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MODERATE MEANS AND HIGH OFFICE.

Each year seems to show more and more, that the man of moderate means cannot accept a high public office, State or National, at the hands of the people.

The salaries paid Congressmen, Senators, Governors, Cabinet Officers, and even the President of the country, once looked large and more than amply sufficient for every personal want, with something to be saved from a term of office. But that was a score or more years ago.

Today, these salaries are trifling in amount, compared with the official and social obligations that must be met, particularly the latter.

On this subject the Boston Post says: "According to the gossip of Washington Secretary Gage has spent \$100,000 over and above his salary of \$6,000 a year as Secretary of the Treasury upon living expenses while holding that office.

According to the same authority Attorney-General Knox, the "trust lawyer" began his service by buying a house for \$140,000 and bringing on a team of horses that cost \$15,000. It is now reported that Mrs. Shaw, whose husband has been called to take the place left vacant by Secretary Gage, says: "Mr. Shaw told me Senator Allison assured him we would be able to go out in society all that is necessary on \$5,000 a year more than his salary, and I guess we can stand that for a few years."

Governor Shaw is credited with a fortune of about \$1,500,000 gained in legitimate business.

According to this it must be the millionaire who can accept a cabinet position, hence the President's advisers must be drawn exclusively from the rich class.

It is indeed unfortunate that the man with ability and address, but without ample fortune, is practically barred from important positions.

Even in North Carolina, there are men who would hardly accept public office, because the position means giving up a good business or fine profession which is more than sufficient for their present social obligations, while the pay from the public office would not be enough to meet their new social requirements.

There is no question but that both State and Nation are requiring too much "social" measure, as a requirement for its public men, and making less the qualifications of ability and personal address.

Deafness Cannot be Cured by local applications, as they cannot reach the diseased portion of the ear, there is only one way to cure deafness, and that is by constitutional remedies. Deafness is caused by an inflamed condition of the mucous lining of the Eustachian Tube. When this tube gets inflamed you have a rumbling sound or imperfect hearing, and when it is entirely closed deafness is the result, and unless the inflammation can be taken out and this tube restored to its normal condition, hearing will be destroyed forever; nine cases out of ten are caused by catarrh, which is nothing but an inflamed condition of the mucous surfaces.

We will give One Hundred Dollars for any case of Deafness (caused by catarrh) that cannot be cured by Hall's Catarrh Cure. Send for circulars, free.

F. J. CHENEY & CO., Toledo, O. Sold by Druggists, 75c. Hall's Family Pills are the best.

Perkins's cross. The city of Portland, Me., has in its streets 50,000 crosses from some of which were planted more than half a century ago.

Big Prizes For Airships. St. Louis, Jan. 2.—At a meeting of the executive committee of the World's Fair Association this afternoon it was decided to hold an aerial tournament in 1903, at which cash prizes aggregating between \$250,000 and \$300,000 will be awarded for the most perfect airship.

Beat Out of an Increase of His Pension. A Mexican war veteran and prominent editor writes: "Seeing the advertisement of Chamberlain's Cough Remedy and Diarrhoea Remedy, I am reminded that as a soldier in Mexico in '49 and '50 I contracted Mexican diarrhoea and this remedy has kept me from getting as increased my pension for an every increase of \$100.00."

It can't help. I have several Central buildings for sale, situated in the best locations in the city. Also a number of good building lots in good locations. J. J. WOLFENDEN, New Bern, N. C.

Wodol Dyspepsia Cure Digests what you eat. This preparation contains all of the digestants and digests all kinds of food. It gives instant relief and never fails to cure. It allows you to eat all the food you want. The most sensitive stomachs can take it. By its use many ailments which have been long considered incurable have been cured. It prevents formation of gas on the stomach, relieving all distress after eating. Distinguishes between food that is to be digested and food that is to be rejected. It can't help.

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TRICKS OF THE TRADE.

Dear, Mr. Jones and Messrs. What Are You Doing?

"What becomes of the owners?" was the response.

Neither side seemed disposed to answer the query, and there was an awkward silence. The barber slapped his razor on the strap, smeared some extra lather on the victim's mouth so he wouldn't be inclined to interrupt and said in a stage whisper:

"Now, I'll tell you, but I don't want it shouted from the housetops. We use the mugs again."

He paused and sighed as he tossed the questioner's head the other way.

"Yes," he continued, "we use them again. We don't like to lose customers, but if we must lose them, why, we don't mind if they leave their cups, etc., behind. It's surprising how many do; but, then, barbers do mostly a 'shifting trade.' It's no secret that we urge customers to have their own cup. Most of them are satisfied if they have a private cup, brush and sponge. We supply them with the man's name on the cup for \$1.50, and our profit on the transaction is 50 cents. When a man has a razor and comb and brush besides the other tools, he generally takes the whole lot away when he's leaving, but countless cups, brushes and sponges are left behind in every barber shop.

"The cups are always good. Many of them contain such common names as John Smith, William Jones, etc., and when some other John Smith or William Jones orders a cup we simply supply him with the cast off one. Sometimes they need a little touching up with gilding; but, on the whole, it's very profitable.

"The brushes and sponges? Oh, we use them on the transients."—New York Telegram.

Charity's Choice. "Mummy, I do wish I might give some money for poor children's dinners."

"So you may, darling."

"But, mummy, I haven't any money."

"Well, darling, if you like to go without sugar I will give you the money instead, and then you will have some."

The small child considered solemnly for a moment, and then said, "Must it be sugar, mummy?"

"Why, no, darling. I don't mind much. What would you like to do without?"

"How would soap do, mummy, then?" exclaimed the small maiden in triumph.—Philadelphia Ledger.

The Dispute Aggravated. Buenos Ayres, Jan. 4.—The dispute with Chili is again aggravated, owing to the alleged unfairness of the Chilean diplomats, during the negotiations. The people around the attitude of the Government.

CASTORIA. The Kid You Run Always Bought. Castoria is a safe and reliable remedy for all ailments of the bowels, stomach, and lungs. It is a family medicine and is sold by all druggists.

Will Teach English. Mexico City, Jan. 4.—The Department of Public Instruction has suppressed the study of Latin in the great preparatory school in this city, where young men are prepared for professional careers, and replaced it with English.

Dr. Bull's Baby Syrup for Teething Babies. Price, 10c. Cures Wind-Colic, Diarrhoea, Dysentery, Griping Pains, Sour Stomach, Fever, Cholera Infantum. Dr. Bull's Baby Syrup promotes the digestion and soothes the baby.

Spring Weather in England. London, Jan. 4.—After a period of gales which strewed the coasts with wreckage and completely disorganized the telegraphic service, English weather has assumed spring-like mildness.

Heads Should Never Ache. Never endure this trouble. Use at once the remedy that stopped it for Mrs. N. A. Webster, of Winoke, Va. She writes: "Dr. King's New Life Pills wholly cured me of sick headaches I had suffered from for two years."

Asylum Loss. Richmond, Va., Jan. 4.—The result of the burning of the Tower building at the Eastern State Hospital for the Insane at Williamsburg today, was the loss of one life, one patient missing and a monetary loss of \$75,000.

Carriage's Gift. Washington, Jan. 4.—Andrew Carnegie's \$10,000,000 donation to the United States government for educational purposes will be handled by an incorporated organization known as the Carnegie Institution, which was organized at the State Department.

Salvation Oil the Best Liniment. Price, 15c. Large bottle 25c. Great relief for Rheumatism, Neuralgia, Sprains, Bruises, Burns, Scalds, Cuts, Wounds, Swellings, Itchings, and all other ailments. It is a family medicine and is sold by all druggists.

Pickled Red Cabbage. In pickling red cabbage if a little saltpeter is added it will give it a splendid color and also make it very crisp.

Finda Way to Live Long. The startling announcement of a Discovery that will surely lengthen life is made by editor O. H. Downey, of Chatterbox, Ind. "I wish to state," he writes, "that Dr. King's New Discovery for Consumption is the most infallible remedy that I have ever known for Coughs, Colds and Grip. It is invaluable to people with weak lungs. Having this wonderful medicine in my own household I can state that it has cured many cases of Consumption, and given relief to many others."

NEW BERN PRODUCE MARKET. Wholesale prices current. Eggs, per doz., 30c. Chickens, old per pair, 60c to 80c. Young, per pair, 80c to 1.00. Pork, per lb., 6c to 7c. Beef, 6c to 7c. Hides, green, per lb., 15c. Dry, 10c to 11c. Beechwood, 2 to 2 1/2. Sweet Potatoes, Yams, per bush, 40 to 50. Bahama, 80c. Corn, per bush, 80c. Oats, 75c. Peanuts, 60c.

Local Grain Market. Corn, per bu., \$1.20. Oats, per bu., .75. Meal, per bu., .80. Hominy, per bu., .80. Corn bran, per bu., .60. Wheat bran, per bu., 1.30. Feed, 100 lb., 1.35. Cotton seed meal, 100 lb., 1.50. Cotton seed hulls, 100 lb., 1.35. Ship stull, .40. No. 1 Timothy, per ton, 90.00.

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A Bad Disease

There is a certain disease that has come down to us through many centuries and is older than history itself, yet very few outside of those who have learned from bitter experience know anything of its nature or characteristics. At first a little sore or sore appears, then glands of the neck or groin swell, pimples break out on the breast, back or some other part of the body and fill with yellow pus-like matter; the mouth and throat become sore and the tongue is at all times badly coated. Headaches are frequent, and muscles and joints throb and hurt, especially during damp, rainy weather. These are some of the symptoms of that most loathsome of all diseases, Contagious Blood Poison.

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OUR MEDICAL DEPARTMENT, is doing a noble work in relieving suffering. Give our physicians a short history of your case and get their advice. This will cost you nothing, and what you say will be held in strictest confidence. With their help and a copy of our book on Contagious Blood Poison you can manage your own case and cure yourself at home.

SWIFT SPECIFIC CO., Atlanta, Ga.

A Lost Chance. "He that will not when he may" is likely to repent his indecision for many a long day afterward. A lady who had spent a weary hour in "beating down" the salesman at a Turkish shop in Paris returned the next day prepared to purchase. "I believe you said 20 francs," she began, taking out her purse.

"Ninety, madame!" answered the smiling Turk.

"But you came down to twenty!"

"Ah, that was yesterday, madame! Everything goes up again in the night!"

Careless. Mrs. Gaddie—My husband's no slipshod. His buttons are forever coming off.

Mrs. Godee (severely)—Perhaps they are not sewed on properly.

Mrs. Gaddie—That's just it. He's awfully careless about his sewing.—Philadelphia Press.

Promptly Given. He—My train goes in fifteen minutes. Can you not give me one ray of hope before I leave you forever?

She—Er—that clock is half an hour fast.—Brooklyn Life.

A Prominent Woman Speaks. Prof. Roxa Tyler, of Chicago, Vice-President Illinois Woman's Alliance, in speaking of Chamberlain's Cough Remedy, says: "I suffered with a severe cold this winter which threatened to run in to pneumonia. I tried different remedies but it seemed to grow worse and the medicine upset my stomach. A friend advised me to try Chamberlain's Cough Remedy and I found it was pleasant to take and it relieved me at once. I am now entirely recovered, saved a doctor's bill, time and suffering, and I will never be without this splendid medicine again."

For sale by F. S. Duffy & Co.

San Salvador's Indigo. Nearly the whole of the Central American indigo crop is gathered in San Salvador.

The Cockroach. The common cockroach has spread throughout the civilized world by means of ships. The disagreeable bug comes and goes on ships almost as freely as the rats. The two seem to live together amicably, and they monopolize largely the holds of the ships which carry foodstuffs.

Rheumatism Cured in a Day. Myalgic Cure for Rheumatism and Neuralgia radically cures in 1 to 3 days. Its action upon the system is remarkable and mysterious. It removes at once the cause and the disease immediately disappears. The first dose greatly benefits. 75 cents and \$1.00. Sold by T. A. Henry, Druggist, New Bern.

Numbered Horses. Every horse in the British army is numbered and has a little history kept for it all its life. The number is branded upon the animal's hind feet, the thousands on the rear hind foot and the units, tens and hundreds on the off hind foot.

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Maud—Kitty, do you know what awful things people are saying about you?

Kitty—No, dear, and I suppose you do not know what terrible things people are saying about you.

Maud—Perhaps, on the whole, it is well that neither of us should be enlightened.—Boston Transcript.

The Mother's Favorite. Chamberlain's Cough Remedy is the mother's favorite. It is pleasant and safe for children to take and always cures. It is intended especially for coughs, colds, croup and whooping cough, and is the best medicine made for these diseases. There is not the least danger in giving it to children for it contains no opium or other injurious drug and may be given as confidently to a babe as to an adult. For Sale by F. S. Duffy & Co.

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In the matter of accommodations, this Bank meets every requirement within the limits of prudent banking.

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In the early future, we propose adding a novel, yet substantial Savings Bank feature to our already progressive institution.

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J. J. Wolfenden, New Bern, N. C.

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The Military Duty of the Engineering Institutions. Rear-Adm. George W. Melville, Engineer-in-Chief, U. S. Navy. A New Era in Mexico. Prof. Paul B. Reinsch.

The Place of Geography in the Elementary School. H. N. W. T. Harris, U. S. Commissioner of Education.

Problems of Our Educational System. W. De Witt Hyde, President of Bowdoin College.

The Americanization of England. Earl Mayo.

Problems of Irrigation Legislation. Prof. Elwood Mead.

Reciprocity with Canada. Hon. John Charlton, M. P., Member of the Anglo-American Joint High Commission.

The Philippines and Our Military Power. John F. Shafroth, from Colorado.

The Chinese in America. Sanyow Pang.

The Bakers Progress in Tariff Legislation. Jacob Schoenof.

Our Honor and Cuba's Need. Marston Wilcox.

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The disinfectant that disinfects and deodorizes. We keep on hand a complete stock of Medicines, Toilet Articles, Perfumery, Tooth Brushes, &c. Physicians' Prescriptions a specialty.

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