

A SMALL DEFICIT. During the last campaign the Republicans condemned the Democratic party for extravagance...

THE STAR defended the Democratic State administration and proved to the satisfaction of reasonable men that there had been no extravagance on the part of the Democrats...

UNPAID APPROPRIATIONS. The receipts being less than the disbursements, the following appropriations, in the main for building purposes, are unpaid:

Table with 2 columns: Item and Amount. Includes State Hospital, Morganton, N.C. Institution for Deaf, Dumb and Blind, State Guard, etc.

Total net deficit \$287,186.41. It will be seen by a reference to the above that instead of a deficit of half million dollars, the actual amount of the net deficit is only \$287,186.41...

The appointment of committees in the Senate was announced last Thursday and the Senators from our district have particularly strong committee assignments...

WHAT steps will be taken in reference to securing good roads for Cleveland county? The Good Roads Association should have a bill prepared specially for Cleveland county...

There is every reason to believe that Senator Arthur Poe Gorman, of Maryland, will be seriously in the running for the Democratic presidential nomination next year...

Polk county is achieving notoriety. She went Democratic in November and since then a good prospect has developed for finding oil in that hitherto Republican county...

WHEN we get a good road law for Cleveland county it will pay to work our convicts on the public roads and it will be done. The News & Observer says: "Mecklenburg county now has 118 miles of good macadamized roads..."

Her Last Remark. He had come as she had told him to, with all the letters she had ever written to him, and he had placed them on the table before her...

There was some other trifles, too—a few odd trinkets that he had given her from time to time since they had plighted their troth...

"Good evening and good-bye, Miss McGillicuddy," he said. He spoke in a shaky, moist voice.

"The end," she said. He put his hand on the door knob and turned it. She gave a little choking cough.

"Mr. Thornton—George," she said. "Well?" "Haven't you forgotten something?"

A Reflection on Canadian Cooks. Our Canadian friends seem to be very sensitive about their cooking, and recent American criticisms of their culinary skill...

The one hundredth day of Dora Meek's sleep passed quietly Wednesday, the patient knowing nothing of the event. The girl is recovering from a local indisposition, which last week it was feared would cause her death...

Wonders never cease. A machine has been invented that will cut, paste and hang wall paper. The field of inventions and discoveries seems to be unlimited.

Southern Superstitions. To kill a ghost, it must be shot with a bullet made of a silver quarter dollar. Ticking a baby will cause the child to stutter.

To dream of a live snake means enemies at large; of a dead snake enemies dead or powerless. To dream of unbroken eggs, signifies trouble to come...

To hear a screech owl is bad luck. To prevent hearing their cry turn the pockets inside out and set the shoes soles upward.

"Keep Your Mouth Shut." "Help me to catch him, mister," said the small boy, as he dashed by in panting pursuit of his juvenile enemy.

There is a good deal in keeping your mouth shut. There are more people in the world who never open a mouth without putting a foot in it than you have any idea of.

It's what people say and drink chiefly that causes them to appear before the police magistrate. If they had kept their mouths shut they would not have said it or drunk it.

For Boyato Think About. It is easier to keep out of jail than to break out, provided you begin in time.

It is easier to avoid beginning to tamper with tobacco and strong drink than it is to free yourself from the appetite if it once be acquired.

A Girl Who has Slept 100 Days. Philadelphia Record. The one hundredth day of Dora Meek's sleep passed quietly Wednesday...

WONDERFUL NERVE. Is displayed by many a man enduring pain of accidental Cuts, Wounds, Bruises, Burns, Sores, Sore feet or stiff joints. But there's no need for it. Bucklen's Arnica Salve will kill the pain and cure the trouble...

Hoar and Vest. A GREAT REPUBLICAN AND A GREAT DEMOCRATIC SENATORS SPEAK FOR THE PEOPLE. Washington, Jan. 6.—The day in the Senate was eventful because of a notable speech by Senator Hoar on his bill regulating trusts...

The Senator discussed the effect of the control of vast wealth by individuals, saying that in such a system there was much to be feared for the Republic.

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\$35,000 Fire at Newbern. Newbern, Jan. 12.—Fire broke out tonight in the center of the business section, in the photograph gallery of E. Garreke's, on the upper floor at the corner of Pollock and Middle streets.

Fewer Acres, More Dollars. The farmer who makes the most above cost is the one who is the most successful. The farmer who spends \$50 on two acres of tobacco in order to make \$80 is no better off than the one who spends \$40 on one acre and makes \$40.

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Which? Potash. A lean and potash-hungry soil, wasted seed, wasted labor and idle guns—A MORTGAGE. Or, plenty of Potash in the fertilizer, many bales and a busy gin—A BANK ACCOUNT.

Administrators' Real Estate Sale. By virtue of a decree of sale made by the Clerk of the Superior Court of Cleveland County, N. C. in the proceedings...

Saturday, January 31st, 1903. at 11 o'clock a. m. the following real estate situated in Cleveland County, North Carolina, and bounded as follows...

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IN THE GROOVES OF THE GOOD MERCHANDISING. AN INFORMAL TALK WITH HENRIETTA BUYERS. Day after day the Henrietta Mills Stores run straight and smooth and true in the "grooves of good merchandising."

We speak of these little things because they all have a bearing on the pleasure, comfort and advantage of trading at our stores. We have the largest and most wonderful stocks of goods in this part of North Carolina.

After the holiday trade is over, many stores go into a sort of state of liberation. No effort is made to counteract the dull season. Clerks sit and cower on the goods, while the proprietor and doze and read.

The Henrietta Stores Never Sleep. Enthusiastic buyers have made great havoc in our Clothing Department within the last month. They have bought so heavily that the department is full of "broken lines."

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Forcing the Market In Dry Goods. Our Dry Goods Department contains a host of things which we want to close out—we are going to force a market for them, even at the sacrifice of part of their original cost.

The Henrietta Mills Stores, Henrietta & Caroleen. 56 in \$1.00 Novelty for 50. 50 in Zebelline 1.25 for 1.00. 54 in Repellant for 40 cts. 42 in Melrose, 75 for 50 cts. 42 in Brillantine 15 cts. 36 in Camel's hair 75 cts. 36 in Venetians 1.00.