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The News & Observer's board of strategy still continues to deplore the way the war is being conducted.

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SMACKS OF RUSSELLISM.

The letter of J. M. Newborne, Superintendent of the State prison at Raleigh, replying to letters of inquiry relative to information concerning the State prison, written by Mr. F. M. Simmons is an insulting and audacious production, and yet one quite worthy and in perfect keeping with the character of the present State administration, headed by D. L. Russell.

This letter, signed by J. M. Newborne, but which the Post very wisely attributes to Governor Russell, as its contents very clearly show Russellism in every paragraph, in no way seeks to answer the inquiries made concerning the State prison, a public institution whose record and accounts should be open to every citizen in the State.

The report of this institution, in violation of the law, is kept from the public, and a request for a showing of its management calls forth a torrent of abuse from its Superintendent (?).

It is not surprising that Governor Russell orders a suppression of the facts of the State prison's inside workings, for the scandals which have already leaked forth would confound and damn any character except a Daniel L. Russell.

The same old thing is repeated in the case of this inquiry, as has been seen in all parts of the State where trouble threatened, the Governor fearful of the weakness of his appointees, and fearing some exposure has taken up the defence, and by denial, contempt of personal rights or bulldozing, or altogether, has tried to throw off suspicion and ward off public investigation.

This Newborne signed letter of low down scurrility is a Russell subterfuge to escape investigation of the State prison, which fairly reeks with scandals and mismanagement. But let no Russell mislead escape! The public should demand a report of State institutions as required by law, and no Russell dictatorship should prevent such reports.

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Strange to Him

First Naval Reserve—it seems strange to see that vessel laboring so. Second Naval Reserve—Why strange? "Because it's a tramp steamer."

Robbed the Grave.

A starting incident of which Mr. John Oliver of Philadelphia, was the subject, is narrated by him as follows: "I was in a most dreadful condition. My skin was almost yellow, eyes sunken, tongue coated, pain continually in back and sides, no appetite—gradually growing weaker day by day. Three physicians had given me up. Fortunately, a friend advised trying 'Electric Bitters,' and to my great joy and surprise, the first bottle made a decided improvement. I continued their use for three weeks, and am now a well man. I know they saved my life, and robbed the grave of another victim." No one should fail to try them. Only 50 cts. per bottle at F. S. Duffy's Drug Store.

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A Japanese Dinner. He found the great room up stairs half full of people, who were seated in a semi-circle at one end, writes Mrs. Minnie C. Fraser in The Fall Magazine. Characters was a little late, and the rest had begun the indescribable meal which is called Japanese dinner.

What strikes him first perhaps is the uncanny familiarity of some of them. If this is really his first visit to little Japan, where could he possibly have seen three pink shells lying on golden straw in a scarlet plate or a large white fish, with be-seething countenances, comfortably put to bed among sparkling rashes, all appearing to grow out of the meshes of that fairy basket work? Where, in the name of sanity, has he had sugar peonies and chrysanthemums done to the life double their natural size or octopi and red emerald-artificially chasing each other on plates of coral and glass? Is this the stuff that dreams are made of?

Then he remembers. Of course they have all come out of the embroideries and off the bejeweled tables of his childhood. The dinner is an object lesson in exquisite arrangements of form and color and should be regarded as such. Viewed as food it is distinctly unsatisfactory and far, far too satisfying. The impression on rising stiff and dizzy from the floor is that of having watched a kaleidoscope and swallowed Mont Blanc.

Dignity and Trouser. Husband—My dear, these trousers are frayed at the bottom. Wife—They are the best you've got, John, except your dress trousers. Husband—Well, give those to me. I have an important interview today in which I expect to be at different times proud, haughty, indifferent and perhaps a trifle disdainful. A man can't be all that successfully with fringes on the bottoms of his trousers.—London Answers.

Vanderpyver, a Belgian, states that the length of exposure for radiographs through limbs of different dimensions varies as the cubes of their thickness. M. Bondeard states that Roentgen rays can diagnose pleurisy and similar complaints. A Barren School. The uproar was like that of a runaway engine tearing through a tunnel. The floor was littered with youngsters lying on their stomachs, and all bawling with an energy indicative that somebody was hurting them.

ON EAR. I suffered from rheumatism on the right ear. I could hardly keep my hands off it, the itching was so severe. Small bubbles would open, emitting a watery-like substance, apparently poisonous.

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Reading Sealed Letters. A German Scientist Shows How This May Be Accomplished. It is not generally known that sealed letters may in many cases be read without opening the envelopes or doing them the least injury. It was discovered by a German physiologist by the use of an embryoscope, or egg glass, that the shells of eggs were of very unequal thickness.

He called in other observers to confirm this. The letters, however, that could thus be deciphered were written in dark ink on one side of the paper only. If four written sides were folded together, and especially if these had been crossing, it was hard to make out the drift of the writing, and there are some kinds of writing which, when folded twice or thrice, admit too little light for the purpose of decipherment.

In this way possibly many of the performances of "chirovants" may be explained. By means of the egg glass it is, as a rule, easier to make out the contents of letter or telegram without the slightest tampering with the envelope than it is to detect the movements of the embryo in the egg.

Suppose the writer of a billet, the contents of which are known only to himself, lets it out of his hand and loses sight of it for five minutes. It may be readily carried either into the direct sunlight or into electric or magnesium light and be read by the aid of the egg glass. The placing of a piece of cartridge paper in the envelope or the coloring of it black is a means of defeat at hand.

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