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On behalf of our numerous constituency, we respectfully ask Admiral Togo to get busy.

William J. Bryan is so well pleased with President Roosevelt that he no doubt regrets that he aspired to be a candidate against him when Judge Parker headed the funeral procession.

Durham will not be outdone by Charlotte. A doctor has been yanked up in the latter town for giving whiskey prescriptions when water would have saved the patient's life just as well.

Wonder how many people were taken in by that \$600,000 strawberry loss at Chadbourn? "Red Buck," of the Charlotte Observer, can eat \$600,000 worth of strawberries any day before they could spoil.

As the President has announced his intention to visit Raleigh and Charlotte both this fall, we can state now that whatever friendly feeling that may have existed between the two cities heretofore will continue in force.

At Gastonia a number of families are quitting the cotton mills because they object to night work. It is none of our business, but we doubt the wisdom of mills running at night, and do not believe that it will prove profitable in the end.

Some crank calculates that if a railroad existed from earth to one of the fixed stars, and the fare only one cent per hundred miles, it would cost \$2,750,000,000 for a ticket and would require 48,663,000 years to make the trip, if the train made 60 miles per hour without stops. We advise our friends to wait for the summer excursions.

Those alleged bank and post-office robbers and pistol toters at Wadesboro may get out of it. But it will cost them a lot of money. The lawyers can't decide whether they are guilty of robbery, larceny, bigamy, carrying concealed weapons, forcible trespass, blockading or playing craps, and it will cost a nice little sum in fees to settle the question.

"WHERE ARE MY BRAVES?"

If the report that a blockade distillery was operated for months within three and a half miles of Wilkesboro is true, Editor Deal and the county officials there should be impeached or something of that sort.

To make bad matters worse, it is said that the distillery was a steam one and that the engine whistle was blown morning, noon and night as if it were a saw-mill or cotton-gin in operation there. And yet the Watts law, the Ward law and the numerous other laws are being violated every day in the year in every county in the State. From all reports Wilkes County is nothing but a stewing, boiling mass of blockade distilleries, so they say. Now and then the revenue officers break up a distillery. But the county officers, who are charged with enforcing the State laws, are doing nothing.

It is true that the sheriff of Iredell County and the chief-of-police at Statesville made a "raid" or "parade" out into the country adjacent to Statesville some time ago. But they didn't set the woods afire. A little later they went on another "parade" and approached what is known as the Rocky Creek section of Iredell County, a locality that probably cares no more for internal revenue laws, Watts laws and Ward laws than a cow cares for a fashion magazine. But, unfortunately, the sheriff had an attack of the colic or some other dangerous ailment just before they got to Rocky Creek, and the blockaders winked the other eye. In the meantime the blockade harvest is ripe, but the laborers are few. The blockaders can go on with their steam distilleries and blow the whistles long and loud. They might even advertise their place of business in the newspapers regardless of the county officers, for the officers will have colic or something equally as good at the proper time.

CO-OPERATIVE BUILDING.

The Greensboro Telegram says a number of gentlemen of that town are seriously thinking on a plan to build homes and heat them on a co-operative basis, and it sounds reasonable. One of them is quoted as saying:

"We propose each one to build a home. Twenty of us will need but one architect, who of course will charge less for so big a contract than he would for twenty independent separate ones. In this way there will be a variety of buildings. The same economy will apply in giving a single contractor an order for twenty houses, he being in turn able to purchase his material cheaper in large quantities: The same principle will hold good in the plumber's contract, it being reasonable to suppose that in making a bid for a contract on twenty houses a plumber would figure closer on the chance of getting it than he would for a single job for twenty different or inexperienced individuals. We propose instead of having furnaces in every basement and twenty different systems of heating plant to have one central heating plant to furnish heat and hot water for every home like the big University settlements now have, thereby saving an immense expense and much trouble and annoyance. In connection with this central heating plant will be a laundry to do laundering for the community at actual cost. Another plan is to have a central

stable and carriage house, where those who desire to keep horses can do so without the tremendous expense of waste in feed and patience by having a trifling boy and a nuisance of a stable in each one's back lot. The lots will be 75 x 150 feet and there is a probability of having every home built out of the cement or concrete stone building blocks now being manufactured by Mr. Bain. Its not a visionary scheme at all but practical and in keeping with modern methods in the commercial and industrial world."

If we may be allowed a word, we will suggest that one large kitchen and one dining room will also do the trick, thus dispensing with at least eighteen cooks. And, to carry the plan to perfection, one man can stand guard at night while the other nineteen attend their lodges or church meetings, each one taking his turn for twenty nights. There is no end to the advantages of the plan.

NOTHING DOING.

So far as we can observe there is nothing doing in Japanese-Russian war circles, though, of course, it is probably the calm before the storm.

The Russian fleet continues to violate neutrality and puts into any port handy. In fact, it appears that the fleet feels "swunk up" now that it is nearing the Japanese fleet. At any rate Rojstvensky is an expert in violating neutrality and bids fair to wear his warships out in that favorite pastime.

It was reported yesterday that the Japanese fleet was taking a position near Formosa, but that is questionable. Perhaps something will happen next Sunday or some other Sunday, provided Rojy can leave off his violations of neutrality long enough to put to sea.

Mr. John Stonecypher has been elected Street Commissioner at Charlotte. He ought to be able to figure closely on paving and macadamizing.

Observe the Point.

They had just been married. She was very pretty and lovable, but very fresh to the household duties, and the husband was a very patient man. One night, however, she had a great surprise for him, so, putting her arms around his neck and kissing him, she said:

"Come and look, darling; I have been stitching up two big slits in your coat."

He then kissed her to hide the look that came over his face, called her a busy little woman and went out and groaned.

She had sewed up his coattail pockets.—London Tit-Bits.

Lost in the Capital.

Senator McLaurin, while walking through the long basement corridor, encountered a frenzied woman.

"I am lost. I am lost," she cried. "Please show me the way out of this horrid building."

The Senator very courteously pointed the way, after inquiring where she wished to go.

"It reminds me," said he to his companion, "of an incident down in the Mississippi woods. A negro lumberman became lost in the immense forest and could not find his way back to camp. A searching party finally located him wandering about.

"Are you lost?" asked one of the rescuers.

"Lost, boss; no, 'deed, sah," was his reply, "but dat camp am lost."—Washington Post.

CREAM OF THE PRESS.

Greensboro should see to it that they are compelled to drink it out of the bottle.—Durham Herald.

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Ex-President Cleveland's idea of the woman question is that somebody must stay at home while the men are fishing.—Winston Republican.

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What Dowie thinks of the inventor who is actually making it rain at Los Angeles probably would not look nice in print.—Philadelphia Inquirer.

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It might be asked if Dr. Washington Gladden's home congregation isn't beginning to weary a little of the Rockefeller text.—Cleveland Plain Dealer.

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Those unfeeling suggestions that Chicago change its motto from "I Will" to "I Darn't!" are among the things that hurt the worst.—Chicago Tribune.

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From the trouble they are having over the election of a city attorney in Raleigh it must be a bigger job than was generally supposed.—Durham Herald.

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It might be well for the banking fraternity to find some means to spot the other Bigelows that may happen to be undetected.—Cleveland Plain Dealer.

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Susan B. Anthony dismisses Grover Cleveland's remarks about women's clubs with the single word, "Fol-de-rol." Nothing remains for Grover but to go a-fishing.—Puck.

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Prof. E. Benjamin Andrews having decided that Rockefeller's money is not tainted, what is the use of continuing the discussion further?—Buffalo Times.

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Mr. Cleveland may be mistaken in his diagnosis of the federation of women's clubs. The new woman has changed a good deal since he retired from public life.—St. Louis Globe-Democrat.

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Those 10 uninjured bear skins which the President is bringing from the West will serve to teach office-holders that it is possible to remove the carcass without hurting the hide.—Baltimore Sun.

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Since Mr. Rockefeller has begun to hand out his wealth in small packages for the enlightenment of the benighted we may next hear that he has offered a hundred thousand to something or other in Kansas.—Judge.

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Statistics showing a great increase in the number of diamonds and automobiles imported during April, arouse a suspicion that the popularity of the simple-life movement has been somewhat exaggerated.—Indianapolis News.

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While we do not know much about the naval movements in the China Sea it is a safe guess that Rojstvensky and Nebogatoff are hunting each other much more earnestly than either of them is hunting Togo.—Pittsburg Dispatch.

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Vice-President Fairbanks hopes that the International Railroad Congress will indirectly promote the cause of arbitration. What is wanted, indeed, is an international block system to prevent international collisions.—Omaha World-Herald.

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He who has not been mentioned for president of the Equitable Assurance Society must conclude himself either unknown or else too well known to permit those doing the mentioning to believe that he will suit them.—Pittsburg Dispatch.