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Retired Georgia Planter's Advice to Kidney Sufferers

Regarding the wonderful curative powers of your Swamp-Root, I cannot say too much. After suffering severely for three years or more with severe pains caused by weak kidneys, I was finally induced to try Swamp-Root through a testimonial I read in one of the newspapers. I was in such a condition that I was obliged to arise from my bed six or eight times every night. I purchased a fifty-cent bottle and before it was used I felt so much relief that I purchased a one-dollar bottle and by the time this was taken the old pains had left my back and I could sleep the whole night through. I am a retired planter, 70 years of age, and owing to Dr. Kilmer's Swamp-Root, am in the best of health and feel as a boy. I am always glad to recommend Swamp-Root to those who are in need of it.

Sincerely yours,
C. E. USSERY,
Bowersville, Ga.

Personally appeared before me, this 5th of September, 1909, C. E. Ussery, who subscribed the above statement and made oath that the same is true in substance and in fact.
T. H. McLANE,
Notary Public.

Letter to Dr. Kilmer & Co., Binghamton, N. Y.

Prove What Swamp-Root Will Do For You.

Send to Dr. Kilmer & Company, Binghamton, N. Y., for a sample bottle. It will convince any one. You will also receive a booklet of valuable information, telling all about the kidneys and bladder. When writing, be sure and mention The Commonwealth. Regular fifty-cent and one dollar size bottles for sale at all drug stores.

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Farmers should have their Well Water examined at least once a year, and all that part of their land that gives poor crops, analyzed to find what is missing, so it can be added to their land to make it good and productive.

Enclose my price of analysis, which is not high, and may save you lots of trouble.

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Cleanses and beautifies the hair. Promotes a luxuriant growth. Never Fails to Restore Gray Hair to its Youthful Color. Prevents hair falling. 50c. and $1.00 at Druggists.

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Office upstairs in Whitehead Building.
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Attorney-at-Law,
Scotland Neck, N. C.
Practices wherever his services are required.

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SCOTLAND NECK, N. C.
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Money to loan on approved security.

DR. R. L. SAVAGE
OF ROCKY MOUNT, N. C.
Will be in Scotland Neck, N. C., on third Wednesday of each month at the hotel to treat the diseases of the Eye, Ear, Nose, Throat, and fit glasses.

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DR. KING'S NEW DISCOVERY
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Malaria or Chills & Fever
Prescription No. 666 is prepared especially for MALARIA or CHILLS & FEVER. One or six doses will break any case, and taken then as a tonic the Fever will not return. It acts on the liver better than Calomel and does not gripe or sicken. 25c

Bonus Votes Offer, "Opportunity Period," Announced To-Day.

This is The Best Time in The Entire Race to Build Up a Reserve Voting Strength That Will Have Much to Do With Winning The Prizes You Are Working For.

THE LARGEST OF REMAINING OFFERS.

Father, Mother, Brother, Sister and Sweetheart Are All Enthusiastically Working For Their Favorite. Loyalty and Support of Friends is Contestant's Greatest Asset. "Onward With Hope, Forward Without Fear," Motto of The Commonwealth's "Jolly Crowd."

Opportunity Offer is Now On.

Six Hundred Thousand Bonus Votes given for every club of $24.00 worth of subscriptions turned in before October 28th at 9:00 P. M.

These clubs can be made of either old or new subscriptions or both.

Candidates are not limited to one club. A "Club Flush" is an excellent hand to hold this week.

This is an opportunity for new entries and for those near the bottom of the list to take the lead.

This is positively the best remaining offer of the contest.

The future ownership of that Ford Touring Car depends upon the effort put forth by each individual contestant and their friends during this period.

(By E. R. Langham.)

"ONWARD WITH HOPE, FORWARD WITHOUT FEAR."

The above is motto of President Woodrow Wilson, when he addressed a large mass meeting at Madison Square Garden. He was there on a campaigning tour for the presidency, just the same as you are now campaigning for one of the valuable prizes offered by The Commonwealth. He was determined and won.

He wound up his speech by saying: "My motto is 'Onward with hope—forward without fear'" and it strikes me that every candidate in The Commonwealth's Great Auto and Prize Contest should adopt the same motto.

You are face to face with the rising sun of opportunity. Will you grasp it? If you don't it may never present itself again. Just think of what it means to win one of these delightful prizes; what a foundation it will be for you to build your future upon. Now is the time for you to act, not when the contest is over.

SUBSCRIPTIONS MAIN ISSUE.

From this time on subscriptions to The Commonwealth will be the main issue of the great prize competition going on. Liberal vote rewards are given on each subscription and there is not a candidate in the great race that cannot be made a winner through this method.

Contestants in this race should bear in mind that they cannot win in a day. Be persistent, get all the promises you can. You will be able to realize on them all before the contest closes. Don't overlook anything that means votes. Inform your friends that you are in to win. No contestant is limited to any particular field of labor. Go anywhere and everywhere. If you are acquainted anywhere in Halifax county or vicinity inform your friends that you expect their support. They are just as much interested in your welfare as you are yourself. Many are just waiting for you to approach them. Every contestant will meet with some discouragements. "But the one worth while is the one that will smile when everything goes dead wrong."

To those who have made little or no effort this far, please bear this in mind. There isn't a candidate in the list who has any lead to speak of. There are hundreds of people who have not even been approached as yet. Find them, you will meet them everywhere and can secure their subscriptions simply for the asking.

Some few contestants are a little excited over the fact that there are so many entered in the contest. "Why I don't believe I have any chance to win, there are so many against me," remarked one of the contestants on Monday. This is the very reason why every contestant has such an excellent chance to win. The greater the number in the race the more thoroughly the field will be worked, and naturally it will take fewer votes to win any one of the prizes. Then again, there is much more honor in victory when the competition is keen.

Just keep plugging and you will come out all right. Believe nothing you hear and plunge right ahead. You have just as many friends as any one else, you are just as deserving and you are sure to be as successful.

CONTEST PRIZES VS CONTESTANTS.

Contests enters into all the affairs of life.

The man and woman who start with nothing and beat their way through obstacles natural and artificial to the competency find themselves in a contest at every turn of the way. Measuring one's power with that of others will bring out the best things in one. Many never know their powers until they meet others in the affairs of life, and are made to measure their capacity with that of some other individual who has his mind set on a certain goal.

Shakespeare put the whole philosophy of men and their accomplishment in a few words when he said: "In the reproof of chance lies the true proof of men." That man or woman who gets out in the affairs of life and wins meets reproof of chance and shows that merit and industry are capable of making their way.

In this great contest many have the chance to match their capacity against that of others—measure their popularity with that of others, test the real depth of friendship of others. In this effort many are finding what they can do under pressure and are learning their capacity as they could not get it in any other field of effort. This is a training course in which strength and continuity are tested.

Many candidates in every district are learning things about themselves they never knew before; learning, too, how to do things which count in this contest just as they will have to learn in all affairs of life, learning to harness their powers and make them active, learning to approach the people, learning the real effectiveness of insistent work and at the same time learning to measure the depth and bounds of friendship and the real value of acquaintance with people and conditions.

On the one hand the prize offered in thier great commercial effort, prizes whose values make it possible to earn a great salary for the time employed. On the other the contestant and their friends are matching their powers against those of others. The spirit of emulation runs high in a contest, conducted along lines that give everyone an equal chance. It is a fair contest on an open field, where no one has the slightest chance over that of others, aside from the chances made by those in the contest.

THE GOLDEN OPPORTUNITY.

There is and can be, no question about it, this is the very best time of the contest to get votes. At no other time during the race will subscriptions prove as valuable. This is positively the best offer that will be made on subscriptions.

Candidates and their friends are not confined to the district in which they enter, to do their work. They can secure subscriptions anywhere.

The Opportunity Offer opens up a very wide field for activity among the candidates and offers them such satisfactory rewards for their efforts that all feel that they are getting something worth while for work.

Their friends too, feel what a help they can be. Now is the time for those interested in you to rally around and put their shoulders to the wheel to send you on your way rejoicing.

A BUSY CANDIDATE

"Well, I'm so excited I can hardly breathe—but I can still walk and talk. I can't tell every one I meet just how crazy I am to turn in a great wad of subscriptions by Tuesday night.

"Of course, it would be some consolation if I missed the Grand prize and win one of the district tours, but I am not stopping to even think about them now. I'm after the biggest thing I can get.

"Say, Mister—not so fast! Just wait a minute while I tell you that by taking a subscription to The Commonwealth in my favor, you will be getting the best value for your money, and at the same time winning my eternal gratitude.

"Well now I must hurry to the next prospect, but thank you so much."

WHAT WONDER WHEN YOU THINK OF IT.

Can you wonder at the enthusiasm when you think of the rewards?

Don't expect every friend to assist you with a subscription.

You know you are "down on your luck" some days, so is the other fellow.

If you find your friend is "in the blues" that is not the time to talk subscription to him. Give him a jolly talk about anything or nothing—leave him well disposed toward you—then next time when things are looking rosy to him tell him what you want.

Show that you have confidence in the friend who nominated you by getting into the contest with a whiz.

Did you ever stop to think what it means to be the winner of an automobile. The eyes of this great population are centered on this, the greatest enterprise that has ever been attempted in this part of North Carolina. All are watching eagerly to see the ones that will master the great conflict. Since the beginning this has been a hard fought battle. Never was there a more even race, as nearly every candidate has friends to help them. In fact, this has been like a great army, with each candidate as a general. Who will show to this community that he or she is the greatest general, the next few weeks alone will tell.

Candidates, remember "Opportunity Period" is for one week only. It closes promptly at 9:00 p. m., Oct. 28th.

How many clubs are you going to secure? A "Club Flush" will be an excellent hand for you to hold on next Tuesday night.

This is positively the best remaining offer of the contest.

Now is the opportunity for you to jump into the limelight and show your friends your true mettle, but hurry, hurry, hurry.

DISTRICT NO. 1.

(All of the township of Scotland Neck—One $65 Diamond Ring. One $25 Gold Watch and two Dinner Sets are sure to be awarded to this district. The Ford touring car can be awarded to a contestant in either district..

Miss Ida Staten	12,750
Miss Etta Brasswell	10,250
Miss Ellia Williams	5,750
Mildred Wright	9,675
Dr. A. D. Morgan	5,725
E. L. Brown	5,550
Claude Jackson	2,175
J. E. Perry	10,850
Charles Steptoe	5,750

DISTRICT NO. 2.

(All territory outside of Scotland Neck) one $65 Diamond Ring, one $25 Gold Watch are sure to be awarded to this district. The Ford Touring car can be awarded to a contestant in either district.

SCOTLAND NECK, N. C., R. F. D.	
Miss Bearly Barnhill	3,075
Miss Lillie Butts	3,375
Herman DeBerry	1,350
Miss Annie Lawrence	1,000
Rupert Allsbrook	8,750
Miss Kate Joyner	1,000
Mrs. Enoch Simmons	4,350
Willie Dunn	5,725
ROANOKE RAPIDS, N. C.	
Mrs. W. S. Saunders	4,675
M. M. Faison	2,200
R. M. James	1,750
HOBGOOD, N. C.	
Ermon Edmondson	8,825
Mrs. F. S. Hitch	1,000
PALMYRA.	
Miss Mary Ausbon	4,225
OAK CITY, N. C.	
T. W. Davenport	11,250
SPEED, N. C.	
Lucious Davenport	1,050
Miss Jessie Parker	3,750
HAMILTON, N. C.	
Miss Helen Edmondson	3,250
Miss Martha Council	3,775
Miss Fannie Mathews	1,175
Henry Edmondson	1,000
William Sherrod	3,675
ESSEX, N. C.	
Ivey Crawley	3,500
L. E. Williams	1,000
J. L. Alston	2,250
VAUGHN, N. C.	
Mrs. W. E. Doxey	5,750
AURELIAN SPRINGS, N. C.	
J. E. Warren	10,750
LITTLETON, N. C., R. D.	
Walter Keeter	9,575
RINGWOOD, N. C.	
M. E. Cousins Jr.	3,250
C. A. Williams, Jr.	1,175
Miss Grace Browning	1,300
Mrs. J. E. Whitehurst	5,700
Mrs. L. G. Browning	1,000
BRINKLEYVILLE, N. C.	
Mrs. J. E. Pritchard	4,750
J. H. Harrison, Jr.	2,750
J. E. Harper	1,000
Miss Mary Wilcox	2,700
Miss Emma Lewis Vinson	3,250
Miss Kate Mathews	1,000
HEATHSVILLE, N. C.	
Miss Eunice Crews	10,500
ENFIELD, N. C., R. F. D.	
Miss Ethel Barnhill	1,050
Jesse Lawrence Holiday	1,375
ENFIELD, N. C.	
Miss Pearl Knight	6,700
S. B. Brown	5,550
HALIFAX, N. C.	
Miss Essie Howerton	5,375
Swain Norman	1,000
WHITAKERS, N. C.	
Miss Fannie Powell	2,200
Sarah Taylor	4,750
Grace Stallings	4,000

The following schedule of votes will be in force during the contest.

Term:	Price:	Votes:
Ten years,	$10.00	150,000
Nine years,	$ 9.00	124,000
Eight years,	$ 8.00	100,000
Seven years,	$ 7.00	80,000
Six years,	$ 6.00	64,000
Five years,	$ 5.00	50,000
Four years,	$ 4.00	40,000
Three years,	$ 3.00	29,000
Two years,	$ 2.00	14,000
One year,	$ 1.00	5,000

Much Power Vested in the Governor.

Raleigh, Oct. 16.—Although the veto power is not one of the prerogatives of the Governor of North Carolina, Locke Craig, chief executive, has had thrust upon him more responsibility since he became the head of the political State less than a year ago than many of the governors who exercise this important function. The Governor of North Carolina does not possess any means of checking legislation, and anything that the General Assembly may do becomes law until overruled by the courts. That body set in motion also obeys the law of physics.

Reverting to the proposition that the Governor of North Carolina is not without his power, it will be seen that this power has been given him to exercise in his discretion after the cat has been let out of the bag, or placed in the bag, depending on the point of view. When the Governor in his inaugural address rang the tocsin for lower freight rates he set the body in motion.

The lower freight rates came. The corporation commission secured reductions on Western interstate shipments aggregating $2,000,000 a year, it is declared, and the Legislature by passing the Justice intrastate bill further cut the earnings of the carriers approximately $2,000,000. The real magnitude of each proposition will not be known until facts are produced to substantiate claims.

But the Justice bill was regarded as so drastic that, following the acceptance of the offer of the carriers, the Senate would not take it unless it could be gone over thoroughly before being tried out. Hence the special commission to be named by the Governor to investigate the rates, to hear the evidence pro and con and to assume a part of the responsibility for putting a system of new rates into effect. The responsibility for freight rates from without and also within the State is now with the Governor. He will think a long time, he said, over the men eligible before he picks his team. Nothing but the best men in the State will do, he said.

The committee to investigate the conduct of insurance companies in North Carolina will hold its preliminary meetings here Tuesday, October 28, for the purpose of outlining its procedure. Oddly enough, both the investigators and the companies to be investigated urged a similar action, and if all parties are sincere the people should get to the bottom of the matter.

A Case 43 Years in Court.

Time is required to settle up some cases in court but 43 years is just a little long. The other day Clerk of Superior Court Gant was called on to wind up a case in doing which he collected 35 cents cost for the late Abram Clapp, who was clerk of the court from 1868 to 1872 inclusive. At that time the clerk fixed the attorney's fee in such cases and in this instant the late Levi M. Scott was awarded $4.60. The title of the case was Kirkman vs. Whitice. Kirkman was public administrator and he had brought suit against Whitice for the collection of an account. There are perhaps a number of cases on the docket quite as ancient as the one here mentioned.—From The Greensboro Record.

The Family Cough Medicine.

In every home there should be a bottle of Dr. King's New Discovery, ready for immediate use when any any member of the family contracts a cold or cough. Prompt use will stop the spread of sickness. S. A Stid, of Mason, Mich., writes: "My whole family depend upon Dr. King's New Discovery as the best cough and cold medicine in the world. Two 50c. bottles cured me of pneumonia." Thousands of other families have been equally benefited and depend entirely upon Dr. King's New Discovery to cure their coughs, colds, throat and lung troubles. Every dose helps. Price, 50c and $1.00. All druggists. H. E. Bucklen & Co., Philadelphia or St. Louis.

DRUGGISTS ENDORSE DODSON'S LIVER TONE

It is a Guaranteed Harmless Vegetable Remedy that Regulates the Liver Without Stopping Your Work or Play.

A dose of calomel may knock you completely out for a day—sometimes two or three days. Dodson's Liver Tone relieves attacks of of constipation, billiousness and lazy liver headaches, and you stay on your feet E. T. Whitehead Company sells Dodson's Liver Tone and gnarantees it to give perfect satisfaction. If you buy a bottle of Dodson's Liver Tone and do not find it the safest, most pleasant and successful liver remedy you ever took, this store will give you back the 50 cents you paid for it without a question.

This guarantee that a trustworthy druggist is glad to give on Dodson's Liver Tone is as safe and reliable as the medicine. and that is saying a lot.

OLD HICKORY CHIPS

Short and Pithy Sayings on Subjects Past and Present.

The House now marks time while he Senate kills time on the Currency Bill.

Cincinnati has compromised her fight for a new water supply by establishing another brewery.

Here is something new under the sun. A Cleveland Youth stole $3,000 to pay his way through a theological seminary.

Civil service can always depend on having friends in the minority.

The distinction between law makers and law breakers doesn't seem to be finely drawn in Mexico.

High—Brow discussion of children at play are easily reducible to a very short sentence; "Let 'em play."

Anyhow Yuan Shi Kai wan't know what real Chinese trouble is until he has to defend a new tariff as the finest ever made.

A tribe of new Guinea savages whose women folks wear the slit skirt has been discovered just in time to head off a fast developing "back to the wood" movement.

The news that Mrs. Anna Shaw and Mrs. Emmaline Pankhurso refuse to speak to each other encourages the hope that both those famous suffragetts may yet get peeved at the rest of the world.

The man who sold the family cow to see the world series ball game is not only a fan but a fanatic and a few others.

Benzoate of Soda has been pronounced an undersirable citizens in Indiana.

Philadelphia is beginning to regard "Home Run" Baker as its greatest possession next to the Liberty Bell.

Had the Balkan nations been educated in Baseball they might have avoided all the blood shed and yet have decided the question of supremacy to the satisfaction of all.

As keeper of the Congressional conscience, President Wilson evidently does not intend that any unfinished buisness shall mar the future rest of that august body.

Think of Col. Rosevelt's going into the depths of the Brazilian jungle where never a word of politics or baseball can reach him for months.

It is useless for Mr. Campion to deny the authenticity of the O'Leary cow story about the Chicago fire. That story if not true is at least too well imagined to be ignored.

There have been too many murders lately. Let us think of something cheerful as for instance that Christmas is less than three months away,

Shrewdly we suspect that in tracing his decent from Pocahontas Mayor Harrison of Chicago is making a play for John Smith Vote.

As a matter of fact Mrs. Pankhurst will be a welcome change from the indepenbent dances and the dirty drama.

Looking upon the national game one cannot but think what fine harvest hands those husky ball players would make.

The Thaw case has all other postponement features beaten to a frazzle.

The most potent argument against Mr. Thaw's sanity is the number of lawyers he hires.

The mystery of it is how William Sulzer managed to stay a poor man all those years before he ran for Governor.

If Vassar abolishes the use of butter at its tables, it must be that the famous college is bent on preparing the girls for matrimony to meet the high cost days to come.

They Make You Feel Good.

The pleasant purgative effect produced by Chamberlain's Tablets and the healthy condition of body and mind which they create make one feel joyful. For sale by all dealers

Consumption Takes 350 People Every Day

in the United States and the surprising truth is that most cases are preventable with timely, intelligent treatment.

These appalling facts should warn us that after sickness, colds, overwork or any other drains upon strength, Scott's Emulsion should be promptly and regularly used because tubercular germs thrive only in a weakened system.

The tested and proven value of Scott's Emulsion is recognized by the greatest specialists because its medical nourishment assimilates quickly to build healthy tissue; aids in the development of active, life-sustaining blood corpuscles; strengthens the lungs and builds physical force without reaction. Scott's Emulsion is used in tuberculosis camps because of its rare body-building, blood-making properties and because it contains no alcohol or habit-forming drug. Be sure to insist on Scott's.

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