offered boys for best corn yields may be had by writing Hon. O. B. Martin, U. S. Department of Agriculture, Washington, D. C.

In 2009.

Puck.

Transient.—Who's that prosperous looking fellow over there?
Native.—That's Squire Shuvvel, the millionaire ditch digger. Everybody laughed at him years ago when he refused to become a doctor or a lawyer and even turned down the correspondence schools' offer to make him a window dresser or an electric engineer. Time proved his wisdom, and today, as the only unskilled laborer in this section, he can command almost fabulous prices.

A DEAD STOMACH Of What Use Is It?

Thousands? yes hundreds of thousands of people throughout America are taking the slow death treatment daily. They are murdering their own stomach, the best friend they have, and in their sublime ignorance they think they are putting aside the laws of nature.

This is no sensational statement; it is a startling fact, the truth of which any honorable physician will not deny. These thousands of people are swallowing daily huge quantities of peepsin and other strong digesters, made especially to digest the food in the stomach without any aid at all from the digestive membrane of the stomach.

Mi-o-na stomach tablets relieve distressed stomach in five minutes; they do more. Taken regularly for a few weeks they build up the run down stomach and make it strong enough to digest its own food. Then indigestion, belching, sour stomach and headache will go.

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HUMOR OF THE GREEKS

Wit That Helped the Ancients Drive Dull Care Away.

SOME FIFTH CENTURY JOKES

The Absentminded Professor Was a Prolific Source of Merriment to the Jesters of Those Days—The Source of Many Modern Jokes.

The maxim that there is nothing new under the sun applies, it would seem, more truly to jokes and witticisms than to anything else. The chief differences between the jests of one generation and that of another lie mainly in their form. The kernel is practically the same. Nevertheless it is interesting to exhume some of these ancient jokes and to recognize in them the ancestors of the things at which we laugh today in the pages of our humorous publications.

Some humorous writers dearly love to make fun of the absentminded, unpractical university professor, who outside of his own subject lets his wits wander and is very slow to grasp anything in ordinary life. Such jokes as these were cracked centuries ago by the students and graduates of the great universities in ancient Greece, for it is a mistake to suppose that what we now call "college life" was unknown to the ancients.

As a matter of fact, the student at the University of Athens or at the University of Alexandria was very much the same sort of mortal as is the student today, and his professors were not so very different. A witty Greek named Hierocles, a graduate of Alexandria, collected some time in the fifth century a volume of jests which were current among the students with regard to the woolgathering type of professor. A number of them are translated here as being of considerable interest in the history of humor and especially of college humor.

A professor, wishing to swim, was nearly drowned, whereupon he swore that he would never touch water again until he had learned how to swim.

Of twin brothers, one died. A professor thereupon, meeting the survivor, asked, "Is it you that died or your brother?"

A professor, learning that a raven would live for more than 200 years, bought one to test the matter.

A professor, wishing to cross a river, went on board the boat on horseback. When some one asked the reason he answered that he wanted to get over in a hurry.

A professor, looking out of the window of a house which he had bought, asked the passersby whether the house was becoming to him.

A professor, meeting another professor, said, "I heard you were dead." "And yet," replied the other, "you see that I am still alive." "Well," said the first in perplexity, "I don't know what to believe, for the man who told me about it is a much more truthful man than you!"

A professor, in danger of being shipwrecked, called for his tablets that he might make his will. Seeing thereupon his slaves lamenting their fate, he said, "Do not grieve, for I am going to set you free."

A professor dreamed that he had trodden on a nail and that the wound pained him. On waking he bound up his foot. Another professor, having learned the cause, remarked, "It served you right, for why do you sleep without sandals?"

A professor, meeting a doctor, hid himself behind a wall. Some one asking the cause, he answered, "I have not been sick for so long a time I am ashamed to come into the sight of a physician."

A professor, wishing to teach his horse to be a small eater, gave him no food at all. At length, the horse having starved to death, the professor exclaimed, "I have suffered a great loss, for just as he had learned not to eat he died!"

A professor, visiting a sick person, inquired about his health. The invalid, however, was not able to reply. Thereupon the professor, being angry and scolding the man, said, "I hope that I shall be sick some of these days, and then when you come to ask how I am I will not answer."

A professor sealed up a vessel of wine which he had bought. His servant having made a hole in the vessel beneath and drawn off some of the wine, the professor was astonished to see the contents diminished while the seals remained unbroken. A neighbor having told him to look whether it had not been taken out from below, he replied, "Why, you fool, it's the upper part of the wine and not the lower that is missing!"

A professor, a bald man and a barber traveling together agreed to keep watch in turn four hours, each while the others slept. The barber's turn came first. He quietly shaved the head of the sleeping professor and when the time elapsed awoke him. The latter, scratching his head as he got up and finding it bare, cried out: "What a rascal that barber is! He's waked the bald man instead of me!"—Exchange.

Legal Advice.

"Prisoner," said the justice, "you are charged with having struck the defendant."

"Yes, judge; I poked him, but he called me a liar."

"That's no excuse."

"Well, judge, it was my first experience. What do you do in such cases?"—Judge's Library.

A JOLT FOR THE SPITTERS.

Judge Boyd Threatens to Send to Jail Any One Discovered Spitting on Floors Court Room.

Spitting on floors is a common and at the same time a disgusting and dangerous practice. Federal Judge Boyd does not stand for it in his court rooms as will be seen from the following extract from a talk to the court room audience one day this week in Charlotte:

"The first man I catch spitting on the floors," he said, "will be given the opportunity of spitting on the floor of the jail for two or three days, for to that place I'll send him. Some people seem to think a court house has no more claims on their respect than has a stable and they think nothing of covering the floors with tobacco juice; and it seems imperative that they must scratch their names on the walls or if they know a little rhyme or piece of indecent poetry, add this, too. The man who would spit on a court room floor would do the same thing in a gentleman's home if he were not afraid of being kicked out. Well, he will not be kicked out of here, but the marshal will escort him out in an orderly manner."

Representative Webb has introduced a bill in congress appropriating \$100,000 for the erection of a government building in Morganton.

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"CHERUB DEVINE."

The Gazette's next serial story will be "Cherub Devine," which is proving to be one of the most popular of the late novels. The story is located in Wall Street and Long Island, homes of realism rather than romance, one would say, yet the things that happen in the tale are most remarkable and romantic, without seeming at all unnatural or improbable.

As for Cherub, he's no hero of the traditional variety. He's a capital fellow but he doesn't claim to be a hero at all and he keeps you laughing even when he's telling a girl how much he loves her, for his way of wooing is certainly unique.

It's an unusual story, not only in its humor and the kind of characters it makes one acquainted with, but in its situations, for without seeming to be a novel of mystery it keeps you guessing and fools you at several turns in the plot. The latter is ingenious and full of surprises, still you can say to yourself that it is just what might happen even in the prosaic State of New York.

Yes, even the episode of shutting a count up in an ice house—that might happen with such a resourceful fellow as Cherub on the job, indeed this was a trifling performance in comparison with his smashing the Rimmer crowd and electing himself president of the P., Z. and U. But we mustn't tell all the story—read it.

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