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EDITORIAL

JUS' KEEP ON KEEPIN' ON.

If the day looks kinder gloomy An' your chances kinder slim; If the situation's puzzlin', An' the prospect awful grim, An' perplexities keep pressin' Till all hope is nearly gone, Jus' bristle up, and grit your teeth, An' keep on keepin' on. Fumin' never wins a fight An' frettin' never pays; There ain't no good in broodin' in These pessimistic ways— Smile jus' kinder cheerfully When hope is nearly gone, An' bristle up, and grit your teeth, An' keep on keepin' on. There ain't no use in growlin' An' grumblin' all the time When music's ringin' everywhere, An' everything's a rhyme— Jus' keep on smilin' cheerfully, If hope is nearly gone, An' bristle up, and grit your teeth, An' keep on keepin' on. —Anon.

THE IRREGULARITY OF THE MAILS.

We have heard quite a good deal of complaint in regard to the irregularity of the mails in this county. Now just where the trouble is we cannot say, "but surely there is something rotten in Denmark." We receive letters most every day from different sources complaining about not getting their papers. Some say that they get their paper two or three weeks after it has been printed. Some never get them at all.

Now what is the trouble? The answer is, simply carelessness of the postmasters. A postmaster has a responsible place to fill. A place which should be filled with much care and pride, and unless so filled the postmaster is not worthy of his high calling. Now let us do better in the future and not have so much complaining along this line. It is just as easy to be careful in handling the mails as it is to be careless, regardless of the grave responsibility, which rests upon the postmasters.

At the term of Polk County Court just passed, the case of A. French et al. against the Commissioners of Polk County et al. was tried. Mr. G. C. Justice and R. S. Eaves secured a decree declaring the bonds valid and holding that the Acts of Assembly under which they were voted were passed in accordance with the state constitution. This forever sets at rest the validity of the bonds.

BRIEF AND BREEZY.

If Jim Tillman took any part in entertaining the President in South Carolina, the newspapers didn't mention it.

Senator Depew wishes it distinctly understood that he is not in the market for grizzled and hoary jokes; he's got them to give away.

The gentlemen of the House committee that has reported a bill for an elastic currency are not necessarily rubber-necks.

Minister Wu would doubtless pay liberally for the privilege of doing a little talking back at Senators.

All coons look alike to the people of Lawton, Oklahoma, and they like none of them.

New York policemen are red hot reformers when there is no chance for them to profit by winking at law-breaking.

Fitz Lee says he isn't seeking a diplomatic job, but that is no reason why he should refuse one big enough if it was offered him.

The "steering" committee of the Senate has pushed the Philippine bill, which is likely to be jawed over for weeks, ahead of the Nicaragua canal bill. But its members still insist that the canal bill will be given a chance.

Senator Jones, of Ark., is doubtless glad now that he owns that stock in the round bale cotton company.

Is the Clark family trying to form a Senatorial trust? There will be three Clark's in the Senate when Clark, of Ark., takes his seat.

Outside trust companies will not be allowed to handle estates in Connecticut, unless a decision of the Supreme Court of Errors can be knocked out.

According to the report of the Grand Jury of St. Louis its official bribery has for years been quite up to the New York, Chicago or Philadelphia standard. If a few of the criminals can be convicted in time they would make edifying exhibits for the exposition.

Humph! So England is going to protest against the action of Congress in favoring our own people by abolishing the export duty on hemp shipped direct from the Philippines to the U. S. The protest is likely to be just about as effective as one made against a parent favoring his own children.

The men who are about to put \$6,000,000 in Marconi's wireless telegraph system are not nerveless whatever else they may be.

Bank looters have been acting on the idea that the small banks had too much money on hand.

Danger at a football match isn't confined to the players. The collapse of a stand at Glasgow, Scotland, killed 21 and injured 250 persons.

That Berlin has some wideawake real estate operators was shown by the offer to sell a palace that its owners didn't know what to do with to the U. S. for our embassy.

The latest tomfoolery in connection with that special embassy to the coronation of King Edward is that its members are to pay their own expenses. It is questionable in the minds of many whether this embassy should have been named, but so long as it was named and as it will appear as the representative of this nation its expenses should be provided for by Congress.

When contractors fall out the State learns that it was robbed. At least, it turned out that way in Montana.

The U. S. and Mexico have arranged to give the Hague arbitration commission its first job.

A fact difficult of explanation is that some of the world's best humor was written by men in the deepest trouble, mentally and physically.

John Bates, who has been arrested for a murder committed in 1895, is another believer in the adage, "murder will out."

Cecil Rhodes and Andrew Carnegie appear to have had some educational ideas in common, but Rhodes waited until after he was dead to put his into practice.

Italy is threatening to engage in a scrap with the Sultan of Turkey. Perhaps the Turk may think the dago about his size and meet him half way.

The question of bar-maids or no bar-maids is said to be causing more agitation in Great Britain than the Boer war.

CLOSING EXERCISES OF THE CENTRAL INDUSTRIAL INSTITUTE.

The Central Industrial school, under the able supervision of Misses McClanahan and Webster will close Friday, April 18th, 1902. The closing exercises will be held Friday evening, at eight o'clock. All parties are invited to attend.

The programme for the evening follows:

- PROGRAMME: SONG, "Medley of National Airs" The School. PRAYER, Rev. T. C. Croker. RECITATION, "Our Flag," Miles Gray. RECITATION, "Don't Fret," Bessie Henderson. RECITATION, "A Happy Little Cripple," Yates Arledge. SONG, "Drive the Nail Aright," The School. DIALOGUE, "Susie's Question," Myrtle Hampton and Boon Arledge. RECITATION, "Elder Lamb's Donation," Bertha Gray. INSTRUMENTAL SOLO, Iva Hampton. DIALOGUE, "Columbia the Gem of the Ocean," Five Students. Nankapoo from Japan, Lillie Weaver Hans Brinker from Holland, D. Hampton Ali Hanan from Arabia, J. Arledge Donna Isabella from Spain, E. McFarlane Rose Standish from England, L. Campbell Wild Bill from the Pampas of S. A., Charles Gaze Cuba, Minnie Arledge RECITATION, "Courtin'." Mable Carson. SONG, "The Gypsy Song," The School. RECITATION, "The Crooked Mouth Family," Lizzie Weaver. RECITATION, "A Reverie in Church," Maud Newman. SHADOW PICTURES. SONG, "Beautiful Moonlight," Myrtle Hampton. RECITATION, "The Dead Doll." SONG, "True to the Flag," The School. RECITATION, "The Blue and the Gray," Mildred Wellborn. RECITATION, "When — spies her Beau," John Arledge. FAN DRILL.

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