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If you see it in some newspapers, it may or may not be true.

Certain politicians in this section are hotly in favor of State's rights—the right to hold office.

President Roosevelt had a successful Southern trip. His speeches and his shooting all resulted in hits.

Every time a body of students converts itself into a mutinous mob, the cause of education gets a great set-back.

It is said that future wars will be fought in mid-air—in great balloons or airships. We always expect to be too young to volunteer.

The Durham Herald thinks that Greensboro is just as proud of her alleged population of 42,000 as if she really had it. Well, let her dream.

Those New York bankers had better move their banks to some of our Southern cities where at least a portion of the people are both sensible and honest.

Between bank robbers and "bank runners," those who get panicky whenever there is a little financial flurry, the New York banks have their own troubles.

The fashion of "making a show" has grown so popular that hundreds of citizens will go and stand in front of a bank during a panic and wring their hands when they have not got a cent in any bank.

The Mecklenburg Presbytery (Presbyterian) has adopted a resolution to the effect that hereafter no call for a pastor will be considered unless the salary is as much as \$900 per year. Cheap religion is a thing of the past.

The merchant who receipted an unpaid church bill of several years' standing and dropped it into the contribution plate as it passed around one Sunday morning, had some of the ingredients that go into the make-up of a financier.

A RICH HARVEST.

Reports are coming in from all of the fairs. As usual, the pickpockets found men with anywhere from \$10 to \$1,000 in their pockets, and the pickpockets made a quick transfer. But our sympathies are not aroused by the harrowing details. Any man who goes to a fair, after repeated warnings, and displays a roll of money when he buys his ticket, a cigar, glass of lemonade, or anything, is almost sure to get robbed, and he ought to. Of course, he may be robbed if he doesn't display a big roll. But the chances increase every time he does play the fool by displaying, for mere show, a big roll, even though it may consist of a few one dollar bills. The man who is foolish enough to display an amount of money in a crowd is sure to be an easy victim for pickpockets, and they know this better than any of us.

It is now stated that the railroad rate business is to be settled. The question is: How much did certain politicians make out of the rucus."

Some of the well-meaning, but misguided editorial financiers who are trying to publish a twice-a-week newspaper at \$1 per year are getting dangerously near the poor house.

A story is going the rounds that an editor was robbed of five diamonds. It has been suggested that it was really the five of diamonds that dropped out of the pack and the rumor became greatly exaggerated before it was published.

Judging from the remarks of visitors since the State Fair, they are of the opinion that pickpockets as well as hackmen should be licensed in Raleigh. We nearly always walk to and from the State Fair grounds, and as we do not carry much money we escape pickpockets and exorbitant charges.

HAVING GOOD EFFECT.

The report comes from Washington that the visit of Secretary Taft to the Orient is having good effect. He tells Japan and China in his speeches that the United States will keep the Philippines until its work is ended there. Of course that is the plain, diplomatic way of telling them that the Philippines are our property, bought and paid for with our money, even at a heavy cost.

The dispatches also say that China and Japan seem to be satisfied, and that they are giving our representative every courtesy. China seems especially glad that the islands are in the hands of a nation that is friendly to her, for she is not in a condition to fight a strong, greedy power, having a poorly organized army and practically no navy. If some strong power was in possession of the Philippines and trouble should arise between that power and either of those countries, it would be at a great advantage to possess the Philippines, and that is just why our government seized the first good opportunity to purchase them. It gives us a powerful foothold in war or in peace in the Far East. If we but wisely use that power all will be well. This paper does not claim

great foresight nor wisdom, but we have always contended that the ownership of the Philippines will be a good thing for us, for the Philippines, and for that portion of the world generally. It means vast things, even though it may at times be a source of trouble and danger. That is the case in every instance of ownership, and often the most valuable property brings the greatest responsibilities.

The Philippines will not be sold, not yet.

OPINIONS IN A NUTSHELL.

As usual, the innocent bystander is one of the worst parts of a bank run.—New York Mail.

It is only comparatively pleasant to be poor in days of financial upheavals.—New York Mail.

The balloons have all come to land, confidence is now measurably restored.—New York World.

Mr. Bryan walked through Wall Street yesterday morning. Is that what did it?—New York World.

The financial flurry in New York is not hitting much of anybody who can't stand it.—Philadelphia Press.

David B. Hill seems to have performed the difficult feat of emerging from oblivion.—Philadelphia Ledger.

The Louisiana canebreaks are a little safer now for people who are afraid of bears.—Washington Post.

The Westinghouse concerns might have used some of their own airbrakes to advantage.—Philadelphia Press.

The President may finish his message in peace. Cortelyou is looking after the country.—Philadelphia Inquirer.

A Florida man shot at a burglar and winged his mother-in-law. The luck some men have is phenomenal. Tennessean.

Hunters say the rabbit season opened too early, and doubtless this is essentially the view of the rabbits.—Philadelphia Ledger.

Of course, it may be only coincidence, but haven't you noticed the silence of Senator Beveridge since his marriage?—New York Mail.

The more we think of it the more we are convinced that the Chinese remedy of cutting their heads off is the only preventive.—Durham Herald.

Typical Philadelphia style, this providing a \$4,000,000 college for orphan girls, without saying a word about it in advance.—Philadelphia Inquirer.

Tom Lawson says he can save the country—but he wants two days in which to do it. P. T. Barnum never required that much time.—New York Mail.

Perhaps Mr. Nicholas Longworth has an idea that the way to make a successful diplomat is to begin at the top and train down.—Washington Herald.

Indianapolis school children yesterday planted an oak tree with elaborate ceremony and named it Theodore Roosevelt. Some of the grow-ups will probably have like a ceremony, using weeping willows.—New York Sun.

The statement is made that many native New Yorkers never have seen a hog, but this ignoring of a certain class of subway passengers is flat-tery.—Philadelphia Ledger.

At the weather Bureau these days they are enjoying a delightful new game, known as "Earthquake, earthquake, who's got the earthquake?"—Washington Herald.

The Government's calm assumption that trust-made goods are made by a trust is going to furnish a little more work for corporation lawyers.—Philadelphia Inquirer.

There is nothing whatever in business or financial conditions in this country to cause uneasiness to any man who is engaged in an honest business.—Washington Post.

The Czar has ordered that while in Russia Taft shall be treated as a native nobleman. It is hoped that bomb enthusiasts will not take the mandate literally.—Philadelphia Ledger.

Report says that Platt feels young again. With Rockefeller just turning fourteen and Platt in the kid class again, please inform us, some one, where does Dr. Osler get off?—Philadelphia Inquirer.

Pennsylvania court has sentenced a murderer to jail for 155 years. If the court had not been moved by counsel's plea for clemency it would probably have made the term an even 200.—New York Tribune.

The courts have locked out two primary election laws in Illinois, but the Legislature is not discouraged. It is now building a third one, and intends to make it judge proof.—Philadelphia Press.

Oklahoma's new Constitution appears to have been adopted, according to official figures, by 108,000 majority. This simply goes to show Mr. Taft how contrary people can be sometimes.—Washington Herald.

A Rough Rider has just been appointed acting postmaster at Dallas, Texas. The general impression that all the members of "my regiment" had been supplied with Federal jobs long ago is evidently wrong.—New York Sun.

Colonel Bryan has been in New York several days, and if he brought his microscope along he must have seen the Lewis Stuyvesant Chanler boom by this time. It is a little boom, but there is big money in it.—Philadelphia Press.

Baltimore's Old-Home Week seems to have been as great a success as Boston's was a failure. There is no rule in such matters. Everything depends, apparently, on the extent and intensity of the old-home feeling.—New York Tribune.

The Cincinnati brokers who have "made a million and quit" seem to have been devoid of ambition. Are there no opportunities in Cincinnati to establish "chains" of banks, or consolidate steamboat lines, or buy the control of trust companies?—New York World.

Bitten by a Spider.

Through blood poisoning caused by a spider bite, John Washington, of Bosqueville, Tex., would have lost his leg, which became a mass of running sores, had he not been persuaded to try Bucklen's Arnica Salve. He writes: "The first application relieved, and four boxes healed all the sores." Heals every sore. 25c. at druggists.