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B.--"Hello! Mr. Editor." R.--"Hello! Major. How are you feeling to day?" B.--"Only tolerbul. I've got that offis feelin' ergin, an' I don't believe I'll ever git over it. It iz worse than the yaller fever, small pox or grip. I tole Betsy the other day that I beleved wantin' offis wuz hereditary ermong dynakrats, especially, I don't know whether we inherited it from Tom Jefferson or Horace Greeley, or Henry Watterson. But we are awl sick abed with the offis fever an' liable ter die any minit if we don't get sum relief. Betsy says "well Zake, why don't you git an offis if you can't live contented like without it?" That made me az mad az blue bles fer her ter talk that way. It hain't bin long sinse she wuz threatenin' ter git a divorce if I didn't quit my everlastin' clamorin' fer offis. Now here she iz, betwixt campanes, when they hain't no chance ter git in forty miles of an offis, tellin' ov me ter go ahead an' git one ez soon ez I like. Such az that iz enuff ter make a feller as patient ez Job bile over an' say things he hadn't orter say. I'll hev ter git out another injunckshun ter prevent Betsy from insultin' me erbout this matter. I think I've got good grounds fer a damage suit, too. I wuz in town the other day an' asked Col. Graham Haywood erbout sum law points. He is in the hard ware business, but iz posted in law. He sed: "It iz plain that when a wife malishuely an' without aforethought makes fun ov or insults a defenseless husband az here inbefore provided an' does so repeat edly, the aforesaid husband should enter a demurrer ni si and proceed at once to promulgate a scifa an' reiterate a quasi judgement for the benefit ov the plaintiff; and if the sed defendant don't enter a plea ov nolo contendere within ten days, the proceedings shall be adjudged o. k. an' the proper sum monses served at once. If the said defendant should attempt to quash the indickment habecus corpus proceedins kin be started an' the pauper pauperous twicedledum be declared nit by the U. S. District court, or any other court holdin' an' extra ace up its sleeve, otherwise ter be declared null an' void." I don't understand awl ov it, but I'm ready ter bet a gude mule iz talkin' erbout, an' that wut he says will paralyze any wife who tries ter walk over her husband rough shod. If she tries it ergin I'll appeal ter the law. Gudebye.

A WESTERN WEDDING.

It happened long ago in a western mining town. There wasn't a preacher in the place and when an exceeding raw young man and woman desired to get married the services of the police judge were called. He had never had any experience in that branch of his authority, but with true western enterprize he agreed to tackle the job, and the culprits were brought before him. "Stand up," he said, as they seated themselves, and they stood up. "Come forward to the bar of justice," he continued with a pompous effort, and they came. "Guilty or not guilty?" he asked as they stood before him holding hands. "Guilty, your honor," responded the groom. "Is this your first offense?" "It is, your honor, so help me." "Well there's nothing to do but impose a life sentence on both of you and assess the groom for the cost." "How much, your honor?" asked the groom, going down into his pockets. "Ten dollars." The groom handed it over. "Case is dismissed," announced the judge, and the innocent young things marched out of the room as radiant as a June morning when the sunlight kisses the roses until they blush again. Friend of the family (to young widow who is inconsolable and talks of giving up the world and going to bury herself in a convent)--But don't you think, my dear, it is very foolish for a pretty woman like yourself to think of abandoning the world at the age of 30? Young widow (correcting)--Twenty nine!--Sketch.

MEETING OF EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE.

Shoe Factory Will Soon be Going-- Good Advice to the Brethren

DEAR BRETHREN:--Your Executive Committee met in session the past week and a plan was devised by which we hope the shoe factory will be put in operation at an early day. The plan will be given you later.

It is to be regretted that some of the resolutions passed by County Alliances asking President John Graham to call a special meeting of the State Alliance on or about May 3rd, never reached him, and consequently, the State Alliance was not called in special session. Bro. Graham received only nine of the 83 resolutions, this office only eight, but unofficially I have learned there were more than enough counties who passed such resolutions to have made it possible for Bro. Graham to have called the special meeting. It is now too late to remedy this and I hope that the plan put on foot by your committee may relieve the necessity for a special meeting. Those Sub and County Alliances who passed resolutions for the Executive Committee to use the Business Agency fund for starting the shoe factory, should remember that the State Alliance in August last passed resolutions and locked up the funds so the Executive Committee could not use them for any purpose and can never be used unless the State Alliance sees fit to "unlock the doors."

Some of the Subar responding very liberally to the plan suggested by me in THE PROGRESSIVE FARMER in April for raising funds "provided the shoe factory should be started by Sept. 15th, 1897." Blank notes will be sent to all Subs so that individuals can make notes if preferred, and that we may know how much can be secured in that way.

We cannot afford to relax our energies in Alliance work especially in getting your factories at work. Some railroad corporations are our sworn enemies and will leave no stone unturned to bring destruction upon us. One of their first acts in the drama is to get possession of our property here. Men, who have been high officials in our Order are playing at this game for all it's worth. Brethren, "eternal vigilance is the price of liberty." Let us get our forces together and remain closer united than we ever have been and resolve to throw off the coils of the anacoonda that may, if we are not very careful, watchful and united, bring destruction upon us when we least expect it.

I wish to state to Hertford County Alliance that constitutions and proceedings were mailed from this office to every State official, every delegate and to each Sub and County Alliance Secretary two copies in November last. It is possible some one may have been left out, but we have never yet failed to send a second lot when we are satisfied that none had been received. None of us claim to be infallible.

Brethren, your State officials were placed in office, by the action of the State Alliance, and it is the duty of that body to get clear of any officer who does not do his duty. If you have charges against any of them, it is your duty to make them direct, and forward to your Judiciary Committee and not to the public. Several times in the past eighteen months insinuations and indirect charges have been made against some of your State officers by Alliances and individuals and published in your Organ, THE PROGRESSIVE FARMER. This is wrong; it is unbrotherly; it is uncharitable to those members who have been placed in these positions, and the worst of it, these charges have never been corrected publicly, and by them you are yet causing distrust of your officers and bringing confusion upon your organization. This is one of the causes why your factory is standing idle to-day, and your members leaving your ranks. Make your charges inside of your Order and turn those officers out who are not doing their duty. Stop your insinuations and innuendos in the public prints. You cannot build up the Order in that way, but you do much towards bringing it to destruction. It is your duty to the Alliance to refuse any officer your votes who, you find, has failed to do his duty; but you should not on flimsy charges, made without foundation, rush to the public prints with resolutions, which only serve to make feasts for your enemies and bring damage to your organization.

As I have stated in a former letter, we have never yet suffered from those outside of our Order, but from those inside of the organization, who, unthoughtedly or for selfish purposes permit themselves to say and do things which bring reproach to the Alliance and confusion to its members. I have written you plainly--this is my duty--but regret that any member, seemingly, should so far forget the first principles of the Alliance and the obligation he has taken, as not to stop and ask himself the question: Am I hurting the Alliance? Brethren, our work is too grand, too

sacred, to be foolishly or carelessly thrown aside. There is too much at stake for the farmers and laborers of this country for us to stop. By thorough organization, confidence in each other, and united in all things essential, can we hope to withstand the encroachments of trusts and combines upon our rights and liberties.

Fraternally, W. S. BARNES, Sec'y-Treas. N. C. F. S. A.

THE OLD GUARD.

Subscriptions, Renewals and Kind Words Extracted From Letters.

John May, Franklin county, has our thanks for two renewals.

J. O. Perry, Parquotank county, sends two renewals. Thanks.

S. H. Nading, Yadkin county, sends two renewals. Thanks.

P. P. Mull, Burke county, renews and writes: "I can't do without it."

Ransom Howell, Wilson county, renews and writes: "THE PROGRESSIVE FARMER is good enough for me."

T. J. Savage, Moore county, sends one new subscriber and three renewals. Thanks.

P. J. Leonard, Sheriff of Davidson county, has our thanks for three renewals.

A. K. Johnson, Alamance county, renews and writes: "THE PROGRESSIVE FARMER is too good to do without."

S. P. Pool, Granville county, renews and writes: "I fully endorse the course of THE PROGRESSIVE FARMER."

J. S. Peal, Martin county, renews and writes: "I don't feel like doing without THE PROGRESSIVE FARMER yet."

J. N. Thompson, Alamance county, renews and writes that he wants the welcome visits of THE PROGRESSIVE FARMER to continue.

Thos. B. Flemming, Warren county, renews and writes: "We must keep up the fight against the money power." You are right Bro. Fleming.

D. A. Fulton, Cleveland county, sends a renewal and writes: "Will try to send more soon. Am always glad when the day to get THE PROGRESSIVE FARMER comes."

C. H. Reeves, Madison county, renews and writes: "I admired the uncompromising fight your paper made against Mr. Pritchard for the Senate, though he is from my county."

We are also indebted to the following for subscriptions, renewals, and encouraging words during the past few days: G. W. Lewis, Washington county; G. E. Kestler, Cabarrus; W. A. Glenn, Chatham; J. C. Crabtree, Durham; O. W. Sutton, Wayne; John J. Ormond, Gaston; E. C. Davis, G. W. Barnhardt, Cabarrus; J. A. Cook, Lincoln; Jasper Parnell, ---; Caleb Barker, Guilford; J. M. Long, Caswell; J. B. Walters, Perquimans; J. A. Walker, Rockingham; T. L. Tarleton, Washington; J. A. Andrew, ---; Thos. F. Adams, Alexander; J. J. Miller, Caldwell; J. A. Kerns, Mecklenburg; J. C. Sledge, Halifax; Geo. M. Lane, Perquimans; H. R. Thomas, Moore; Ira A. De Armon, Mecklenburg; G. W. Hightowers, Caswell; L. N. Perkins, Watauga.

TO THOSE INTERESTED.

Correspondence of the Progressive Farmer, PINEBLUFF, N. C., May 10, 1897.

Will you please make mention through your paper that I am in position to extend practical assistance to enterprising shoe makers, cabinet makers, and all classes of mechanics that have enterprise and ability and want to extend their business, so that they can create and conduct small manufacturing establishments in your section.

Let the people understand by corresponding with me at Pinebluff, they can get desired information. Yours truly, JNO T. PATRICK, Chief Industrial Ag't, S. A. L.

TO TAX COLLECTORS.

The State Treasurer has mailed the following circular letter to all sheriffs: To the Sheriffs and Tax Collectors:

GENTLEMEN:--It having occurred to me that you, by the close contact with the tax payers, having the machine to run and the friction to overcome, would be better qualified by experience and interest in the operations of the revenue and machinery acts than, perhaps, all other persons combined, to make suggestions along this line to the General Assembly, or those who frame the tax laws, I have had, for each sheriff and county tax collector, a copy of the revenue and machinery acts interleaved, and have mailed same, one to each.

I will be under lasting obligations to you if you will keep the book sent you at hand and kindly study it and make close observations of its operations, and take notes of success and friction in its executions, dotting down briefly and plainly any change you would make, any section, clause or word you would strike out, or any

new section you would insert, or any other suggestions you may see proper or may wish to make.

You will find a critical study of the revenue and machinery acts not only very interesting, but of great advantage to you and to your deputies; and when the General Assembly of 1899 meets you will please, having written your suggestions in the book sent you, return the book to be laid before the finance committee, when they take up the revenue and machinery acts for consideration. With these suggestions from the workers in the field, I am satisfied that these laws may be greatly improved in many very important particulars.

Trusting that I shall have your hearty co-operation in this, and assuring you I shall be pleased to assist you in every possible way in your work and shall expect to meet you at the sheriff's institute or assembly. I am sincerely yours, W. H. WORTH, State Treasurer.

OUTLAW AT LARGE.

Rube McCrimmon Evades and Defies Richmond County Officers.

Many indeed are the crimes on account of which a price has been put on the head of Rube McCrimmon, both in this State and South Carolina. A very angel of the lower regions, his foul mind has never been able to concoct a diabolical scheme of crime that his hands were not ready to execute. Wherever he goes the mention of his name is a terror. Always well armed to the teeth, he is ever ready to add another crime to the long list that follows his name.

For the last few weeks the neighborhood around Hasty and John's Station has been the bandit's haunt and, thinking that the officers did not know of his whereabouts, he felt little fear of capture. In thinking that the officers were not on his track, though, he was taken, for Sheriff W. D. McLaurin has been watching his every move. Last Wednesday a posse was organized and headed by Mr. McLaurin, they started out to capture the outlaw. The officers succeeded in getting within about one hundred yards of the brigand while he was at work on the edge of a swamp.

Always on the alert, though, he returned and saw them coming toward him. In a moment he had his rifle and was ready to open the battle, but seeing that they were too many for him, he sought safety in flight and turned to run. As he dashed into the swamp, Sheriff McLaurin and Mr. J. C. Ray both fired on him, a bullet from Mr. McLaurin's pistol striking him on the arm and a load of shot from Mr. Ray's gun taking effect in his shoulder. But this did not stop Rube and he was soon beyond their reach, saving his ammunition for a better chance.

Again Saturday morning the posse tried to capture him and succeeded in finding him in his house and in bed, but his wife was watching and, as soon as she gave the alarm, the outlaw, wounded as he was, grabbed his gun and made across the field, before the officers could get near enough for their shots to take effect.

Though it would seem that his wounds are serious, the outlaw swears that he will not give up and will never be taken alive. He is well armed with a Winchester rifle and a good belt of pistols but is saving his shots for close range. He has sent word to the officers that if they capture him they will have to kill him and he will never die alone.

There is no doubt that he intends to make good his word and it is to be hoped that the officers will be careful to allow the outlaw no chance to carry out his threat.--Laurinburg Exchange.

BITTERNESS OF A SOUTH CAROLINA EDITOR.

The Lord loves a cheerful giver. He'll take care of the editor. He has a charter from the State to set as a deormat for the community. He will get the paper out somehow, and stand up for the town, and whoop it up for you when you run for office, and lie about your pigeon toed daughter's tackey wedding, and blow about your big footed son when he gets a four dollar a week job, and weep over your shriveled soul when it is released from its gasping body, and smile at your wife's second marriage. Don't worry about the editor; he'll get along. The Lord only knoweth how--but somehow.--From the Hartwell Sun.

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The readers of this paper will be pleased to learn that there is at least one dreaded disease that science has been able to cure in all its stages, and that is Catarrh. Hall's Catarrh Cure is the only positive cure known to the medical fraternity. Catarrh being a constitutional disease, requires a constitutional treatment. Hall's Catarrh Cure is taken internally, acting directly upon the blood and mucous surfaces of the system, thereby destroying the foundation of the disease, and giving the patient strength by building up the constitution and assisting nature in doing its work. The proprietors have so much faith in its curative powers, that they offer One Hundred Dollars for any case that it fails to cure. Send for list of testimonials. Address, F. J. CHERY & Co., Toledo, Ohio.

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A 16-Year Old Girl has Nervous Prostration.

THE REVIVIFYING EFFECTS OF A PROPER NERVE FOOD DEMONSTRATED.

From the Era, Bradford, Pa.

Several months ago Miss Cora Watrous, the 16 year old daughter of Mr. I. C. Watrous, a locomotive fireman, of 61 Clairon Street, Bradford, Pa., was seized with a nervous disorder, which threatened to end her life. The first symptom of the ailment was a loss of appetite. For some little time Miss Watrous had no desire to eat and complained of a feeling of extreme lassitude. This was followed by severe pains in the head. For three weeks the young lady was nearly crazed with a terrible headache and nothing could be procured to give her relief.

Finally after trying numerous remedies, a physician was called and began treating the patient. He said the trouble was caused by impoverished blood, but after several weeks of his treatment the young lady's condition had not improved and the parents decided to procure the services of another physician. In the meantime, Miss Watrous' nervousness had increased, the pains in her head had grown more severe and the sufferer's parents had almost given up hope of her recovery.

It was at this time that Mr. Watrous heard of Dr. Williams' Pink Pills for Pale People. He found that the pills were highly recommended for nervous disorders and concluded to give them a trial. A box of the pills was purchased and before they had all been taken there was a marked improvement in the girl's condition. After a half dozen boxes had been used, the young lady's appetite had returned, the pain in her head had ceased and she was stronger than at any time previous to her illness.

Miss Watrous concluded that her cure was complete and left home for a visit to relatives in the grape country near Dunkirk, N. Y. She stopped taking the medicine and by over exertion brought the ailment back again. As soon as the returning symptoms were felt, Miss Watrous secured another box of pills and the illness was soon driven away. She is now better in her physical condition than she has been for years, and declares that she owes her life to Dr. Williams' Pink Pills.

Mr. and Mrs. Watrous were interviewed by a reporter at their home on Clairon Street. Both are loud in their praises of Pink Pills. "My daughter's life was saved by the medicine," said Mrs. Watrous. "Her condition was almost hopeless when she commenced taking them, but now she is as strong and healthy as any one could be. I cannot recommend the medicine too highly."

Dr. Williams' Pink Pills contain, in a condensed form, all the elements necessary to give new life and richness to the blood and restore shattered nerves. They are an unfailing specific for such diseases as locomotor ataxia, partial paralysis, St. Vitus' dance, sciatitis, neuralgia, rheumatism, nervous headache, the after effect of lagrippe, palpitation of the heart, pale and sallow complexion, all forms of weakness either in male or female. Pink Pills are sold by all dealers, or will be sent postpaid on receipt of price, 50 cents a box, or six boxes for \$2.50 (they are never sold in bulk or by the 100), by addressing Dr. Williams' Medicine Company, Schenectady, N. Y.

FACTS KILL FALLACIES.

We know you must get puzzled. A man who reads advertisements, and stops it, can't help wondering. Follow them up, ours and everybody's. We tell you about our ready-made garments equaling custom tailoring--surpassing the cheap tailored kind. We know they do. On any expert's judgment they will, or we wouldn't say so. But we want you to know it by investigating--compare.

It was almost a necessity once to have your clothes made to order. It isn't now, and more men are ready to own up to it this season than ever. We didn't sell as many suits all last spring and summer as we have up to the present time. There's a pointer for you men who haven't tried our clothes yet. There's no assortment like ours in the city. Two or three clothiers, nor all the tailors, can't muster such a variety. And we buy only reliable fabrics. That's what we want you to hunt up.

Boy's Clothes.

Everybody says they've got boys' clothes--if only to show you a sample. If you want to see a complete line for your selection, see our stock. Our spacious department can hardly hold them now. Cassimere, Cheviot, Hornsby, Crash Linen, White Duck for boys of all ages, and at prices that will please you.

Complete line of Mother's Friend Waists, 50c. to \$1.25; newest patterns; dark, light and medium colors; attached or detached collars.

Complete line of Boys' Shirts, laundered and unlaundered, white and colored shirts, 50c. to 75c.

The Feather weight Suits, Coats and Vests, &c., are ready for the early callers; Summer Neckwear, too. An entire new line of Japanese Silk Neck wear on display now.

S. & D. BERWANGER, RALEIGH, N. C.

ONE PRICE CLOTHIERS.

TO DEALERS IN PIANOS AND ORGANS.

RALEIGH, N. C., May 15, 1897.

GENTLEMEN:--Nearly all licenses issued to dealers in pianos and organs under the laws of 1893 and 1895 have expired, and but few have been renewed. Under the new law (of 1897), so far, but few licenses have been issued. This is to respectfully remind all dealers in pianos and organs, in this State, that section 26 of the Revenue Act of 1897 imposes a license tax of (\$10) ten dollars on each style of instrument sold or offered for sale in the State, and makes it a misdemeanor to sell or offer for sale any such instruments without license, and imposes a fine of \$100, a penalty of \$200 besides a term of imprisonment not to exceed thirty days, for violation of the law.

While this law is a part of the statute, it is my duty to collect this license tax, and to save time and trouble and the payment of the fine and penalty, I hereby notify all dealers that they must comply with this law. This license tax must be paid.

Inclosed I hand you a copy of section 26 of the Revenue Act, please read it carefully. It is plain. You need not misunderstand it. It was drawn by Hon. F. I. Osborne, ex Attorney General, who was before the Finance Committee representing the piano and organ dealers, and for this reason, if for no other, the dealers should not hesitate to pay the license. Please send in at once the name by which each separate style or class is designated, with ten dollars for each. Also give the name and address of dealer or agent to whose name the license is to be issued, and the license will be forwarded at once. If the law is not plain to you, do not hesitate to ask me any question. I am here to serve and desire to understand and be understood.

Respectfully, W. H. WORTH, State Treas.

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NOTICE TO JUSTICES OF THE PEACE.

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POMONA, N. C. Two miles west of Greensboro, N. C., on the Southern Railway. Well known for thirty years. Up with the times with the new as well as the old fruits that are suited to our trade, which extends from Maine to Texas. The new Japan fruits and all other good fruit and flowers I have, as shown in my new illustrated catalogue, free to all. Agents wanted. (1897) J. VAN LINDLEY, Prop'r.