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The way to conquer difficulties is to attempt them. No man ever scaled a mountain by spending his time looking at it and complaining of its height.

It is said that the hobble skirt is doomed. That is good news, if true, for it is one of those fashion freaks that has neither gracefulness, beauty or utility to commend it.

Write this down where you'll see it every day. The time to draw business is when you want business, and not when you have more business than you can tend to already.

The Canadian elections were another reminder that sentiment runs in waves, and that is one reason why there are so many ups and downs in the fortunes of political parties.

Let us work and stimulate every legitimate enterprise by giving it all the friendly encouragement we can, and unite our industry, intelligence and capital to the good of our town.

Promises hold men faster than performances, as most politicians can testify. Hope of benefits to come holds men like a cable, but when benefits are received gratitude is like a fine thread.

The fathers and mothers so busy with lodge, club and other social doings that they neglect to look after the moral welfare of their children or take an interest in their daily doings are unfit to raise children.

What Italy can see in Tripoli to covet is a conundrum to most people, but because she entered late into the grabbing game and saw the best of Africa taken by England and France she wants her share of the pickings that are left regardless of what it may cost her in money and men.

Governor Blease accuses Senator Tillman of helping to bring out Chief Justice Jones and then denying it. This will not help the Governor in his race, as many a Tillmanite who voted for Blease for Governor will resent this insult to their sick friend by voting for Jones next year.

If all the Tillmanites who voted for Governor Blease last year vote against him next year, Jones will go into the governor's office on a tidal wave. It would be well for the governor to remember that the old friends of the Senator will hardly support a man who accuses him of lying.

Chicago policemen seem to be afflicted with very imperfect sight for almost to a man they fail to see gambling and other evils that everyone else can see without difficulty. It very much looks as if dollars were so placed before the eye as to create partial or total blindness where morality is concerned.

Some nations, like some individuals, seem to hunt after trouble. That appears to be the design of Italy in the Tripoli matter. Italy has had enough trouble already on account of colonizing ambitions and the memory of her disastrous attempt upon Abyssinia a few years ago still rankles in the Italian mind.

It is reported that Governor Blease said at Spartanburg that he had no apologies to make for the pardons he had granted, and that he expected to grant a good many more pardons. The governor may not apologize for the pardons he may grant, but we predict that he will do a good deal of explaining when he gets on the stump next summer.

It is not necessary to wait for the organization of boards of trade, civic improvement societies or other organizations in order to boost one's town. Anyone can do it and every one ought to do it. Let every man be an active, positive citizen ever speaking a good word for his home town and ever watchful for opportunities of promoting its welfare.

It ought to be made a criminal offense for any able bodied man to be a voluntary idler. It is bad enough to have idle rich men to squander their wealth and indulge in all kinds of wrong doing, but it is even worse perhaps when a man in exceedingly moderate or poor circumstances idles his time away and lets his family suffer for comforts or even necessities of life.

When Pliny said, "Shoemaker, stick to your last," he did not foresee the wonderful versatility of the modern man, especially here in America, who has a penchant for changing from one thing to another and, as a rule, coming out on top. And yet the old sage was, in the main, right. Most people have a natural gift and liking for some particular vocation and in the love, patience, enthusiasm and interest which that fact shows lies success.

Taft and the Middle West.

The Chicago Tribune has adopted a novel method of testing public sentiment, using President Taft's tour of the West as the basis of the experiment. The Tribune has put its best staff correspondent on the trail of the President. Instead of going along with the President's party and gaining his impressions of public sentiment from the cheering and shouting, the seething crowds, the brass bands and the banners, this correspondent travels a few days behind. He drops into the towns that the President has visited and talks to all sorts and conditions of persons about the President and his speeches.

Thus this staff correspondent, instead of feeling the public pulse while the fever is at its height, makes his diagnosis after the patient's condition has returned to normal. He gets the same, considered afterthought of the people instead of the somewhat hysterical effervescence that the presence of the Nation's Chief Executive usually brings to the surface in any community. The result of this correspondent's observations has brought to light two conditions, the existence of which has long been suspected by wise political observers.

One of these conditions is a notable lukewarmness toward the President in the Middle West. The people have no particular animosity toward him, but they suspect that he is not the man for the job. This sentiment has been deepened rather than lessened by the speeches of the President. The Middle West believes that Mr. Taft should not be renominated and that if he is renominated he will not be re-elected. The second noteworthy condition found by the Tribune's correspondent is that the Middle West believes in Governor Woodrow Wilson and hopes for his nomination by the Democratic party.

"According to the progressives," writes this correspondent from Hutchinson, Kan., "the Republicans are in grave danger of losing Kansas. They say Woodrow Wilson easily could carry the State against Taft." Again, this correspondent writes, "The Democrats entertain growing hopes of carrying Kansas. Wilson is generally favored as the candidate." Similar expressions run all through this trained observer's dispatches describing the effect of Mr. Taft's visit on the public mind after the people have had time to reflect on what the President has said. It should be remembered that the Tribune is one of the most independent newspapers politically in the world and its greatest pride is in giving political news that is "absolutely unbiased."

Should Be Probed Deeply.

A rigid investigation into the cause of the terrible accident which caused the destruction of the two little Pennsylvania towns and the consequent drowning of about a hundred people in their homes should be made. Some one is responsible for the terrible disaster and the responsibility should be fixed on the guilty party. Although the loss of life is, fortunately, not nearly as great as first reported it is appalling enough. Like the even more terrible Johnstown flood it goes to show how the elements unchained cause destruction and death.

Whether or not the disaster could have been avoided is for an expert investigation to determine. But too often loss of life and limb, and vast destruction of property are the result of faulty construction and material and neglect of duty. Such criminal negligence has been responsible for many a catastrophe as the sad tale of the Iriquois theatre, General Cloum steamer, Collinwood school and many another disaster proves. The matter should be thoroughly looked into, and if it is shown that the owners of the dam knew of its faulty constructions they should be held to a very strict account.

While the property loss is large it is nothing compared with the loss of life. No amount of sympathy however liberally extended can call back a single life taken by the mad, rushing water, nor can it repair the break in the family circle, nor turn sorrow into joy. Yet that sympathy so readily expressed and which speaks so eloquently of that mystic chord of sentiment that binds humanity together, is not only beautiful in itself but serves to relieve the aching heart and minister to the wants and needs of the sufferers, and that fact forms the one bright light in every dark cloud of disaster and tragedy.

Bryan Corners President Taft.

Some weeks ago President Taft challenged Mr. Bryan to name a trust or a trust magnate that could not be reached under the recent decisions of the United States Supreme Court in the Standard Oil and Tobacco Company cases. Mr. Bryan answered the challenge and then sends one to President Taft, which is said to have made that gentleman very mad and left him to criticize Mr. Bryan in a mild way. Here is the challenge Bryan sent to President Taft:

Mr. Bryan challenges him to make the public the written and verbal recommendations upon which he appointed Justice White to the position of Chief Justice over Justice Harlan, and the recommendations, written and verbal, on which he appointed the Justices whom he has placed on the Supreme Bench. Did he know how they stood on the trust question, or was it purely accidental that all of his appointees took the trust side of the question?

Of course President Taft will dodge the challenge and become very indignant because it was sent him. He dare not answer it, and that is why he got indignant about it. He knows he made the appointments the challenge refers to and the recommendation of men who manage the "big business" of the country, and he does not care for the people to know the fact. But Mr. Taft ought to keep his temper if Mr. Bryan did corner him. He ought to remember that he

commenced the challenging business, and if he is beaten at his own game he has no one to blame but himself.

CLASSIFIED COLUMN

One-half Cent a Word Found Notices Free.

For Sale—A second hand piano in good order at a low figure. Apply to John T. Wise. 8-29-tf

Buy your trunks, traveling bags, ladies hats, blankets, bed spreads, umbrellas, flour and rice at Dominick's, Neeses, and save money.

For sale cheap—One Hercules phaeton, single seat, used only a few times. Apply to Geo. H. Cornelison. 10-10-12*

Boys Wanted—to work for prizes and on commission selling The Saturday Evening Post. Apply personally at Sims Book Store.

For sale—151 acres fine farming land, within one mile of Cope, S. C., cotton on it now that will make bale to acre. Price \$40.00 per acre. Vernon Brabham, Cope, S. C.

Free—Man of mystery, tells past, present, future. Three 2c stamps and birth date, gets a wonderful reading. Prof. Raymond, Peoria, Ill. 10-3-2*

For Sale—Five room house and lot in the town of Norway, S. C. For particulars call on Dr. C. H. Able, Norway, S. C., or H. H. Holder, Bethune, S. C. 10-12-16

For Sale—One 30 H. P. Boiler; one 25 H. P. Engine Continental, two 70 saw gins, elevator, press, shafting, belts etc. Can be seen at W. L. Mack's farm, Cordova, S. C., or W. F. Smoak, Cordova, S. C.

Money to loan on farm land. Terms of loan one to five years, interest 7 per cent payable annually, amount \$200.00 up, beg to impress upon you that we have any amount of capital. W. B. Martin, Attorney at Law, Orangeburg, S. C. 9-28-tf

T. G. Knotts, at Neeses, S. C., will sell for the next ten days. Shoes, Dry Goods, and Groceries at cost. All goods marked down at cost. Be sure and come while the sale lasts. Sale commences Saturday, Oct. 7, 1911. 10-5-6*

For Sale—One 15-horse power gasoline engine in good condition, has been in use only a short time. Will sell cheap anyone can come and inspect same at my store on Russell street. Orangeburg, S. C. J. W. Smoak.

Rhode Island Reds for sale—Finest strain, pure thoroughbred, strong, healthy, vigorous. Free from disease. Buy now. Win premiums at State and County fairs. Mrs. J. Wm. Stokes, Orangeburg, S. C. Phone 313. 9-5-tf.

A Fine Horse for Sale—His health, sight, age and bottom are all right. Is good looking in action and in repose, good natured, and a splendid driver. Comes to the yard in open lot. Reason for selling, don't need a horse. D. D. Dantzer, Orangeburg, S. C. 10-12-2*

Notice—it will be to the advantage of all who want a grain drill and peahuller to see me before placing their order, as I'm still agent for the Farguhur Pennsylvania Grain Drill. It is best on market, and the peahuller a good one. Still offer one hundred bushels of pure apple seed oats for sale. G. G. Shuler, Vances, R. F. D. No. 1, Vance, S. C. 9-26-81*

For Sale—Georgia farm, 478 acres, 9 miles of Lumkin, Stewart Co. All clay, grows cotton, corn, peaches, etc. Five dwellings, several new barns, five cows, thirteen hogs, horse, mule, farm implements, etc., to go with the land. Healthful, beautiful, well-settled country. Good body of original forest. To be sold entire. Twenty dollars per acre cash. Apply to W. H. Ruff, Orangeburg, S. C. 9-19-10*

Municipal Notice.

Election of City Officials, Council Chamber. Office of City Clerk and Treasurer. City of Orangeburg, S. C., September 23, 1911.

Notice is hereby given that at the regular meeting of the City Council, to be held at the City Hall, in the City of Orangeburg, on Friday, October 13th, 1911, at 8:30 o'clock P. M., the City Council will enter into elections for the following officials for the City of Orangeburg, for the terms fixed by Ordinances, and at the salaries herein named, all terms beginning November 1, 1911.

- A city attorney at a salary of \$520,000 per annum. A city clerk and treasurer at a salary of 100.00 per month. An assistant to the clerk and treasurer at a salary of \$80.00 per month. A Chief of Police at a salary of \$75.00 per month. Seven (7) policemen at a salary of \$60.00 per month each. A street overseer at a salary of \$60.00 per month. The term of office of the city attorney, clerk and treasurer and assistant is two years. The term of office of the chief of police, policemen and ten street overseer is one year. All applications for the above positions must be filed with the undersigned clerk and treasurer and must be in his hands by 12 o'clock noon, on the twelfth (12th) day of October, 1911, or they will not be considered. By order of the City Council. L. H. Wannamaker, City Clerk and Treasurer.

AUCTION SALE

Horses and Mules

We will sell at auction to the highest bidder for cash at Orangeburg Court House, South Carolina, on the 6th day of November, 1911, which will be the first Monday.

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all well bred horses and extra nice mules. In this sale will have some mares with foal, some horse and mule colts.

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"In a community of foxes the most cunning fox would survive; in a pack of wolves the wildest and strongest wolf; while in a community of ants those that had the least power in intelligent co-operation would be the first to become extinct. And it is equally obvious that the interpretation of the world selection must vary in every grade of life, with every rise in intelligence—intelligence being, in normal circumstances, the prime factor which determines selection. Our garden roses would soon degenerate were not the selective intelligence of the gardener brought into play. Hence, intelligence whether self-determining or brought into play from without, is obviously one of the conditions which determine fitness. But there are even higher determining conditions than intelligence, for intelligence alone may manifest itself in mere cunning. The qualities of prudence, temperance, fidelity, sympathy, co-operation, self-sacrifice for a common good—all these are amongst the determining conditions of fitness, for a people that has these qualities will always be able to hold its own against an imprudent, intemperate, unfaithful, unsympathetic and selfish people."—Ramsden Balmforth.

TAX NOTICE.

Office of County Treasurer, Orangeburg County, S. C., October 2nd, 1911. The Regular Tax Duplicate will be open for collection of all taxes due: Office of County Treasurer, Orangeburg County, on the 15th day of October to the 31st day of December, 1911. The following levy: State taxes... .5% mills. Ordinary county... .5 mills. County road... .1 mills. Constitutional school... .3 mills. Total... .14% mills.

Also the following local Special Taxes:

- Special Tax. B. D. District No. 3... .3 District No. 4... .4 District No. 6... .3 District No. 8... .7 District No. 11... .2 District No. 12... .3 District No. 13... .2 District No. 18... .4 District No. 20... .4 District No. 21... .2 District No. 22... .2 District No. 23... .2 District No. 24... .2 District No. 25... .5 District No. 27... .4 District No. 28... .4 District No. 33... .3 District No. 34... .6 District No. 36... .6 District No. 37... .4 District No. 38... .2 District No. 40... .4 District No. 41... .7 District No. 42... .2 District No. 43... .3 District No. 44... .3 District No. 46... .3 District No. 47... .3 District No. 48... .4 District No. 49... .2 District No. 55... .3 District No. 60... .3 District No. 64... .3 District No. 65... .5 District No. 68... .7 District No. 70... .8 District No. 71... .4 District No. 72... .4 District No. 74... .4 District No. 75... .2 District No. 76... .3 District No. 78... .3 District No. 82... .3 District No. 83... .3 District No. 84... .3 District No. 86... .2 Commutation Road Tax will be received at same time and place. The time for payment of Road Taxes will expire March 1st, 1912. A. D. FAIR, County Treas., O. C.

We've prepared a treat At our store next week For those who like Good things to eat. You will also have an opportunity to get any one of the following beautiful prizes FREE! Prize No. 1 A South Bend Malleable Range—the best range made. Prize No. 2 A complete set of High Grade Cooking Ware. Prize No. 3 Another beautiful prize for the adult who, after carefully examining the South Bend Malleable Range, is able to give the five best reasons why it is the best made. JOHN McNAMARA, Orangeburg, South Carolina.

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