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## PLAN TO SMASH TOBACCO TRUST

### J. F. Jordan's Hot Speech Before the Tobacco Growers

### MR. JORDAN PROPOSES TO CORNER WORLD'S TOBACCO MARKET

### He Supplies the Sensation at Today's Session of the North Carolina Tobacco Growers Association

The North Carolina Tobacco Growers' Association met at 12:30 o'clock this afternoon in the House of Representatives.

A number of delegates, representing farmers, leaf dealers and warehousemen were present from several counties in the State and also Virginia.

The meeting was called to order by Commissioner of Agriculture S. L. Patterson.

Mr. Patterson stated that he had been asked to call the meeting to order by President J. Bryan Grimes, who was detained from attending by the death of his wife.

Mr. Patterson said: "We meet under peculiar and singular conditions of affairs. It is a serious problem which confronts one of the greatest industries of the State, in which millions of dollars are invested.

Let us examine the sales of this fall and ten years ago, and you will find the money you are receiving is much smaller year after year.

Examine the official records at Washington and you will find some striking figures.

In 1890 the total tobacco produced was 522,000,000 pounds, and the amount brought was \$43,000,000, average price 8 1/2 cents per pound.

In 1896 the number of pounds raised was 463,000,000. The amount this crop brought was \$24,000,000, average price about 6 cents per pound.

So you see that notwithstanding the crop was smaller the price has declined 20 per cent.

This crop has not followed the usual law of supply and demand, for the price is lower while the production is also less, and there has been no decrease in the demand for tobacco.

He cited some cotton figures to show how a short crop raises the price.

It is a serious problem that confronts you. Give it careful research.

Mr. Joel Phillips, of Nash, was permanent chairman of the meeting.

Said he had no plans yet, and invited suggestions from the delegates present.

President Winston, of the A. and M. College, was present, and invited the members to visit the college.

The invitation was accepted, and the hour of the visit set for 3 o'clock.

On motion of Major Graham the body expressed their sympathy for President Grimes in his sad bereavement.

Chairman Phillips suggested in the absence of President Grimes that the meeting adjourn without taking any steps and meet again for definite action in March.

This did not meet with favor.

Mr. J. F. Jordan, of Greensboro, stated that he had been in the tobacco business for sixteen years and that the price had been forced down by the trusts. He stated that he was working on a plan to remedy the evil. He urged no postponement.

Colonel Toon, of Robeson county, made an attack on the warehouse system and thought there ought to be some way to rid the farmers of having to pay 10 per cent, to sell their tobacco.

Major Graham suggested that some arrangement be made to sell the tobacco direct to foreign markets.

Mr. J. F. Jordan, by request, gave his views on how the price could be raised.

He gave figures showing how the trust has forced down the price year after year.

My remedy is to have county conventions to meet and elect delegates to a general convention of growers from North Carolina, Virginia, East Tennessee and South Carolina. I will make a proposition to buy all tobacco at an advance of 15 per cent., but you must enter into an ironclad contract.

I will have two leaf buyers on every market and the farmers to be represented by two farmers.

It is absolutely a shame to sit still and allow the trusts to rob us year after year.

Take cigarette; it takes just 80 cents to make a thousand, and the trusts sell them at \$3.50.

The most diabolical and diabolic methods are practiced by the American Tobacco Company. The Dukes came in for a warm roast. He stated that the \$100,000 given to Trinity College had been robbed from the farmers.

"It will take \$7,000,000 per year to handle the tobacco crop, but it is easy enough to get the money. I now remain for you to say whether you will go into this contract which will remedy the evil."

On motion of Mr. A. W. Green, of Wake, the following committee was appointed to submit pertinent resolutions before the meeting tonight: Col. L. S. Cunningham, of Person; Darden, of Green; Jeffries, of Nash; Toon, of Robeson and J. E. Jordan, of Garfield.

## CURRENCY BILL

### Senator Aldrich Introduces Gold Standard Bill

### REPUBLICANS SAY IT WILL PASS

### Gage Makes a Report—Female Post Office Clerks Lose Their Jobs When They Marry—Gen. Wood Promoted.

Washington, Dec. 6.—At the session of the Senate today Aldrich, of Rhode Island, introduced the currency bill.

The Republican Senators say that they have no doubt of the passage of the gold standard bill as introduced by Senator Aldrich.

General Wood is promoted to Major General of the Volunteers.

Heaton W. Harris, of Ohio, is appointed Consul to Mannheim, also a number of recess appointments are made.

Secretary of the Treasury Gage reports \$89,000,000 more disbursed than taken in last year. The internal revenue was \$277,000,000, an increase of \$102,000,000. The customs were \$206,000,000, an increase of \$58,000,000. The military cost \$229,000,000, and the navy \$63,000,000.

General Otis cables that he had no word from General Young for a week. This is taken to indicate that Young is in hot pursuit of Aguinaldo and probably the country is considered unsafe to use couriers.

Advices state that the transport Logan, with the Forty-First Regiment, arrived at Manila today with all well. The transport Meade, with the Forty-Third, has arrived at Port Said.

**WOMAN MUST RESIGN WHEN SHE MARRIES.**

First Assistant Postmaster General Heath has decided in the case of Mrs. Brown of Abolus, Conn., that when a female post office clerk marries she must resign from the service.

## FOR BETTER DRAINAGE

### County Commissioners Act on Walnut Creek. Petition

### THREE SUPERVISORS CHOSEN

### Jury for the January Criminal Term of the Court Drawn—Rebate on Property—Committee Appointed

The Board of County Commissioners held a very important session this morning, chairman Julius Lewis presiding.

The petition of Gerald McCarty, 1-5 P. Wyatt, J. H. Robbins and others to appoint commissioners to survey and direct the better drainage and clearing out of Walnut creek is provided for by chapter 333, Private Laws of 1885, was considered and on a motion the Board went into an election of said commissioners, which resulted in the choice of M. T. Leach, J. H. Edgins and A. H. Green.

The following jurors were drawn according to law to serve at the Criminal Terms of Wake Superior Court, which will meet on the second Monday in January, 1900:

Panther Branch—Wesley Leach (sole), D. E. South, R. L. Stokes.

White Oak—A. R. Upchurch, E. M. Lassiter, W. H. Upchurch, R. J. Carpenter.

Barton's Creek—R. L. N. Woodard, J. S. Layton.

St. Mary's—S. T. Carroll, J. B. Wilson, Otis Simpkins.

New Light—A. G. Lower, James A. Bailey, G. B. Powell.

Cary—S. G. Williams, A. H. Pleasants, J. W. Holloway.

Buck Horn—J. T. Adams, Oak Grove—T. S. Lynn, J. P. Snipes.

Marles Creek—E. M. Ferrall, John Hubbard, W. R. Baum.

Wake Forest—Andrew Faison, Edgar B. Peebles, W. T. Underwood, G. H. Wall.

Middle Creek—E. J. Partin, Raleigh—W. W. Wynne, G. W. Partin, J. W. Evans, A. C. Lehman, Isham Fields, G. S. Nowell (sole).

Cedar Fork—E. B. Edwards.

**SECOND WEEK.**

New Light—J. M. Estes, L. D. Emery.

Oak Grove—Squire Rogers (sole), A. C. Weatherly.

Wake Forest—N. C. Raines, Cedar Fork—V. S. Barlow.

Holly Springs—John A. Alston.

Raleigh—F. R. Amond, L. B. Wilkerson, J. R. Gatts, T. L. Love.

Cary—W. L. Cooker, George E. Booth.

St. Mary's—Thos. J. Johns, H. R. Rogers.

Buck Horn—R. V. Bynum, White Oak—W. M. Yates.

Upon motion a committee composed of Chairman Julius Lewis and Millard Mial was appointed to inspect the books of Clerk of the Court W. M. Ross.

Upon motion the Board allowed a rebate on \$1,000 on the Faison property on Halifax street.

The salary of the janitor of the court house was increased \$2.50 a month, making the salary \$20, instead of \$17.50.

The Board then adjourned until 3:30 p. m.

## SHORT SESSION

### Committees from Board of Agriculture are at Work

The State Board of Agriculture met this morning in the Agricultural building, Col. John S. Cunningham, of Person, president. The following members of the Board were present: Col. J. S. Cunningham, C. McCarty, R. H. Jones, A. T. McCallie, W. A. Graham, L. J. Wall, J. B. Corfield, W. R. Capehart, J. A. Stevens, J. C. Bunch, G. F. Weston, W. C. Sprinkle, Howard Browning, J. R. Joyce, J. C. Ray, J. C. L. Harris and H. E. King.

Resolutions of respect were adopted upon the death of Mrs. J. Bryan Grimes, wife of Mr. Grimes, who is an honored member of the Board.

A committee composed of Messrs. George F. Weston, W. A. Graham, J. B. Corfield, W. R. Capehart, R. H. Jones and J. C. Bunch was appointed to draft resolutions of respect to the memory of the late Mr. Dills, a member of the Board.

The Board then adjourned until 7:30 p. m. to give the committees time to work.

## WAGES ADVANCED

Providence, R. I., Dec. 6.—Notices of advancing wages to operatives of ten per cent was posted today at the mills of the Lonsdale Company at Lonsdale, Brockley, Ashton and Blackstone, and the Pawneeck Valley, to take effect next Monday. Similar notices will be posted in the mills of Roberts Knight, in this State and in Massachusetts. The advance will be general throughout the State.

## MISPLACED CONFIDENCE

A newly-married couple were honeymooning in the country when the first batch of letters from home arrived, and the husband teasingly proposed to open one addressed to his wife.

"Certainly not," she said, faintly.

"But, Phyllis," he pretended to re-arrange, "surely you are not going to have any secrets from me now that we are married?"

"I shall not keep any secrets from you, but Phyllis might," his wife said.

"That letter is hers, not mine. I shall probably let you read it after I have, but not till I am sure that Phyllis has told me nothing but what she would be willing for you to know."

"Still, doesn't it imply a lack of confidence when a wife won't show me letters to her husband?"

"Not at all. The lack of confidence is shown by the husband when he demands to see his wife's letters."

"This was unanswerable, and the husband snuck back in his chair in amused delight in his wife's perfect meanness of having said a good thing.

Presently she added:

"I told you so! Here is something Phyllis wouldn't want you to know."

"Then why are you going to tell me?"

"I'm not going to tell you what it is. You are only to know there is something you can't know—at present."

"Phyllis is engaged," he remarked.

"And what if she is? You are not to know to whom."

"To Radcliff," hazarded her husband.

"I didn't say she isn't,"

"Hok could could I say she isn't when she is?"

"Is I really think, my dear, that you might as well let me read that letter," Collier's Weekly.

Attorney—Now, Pat, please tell us what was the animus of your assault upon this man.

Pat—I didn't have any animus. All I hit him with was me fists.—Chicago Times-Herald.

## CONFESSED MURDERER

New York, Dec. 6.—Edgar Burns was arrested this morning and confessed he walked home from the station with Agent Fallows, of Seneca and shot him in the back of the head and dragged him in the bushes and took his victim's cash, a hundred dollars, and took the train for New York. He spent all his time at the bicycle show, where he was arrested.

## LOCAL DASHES

### W. G. Upchurch and Company have

### Mr. Fred M. Walters has now recovered from his recent illness, and is again at his old stand at W. T. Hard-

### The St. Mary's Bazaar opened yesterday in the parish rooms of the Church of the Good Shepherd and will continue throughout the week. The display is exceptionally fine and the refreshments are just what you want. Do not fail to visit the bazaar.

### Miss Vivian Johnson returned to Clayton this morning, after spending five days in the city with her sister, Mrs. E. Hugh Lee.

### Superintendent C. H. Melton is detained at the bedside of his ill mother.

### Miss Jane L. Brown and Miss Lucy J. Brown left this afternoon for Durham, Alabama, to visit Mrs. Byrns, sister of Mr. J. W. Brown, of this city.

### Adjutant General B. S. Ross is in the city.

### Mrs. Lee left this afternoon for Alabama to visit her son, Mr. Cool Lee.

### Revs. W. C. Norman, Dr. T. N. Jevy, R. H. Whitaker and T. H. Bain left this morning for the Conference.

### Mr. J. A. Thomas, editor the Franklin Times, returned to Lenoirburg this morning.

### 450 rainbow trout were received here this morning from Washington by Messrs. Drury, Baker and Lee to stock their pond near the city.

### The body of the negro Nunn, who died at the hospital yesterday, was taken to Clayton this morning for interment.

### The laboratory of Johns Hopkins University, Baltimore, was destroyed by fire Monday and the work in chemistry may have to be elsewhere after Christmas.

## LUMBER COMPANY

### A \$1,000 Corporation for Greensboro Files Articles

W. W. Whyte, of Welch, West Virginia; John M. Stivers, of Greensboro; and John W. McNairy, of Greensboro, today filed articles of agreement for the organization of the Greensboro Lumber Company. The company is incorporated for thirty years, and has a capital stock of \$100,000.

## SHEPHERDS KILLED

Santee, Dec. 6.—Mail reports from Moore county state that fifty sheep-hounds were killed in a blizzard in the mountains last week. The bodies of five are recovered.

## MOTORMAN KILLED

Rutherford, N. J., Dec. 6.—Charence Smith, a motorman, was run over and killed by his own car this morning. He fell over the dashboard, while the car was in motion.

## COTTON.

New York, Dec. 6.—Cotton, Jan. 7.36; March 7.43; May 7.44; July 7.46.

## REPEAL PASSED

Berlin, Dec. 6.—The Imperial Chancellor announced to the Reichstag that the government had assented to the repeal of that law prohibiting workmen's associations. The Reichstag later passed the second reading of the repeal.

## MURDERER BURNED ALIVE

Maysville, Ky., Dec. 6.—A negro, seven hundred burned murderer Coleman, alive today.

## FEDERAL COURT

### A Rush of Business at Today's Session

Federal Court met this morning at 10 o'clock, Judge T. R. Purnell, presiding.

The following cases were disposed of: Harvey Peace and Nelson Hayes, retaining; plead guilty. Judgment suspended on payment of cost.

Wilby Yarbrough, illicit distilling. Judgment, 4 months in jail and \$100 fine.

Frank Davis, retaining; plead guilty. Judgment, 90 days in jail and \$100 fine.

Eate Cash, retaining. Plead guilty. Sentence suspended.

Isaac, alias Isiah McVee, distilling and retaining; verdict, guilty.

Jude Johnson, concealing, &c. Plead guilty. Defendant dismissed on payment of costs.

Bez Spiwey, retaining. Judgment, 30 days in jail.

Wm. Hogwood, verdict, not guilty.

Malcolm Cole, verdict, not guilty.

## SNOW STORM

Rutland, N. Y., Dec. 6.—Early this morning a heavy snow storm, the Rutland Railway Company was tied up by yesterday's snow storm. Mrs. Martin was found in the street unconscious overcome by the storm.

## THE RACE

New York, Dec. 6.—(10 a. m.)—Walker Miller 1.18.5; Gunn Pierce, 1.148.4; Maya McEachern, 1.148.3; Fisher Chevalier, 1.147.9.

## MOLINEUX CASE

New York, Dec. 6.—In the Molineux case the cross examination of Helles failed to shake the testimony that he wrote the letter, at the dictation of Molineux, to injure Harper. The aim of the prosecution is to fix the responsibility for the anonymous letters on Molineux.

## SEAWELL KING DEAD

Mr. Seawell King, a farmer of Hope-Creek Township, died at his home last afternoon, aged 79 years, and a body was interred this afternoon. The funeral will be held later.

## LOST

—One of the sailor suits used in Chimes of Normandy. Please return to Benj. Hardy.

## BOERS ACTIVE

### They are Discouraged by Methune's Strength

### THEY WANT CECIL RHODES

### BOERS DIVIDED

### CECIL CAPTED

### JOUBERT SICK

### FAIR AN DWARFER

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## WHAT THE DICKEY BIRDS SAY

### They Flutter and Chatter and Gossip and Philosophize on a Crisp Morning.

The dickey birds were in assembly this morning. They were in such spirits as to inspire much noisy chattering, comment and observation. As usual, they talked of many matters which, according to custom, must be kept serious, but they also made remarks that may be repeated. Here are some that reached with the reporter's ears:

That some old stagers, and young would-be natters, are learning that they may blow in cash for flowers for, and send billet doux to the pretty chorists of an amateur company, and yet be distinguished by dukes who know how to stick their noses right in the faces of said chorists girls when talking to them.

That some "jokes" and "sayings" which are frequently formulated in the parlour of a pretty hostess are about as hollow and empty as the shells of a certain retort which is sometimes served by the aforesaid pretty hostess.

That a certain young lady in the city who cultivates doubt concerning nearly everything that is told ought to take a few lessons in the art of accepting some statements for what they may prove to be worth.

That the singer of topical songs in the comic opera ought to have spared the belated arrivals at receptions as well as the late comers at the opera.

That people who keep callers waiting for three-quarters of an hour cannot hope to have a continuous run of callers of either desirable or uninteresting qualities.

That there is some speculation as to whether there will be any change, and if so, what kind of change there will be, in the tactics of war on certain announcements with the incoming of new ministers of public morals.

That a certain Sunday evening concert in this city can show a record of attendance on the part of its members and patrons that cannot be equalled by any other Sunday event now being conducted.

That if the weather man ever makes such another blunder as occurred Friday night by which the opera attendance was decreased two-thirds and the transportation expenses of those who had "previous engagements" was increased three-fourths, he will be waited on by a special committee.

That the young gentleman who complains that he cannot pay up his summer trip expenses before he is felled by Christmas, is being much sympathized with by the "there are others."

That the presence of a big bass violin at a theatrical performance may be desirable, but when it manages to obscure about one-third of the stage, it is performing much more than its proper part of the programme.

That those people who are quickest to form and announce conclusions, in connection with the occasional association of young ladies and gentlemen, are the very people who find it difficult, if not impossible, to effect similar associations for themselves.

That lawyers are beginning to be about as much puzzled as to what law is as a layman.

That "eight dollars a dozen" is the proposition which stares in the face the swain who proposes to send "the" latest and most fashionable floral offering during the coming holidays.

That people who, when in a company, keep in a strained watch for an opportunity to make a noise with their tongues, ought to be reasonably certain that they have something to say before making such an effort.

That a person who refuses, from any motive, to utilize a chance to snatch from the fleeting hours of time a fitting, spicy, exhilarating pleasure ought to be subjected to no less a punishment than having all such opportunities forever withheld from him.

That in social life the heaviest burden and worst nature are inflicted when two people who have something to say to each other are compelled into surroundings in which they can't say it.

That some people with robust voices and loosely hung tongues make the horrible mistake of supposing that the vigorousness of these accoutrements constitute entertainment.

That some people who persist in believing that they cannot do something are scheduled to miss connection with very many desirable things they could easily do.

That the financial Klondike recently discovered in Raleigh by some fat fakes, is liable to breed an invasion of medium-sized arduous and ruinous manipulators.

That the recommendations of certain aldermanic committee are as much to be feared as the Greek's hearing gifts.

That a certain young two poet of the city is both soulful and brilliant enough in his productions, but he cannot hope to hide the source of his inspiration.

That the word snow has become indicative of something much warmer than winter's white shield, with a tendency to melt very much easier.

That people whose souls are swelling with music cannot hope for relief until some of said music is let off either through their lungs or their finger tips.

That until last week it was popularly supposed that the foot-lights of an opera stage were intended to "illuminate the scene" and not to be raised for the purpose of blinding the audience.

That to miss an opportunity for seeing something graceful and beautiful is as much of a crime as to miss an opportunity for doing something benevolent or charitable.

That some people are so blatantly Puritanical, that they would, if they could, take the bright spring from the year and the happy days of exuberant life from youth.

That a certain literary club in the city might employ a medium of wit at its monthly meeting by the adoption of the principle of brevity in its various papers and essays.

That the approaching departure of a certain graceful young belle from this city will result in a belief on the part of some people that a "long felt want" is powerful hard to fill.

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