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LOVE

The night hath a thousand eyes,
The day but one;
Yet the light of the whole world dies
At the set of sun.

The mind has a thousand eyes,
The heart but one;
Yet the light of a whole life dies,
When love is done.

LOVE

Love rules the world. It is the
hope and joy of womanhood; the
strength and inspiration of man-
hood. It is the stimulus of youth,
the solace of age. It is the founda-
tion of families, the bulwark of
society. Without it the world
were a waste, mankind an encum-
brance. With it the earth smiles
and humanity's great heart swells
with gladness. Love is omnipres-
ent. It is supreme alike in kingly
palace and peasant cottage. It
sways the destinies of nations and
shapes the policies of government.
It cannot be circumscribed
limited, or abolished. It is stron-
ger than armies in battle array,
than beetling ship of war or fro-
wning fortress. It is above regal
rule or legislative enactments.
Parental counsel it respects, par-
ental prohibition it defies. It is
in truth the one power on earth
indestructible, irremovable, uncon-
querable.

PROSPERITY

The virtue of prosperity is tem-
perance, and the virtue of adver-
sity is fortitude. Prosperity is
not without many fears and dis-
asters, and adversity is not with-
out comfort and hope.

We see in needwork it is more
pleasing to have a lively work up-
on a sad and solemn ground, than
to have a dark and melancholy
work upon a lightsome ground.
Virtue is like precious odors, most
fragrant when crushed; for pros-
perity doth best discover vice but
adversity doth best discover vir-
tue.

Bacon.

PAVE MAIN STREET

There never was a time when
the terrible condition of our
streets has drawn forth more
strong comment than the past
twenty four hours. Many are
abusing the contractors who tore
up the streets, and want to make
them fix them up so that people
and especially ladies, can cross
the streets, at any corner, without
being mirrored up. Others feel
that the town is not very en-
ergetic in coming to the relief
of the citizens, seeing that at some
corners the road is almost impass-
able, and there is no doubt but
what the merchants will suffer if
this condition continues.

The real solution is that now
that the streets have been torn
up there is no little mending that
will do much good, and the talk
of a sand clay road on Main St.,
means just so much money thrown
away, for it must be realized that
whilst a sand clay road is very
well for a country road, where
the crown can be made to carry
off the water, it has not proved
very beneficial where heavy loads
are continually traversing the
thoroughfare.

The only thing for Main street,
considering its width, is concrete,
or similar material, and let us get
together quickly on this propo-
sition and discuss it, so that we
may determine upon doing and
be in accordance with the wishes
of all the citizens.

**SEND IN YOUR SANTA CLAUS
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HEARING ON ADAMSON LAW

Washington, Nov. 29.—At the
hearing yesterday before the joint
committee of Congress to inves-
tigate transportation in interstate
commerce the cross-examination
of Alfred P. Thom, appearing for
great railroads of the United
States, it developed that Senator
Newlands and Representative
Adamson hold opposing views on
the proposition to compel Feder-
al incorporation of the railroads.

Mr. Newlands, chairman of the
Senate Committee on Interstate
Commerce, and the joint commit-
tee before which the hearing is
being held, agrees with Mr. Thom
that the railroads should be in-
corporated under the Federal gov-
ernment. To unify and simplify
the railroad administration of the
country, according to matter he
put in the record today, he would
"require that all railroads engag-
ing in interstate commerce shall
incorporate under a national law
in accordance with certain con-
ditions not only permitting but
favoring the consolidation of rail-
roads."

Mr. Thom declared that had
House Committee on Interstate
and Foreign Commerce, and vice-
chairman of the Newlands com-
mittee, opposes Federal incorpora-
tion.

"The proposition of the roads"
said Representative Adamson, "is
that the power ought to be cen-
tralized, and they should not be
allowed to go into 48 states to do
their business. They would make
it so that J. P. Morgan could take
the mortgages in Alabama and
Illinois and would have to study
usury or interest, or dishonesty
in financial transactions subject
to but one jurisdiction.

"This government of ours is
dual. There were states that made
the constitution. So far as the
financing of the railroads is con-
cerned. I do not know of any-
body who ever asked these capi-
talists to buy up all the little
roads that the people in the dif-
ferent states built and consoli-
date them into one, two, three or
a dozen systems."

Mr. Thom was asked to state
how the big systems control the
the various roads under their man-
agements. He answered that it
was done by actual physical own-
ership, the acquisition of stock,
or by lease. Most of the pur-
chases were made under original
charters, which have provisions
for making transfers. The ideal
way, he added, is to own all the
property. The Pennsylvania
road, he explained, has more than
100 corporations. He could not
say how many his road, the Sou-
thern Railway, has.

Senator Newlands asked Mr.
Thom why the larger roads ac-
quired the smaller ones, and con-
solidated them.

"It was done in answer to the
demands of commerce" said the
witness. "The roads were thrown
together to accommodate traffic. It
was a commercial evolution; an
economic necessity."

Mr. Thom declared that had
Federal incorporation been re-
quired the consolidation would
have been easier to accomplish,
and a better system would have
resulted.

"The various systems are held
together now by legal contrivan-
ces," said he.

The railroad managements with
rare exceptions, he asserted, are
a unit on the question of Federal
incorporation. Senator Newlands
asked the witness if he had not op-
posed ten years ago, what he re-
commends today, and if so, why he
changed front.

"An actual necessity caused
the roads to change," said Mr.
Thom. "Year by year under the
present system the managements
of the railroads find that it is
harder and harder for them to
move, when they have no con-
trol over either the income or the
expenses of their enterprises.
Those primarily responsible for
the management of the roads have
virtually come to the conclusion
that their task is impossible un-
less the United States takes charge
and regulates them. The stand-
ard of efficiency should be fixed by
the Federal government. Once
we have governmental regulation
it must be a single regulation."

**A Home of Thanksgiving is
a Joyous Place**

"Let there be thanks: Let there be joy"
So says the Good Book, and it is as true
today as when written, but to have that
joy there must be contentment, and con-
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Having this day qualified as Admin-
istratrix of John H. Ausbon, deceased,
late of Scotland Neck, North Carolina,
I hereby notify all persons having
claims against the decedent to present
the same to me duly verified on or be-
fore the 25th day of October, 1917,
or this notice will be pleaded in bar of
their recovery.

All persons indebted to said estate
will please make prompt payment to me.

This 25th day of October, 1916.
Mrs. Cottie Everett,
Administratrix of John H. Ausbon.
S. A. Dunn, Attorney.
Nov. 3-7-10-14-17-21-24-28
Dec. 1-5-8-12

STATEMENT OF THE CONDITION OF THE

BANK OF ENFIELD

ENFIELD, NORTH CAROLINA

At the close of business November 17th., 1916

RESOURCES		LIABILITIES	
Loans and discounts	\$352,478.89	Capital Stock	\$ 10,000.00
Stocks and Bonds	19,925.00	Surplus fund	50,000.00
Banking House	5,000.00	Undivided Profits & Re'es	17,160.26
Furniture and Fixtures	1,500.00	Accrued I't due depositors	2,000.00
All other real estate	5,395.58	Accrued taxes due	1,000.00
Cash and Cash Items	13,860.07	Cashier's Checks	1,650.86
Due from Banks	127,637.77	DEPOSITS	443,986.19
TOTAL	\$525,797.31	TOTAL	\$525,797.31

I, Ivey Watson, President, of the Bank of Enfield, do solemnly
swear that the above statement is true to the best of my knowledge
and belief.

Correct—Attest:
GEO. R. CURTIS,
C. E. MCGWIGAN,
R. P. PARKER,
Directors.

IVEY WATSON PRESIDENT.
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Sworn to and subscribed before me
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C. H. Matthews, Notary Public.

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and less food is required to meet the
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you will, however, you will occasion-
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