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CAROLINA'S GREAT MAN.

The last Legislature saw as able a body of men as is apt to be seen in this generation in a purely political body. There were no incompetents there, and there were giants among the number.

While there may be a difference of opinion as to what man possessed the greatest amount of all around ability in the late Assembly, there can be no question in naming the man whose personality had the greatest weight and who reared the greatest personal triumphs during the session.

The two striking instances when the result was almost entirely due to the personal influence of Senator Osborne were the Wilson trial and the Charlotte dispensary case.

In the Charlotte dispensary case the fight was a hard one. A petition with over three thousand names of the white voters of Mecklenburg was brought down asking for the dispensary.

However, this is only intended as introductory to what Senator Osborne said at the close of his dispensary speech. There was not an inch of vacant space in the Senate chamber on the floor or in the gallery, for it was known that Osborne would speak that night and as he himself put it "it was the Senator from Mecklenburg who was on trial."

After he had gone over the subject of the dispensary and thanked the Senators for the support they had given and were about to give him, he said, "before I close I want to say a few words on the Constitutional Amendment. I have not spoken on the subject, and did not know that I would, but I will do so now. I wish to say that I voted for the amendment not so much to disfranchise the black man as to enfranchise the white man of North Carolina. It has not been possible in North Carolina for a man to have an honest opinion and express it without the issue of 'nigger' coming in. After 1900 the white man of this State can think for himself and form and express a free opinion on all our great national questions."

The morning star of hope is rising in North Carolina when such words are heard in the Capitol of the State and from such a Democrat as Senator Osborne. For thirty years it has been "party" to "vote for the devil if he is on the ticket" has been orthodox political faith. The constitutional amendment will "enfranchise the white man" and the next decade will see North Carolinians in National affairs meeting on equal terms the best men of other States.

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Mr. J. E. Lilly, a prominent citizen of Hamblin, Mo., lately had a wonderful deliverance from a frightful death. In falling of the sky, I was taken with Typhoid Fever, and had high Pyrexia. My lungs became hardened. I was so weak I could not even get up in bed. Nothing helped me. I expected to soon die of Consumption, when I heard of Dr. King's New Discovery. One bottle gave great relief. I continued to use it, and now am well and strong. I can't say too much in its praise. This marvelous medicine is the most and greatest cure in the world for all Throat and Lung Trouble. Regular sizes 50c and \$1.00. Trial bottles free at P. S. Duff's drug store; every bottle guaranteed.

Mr. W. A. Turk, General Passenger Agent of the Southern Railway, is collecting information for Summer Home Folder for the ensuing Summer, giving the names of proprietors, post office addresses, at or near what station, conveyances used, number of guests, terms per day, week and month. This information will be printed in an attractive form and a large edition published and distributed by the various agents of this immense system throughout all sections of the country. Persons contemplating taking boarders for the ensuing Summer are requested to apply to the nearest railroad agent for blank to be filled giving the above information, and forward at once to W. A. Turk, General Passenger Agent Washington, D. C., so that it may reach him not later than April 1st.

When in Bayboro stop at the Lupton House for good recommendations.

Pains Dispelled. Rheumatism. I have been suffering for three years with rheumatism, and have never found anything that would do me any good, until I began taking Hood's Sarsaparilla. I very soon felt a change and continued to use until I had taken five bottles, when the pains of rheumatism had all disappeared. G. S. CARTER, Trenton, O.

Hood's Sarsaparilla. The best—In fact the One True Blood Purifier. It not only gets rid of the impurities with Hood's Sarsaparilla.

Nothing Settles. "Maud has promised to become my wife." "Well, don't worry about it, my dear! Women frequently break their promises."

An Honest Medicine for La Grippe. George W. Wait of South Gardner, Me., says: "I have had the worst cough, cold, chills and grip and have taken lots of drags of no account, but profit to the vendor. Chamberlain's Cough Remedy is the only thing that has done any good whatever. I have used one 50-cent bottle and the chills, cold and grip have all left me. I congratulate the manufacturer of an honest medicine." For sale by P. S. Duff.

Out of Season. "Andrew Carnegie asks: 'Where is the college made man?'" "Let him wait patiently until the base ball season opens, and then the college-made man will be in evidence, as usual."

A Giant Nerve Builder. The Mystic Life Renewer is the most powerful Nerve Builder known. It absolutely cures all forms of Nervous Diseases and Weaknesses no matter how aggravated or how long duration, such as Neuritis, Nervous Prostration, Paralysis, St. Vitus' Dance, Palpitation of the Heart, Physical and Mental Weakness, Debility of Old Age, etc. Sold by Henry's Pharmacy.

Paralyzed Him. Cholty—What did you answer him when he called you a liar and said he was your huckleberry if you wanted to fight? "Freddie—I told him, how Jove, I don't hate huckleberries! How Jove, I hate 'em just as much as you do!"

For La Grippe. Thomas Whitfield & Co., 240 Wabash av., corner Johnson-st., one of Chicago's oldest and most prominent druggists, recommends Chamberlain's Cough Remedy for La Grippe, as it not only gives a prompt and complete relief, but also counteracts any tendency of La Grippe to result in pneumonia. For sale by P. S. Duff.

Art Impulses. "I wonder why the sky in his pictures is always so yellow?" "Oh, blue sky is so contrived!"

No Right to U. Nines. The woman who is lively in face, form and temper will always have friends, but one who would be attractive must keep her health. If she is weak, sickly and all run down, she will be nervous and irritable. If she has constipation or kidney trouble, her figure will become plump, blotchy, skin eruptions and a wretched complexion. Electric Bitters is the best medicine in the world to regulate stomach, liver and kidneys and to purify the blood. It gives strength, bright eyes, smooth, velvety skin and complexion. It will make a good looking, charming woman of a run-down invalid. Only 50 cents at P. S. Duff's drug store.

Qualified. Teacher—What do you suppose will do for you when you grow up if you never learn anything? Johnny—(dunno). Suppose I'll have to be a jurymen.

STORY OF A VIOLIN. ONE FOR WHICH FABULOUS SUMS HAD BEEN OFFERED. The Queer Discoverer That Was Made When This Rare Old Instrument and Its Owner Were Caught in a Railroad Smash Up.

"Among the failures tenaciously clinging to the past are those who fancy themselves possessed of what is called the 'artistic temperament'—is that one which permeates the soulful tones of an irreparable, scrupulously finished, beautiful composition," said a well known Washington violinist. "This is an audacious delusion which I am about to penetrate to some small extent by relating a story of my recent experience as to the fate of a violin which I have recently discovered. It is a story of a 'find' and of the possibility of great wealth."

"This violin is said to have been for the past 50 years or so one of the finest of American-made instruments. It is a Bostonian and has lived in Boston all of its life, except when he has been consigned to the country, and he gave that up some years ago. He is a man of fine family, and he traces his ancestry very directly indeed back to the Mayflower and beyond. There has been a violinist in his family ever since the Mayflower got over to this side, and also a violin. The violin brought over by the Mayflower progenitor of the Massachusetts family was a genuine and very valuable Stradivarius. In fact, it is one of the finest violins of the world, and it was handed down by him to his eldest son, whom he made into a violinist and thus transmitted from sire to son, going always to the son who exhibited the greatest aptitude for the violin.

"It fell into the hands of this Boston violinist of whom I am speaking more than 30 years ago, when he was a young lad. It was a beautiful instrument in finish, and its tone was marvellous. It was the one heirloom of the family regarding which the greatest amount of space was consumed in the many wills made by its owners since the early days of Massachusetts, and it has been cared for throughout its long life—well, as an orchid is cared for during its short life. Fabulous sums were offered for it by great European violinists who came to the United States only in this century. One Bull made an enormous offer for it upon his first visit to the United States, and he wrote to the father of the Boston violinist, suggesting that he should sell it to him. A deaf ear was turned to all of these offers. It was intended that the violin should always remain with the descendants of the man who brought it over in the Mayflower. Well, some time ago this Boston violinist, while traveling from Boston to New York to take part in a concert, got into a railroad smash up. He was in the sleeper at the time of the collision, with his violin beside him. He was so badly wrecked before he got out of the smash-up that he was not completely disabled. When he found himself extricated and an onlooker at the wrecking proceedings, he suddenly bethought him of his precious Strad. He had to be held to prevent him from climbing back on top of the wreck to get at his instrument. After seven or eight hours, during which he hung about the wreck like a crazy man, his violin was handed to him in its leather case. The case was crushed in. The Boston violinist had the heartbreak of opening the case and seeing his glorious instrument crushed in. He took it back to Boston with him and carefully picked out the pieces of the wrecked violin. Inside of it he found the neck, the body, and the f-hole, which were very small and fine in the workmanship of the last century and dated 1750.

"This bit of writing was a confession. It stated that this was not the great Strad that had been bought over in the Mayflower. The writer, who had inherited the violin before the middle of the last century, had been hard up for money, the pasted note went on to say. So on one of his European trips he had a precise duplicate of his glorious Strad made in Italy by an accomplished violin counterfeiter. The genuine Strad he had sold to a great French violinist, and this instrument was but a perfect duplicate—a replica. With the statement that he could not die and hand down to posterity a perpetual fraud, the writer of the pasted note went on to say that he had had the top of the counterfeit Strad removed and had pasted the confession within, thus in some measure saving his guilty conscience.

"This was a hard blow to the Boston violinist, as you may well believe. He went secretly to work to trace the original Strad that had been bought over by his ancestor. In the Mayflower, and it did not take him long to ascertain that the Strad is now the property of a certain person. Then the Boston violinist had his broken counterfeit Strad patched up by an expert, and when it was put together again it was found not to have lost a particle of its former glorious tone. The Boston violinist, who had inherited the violin from his ancestor, was now in a position to make a fortune. He was able to take care of himself, even when it got mixed up in matters of business."—Washington Star.

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