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For the two years ended June 20 last nium, it is gratifying to note that it party, does show improvement.

The great humorist, Mark Twain, went before the bureau of licenses in New York Thursday and spent an hour or so convincing the officials that an extortionate cabman should have his license taken from him. Thescabman when a question of principle is involved. And he won his case.

Sir Arthur Sullivan, the musical composer, is dead in London. He was unquestionably the most popular com- registration. poser of his generation. His Pinafore, Pirates of Penzance, Patience, The Gondollers, and others, have the real spirit of music in them, and have been the afternoon of October 12. Numerous sung and enjoyed in every civilized small creditors took judgments before land, while his "Lost Chord" has vibrated 'round the world and made it tober 13 Judge Norwood, who, it is adbetter. While Sir Arthur may not have ranked as high as some others, he touched the masses as few musicians

The situation of affairs in China is declared to be constantly growing pointment of receivers by Judge Norworse. Minister Conger is now said to favor the extreme demands of some of ers of the bank. The case was heard the European powers. This will mean yesterday on an agreed state of facts, that China will be asked to pay sums wnich a will be impossible for her to meet, and territory will be taken in satmeet, and territory will be taken in sat- & Parker representing the creditors is faction of claims. This means the claiming that the judgments were prior partition of the empire, and your Uncle Samuel will be on hand to get his slice. Great is expansion, and its prophet, priest and king is William had liens on the real estate. The

It is gratifying that one senatorial primary has proven sufficient for North Carolina. A primary of any sort without legal authorization and safeguards is bound to be an unmixed evil. Should the legal primary ever be adopted, is hardly probable, never be made to apply to United States senators. Those officials were never intended by the fathers to represent the people, as such, but | der the paper signed by Colonel Ray. the states. The members of the lower states, and to name them by popular scrambles should never be attempted.

Speaking to thousands of Frenchmen at Marseilles on Thursday, President Kruger, the exiled head of the Boer republic said, "I assure you that if the Transvaal and the Orange Free State must lose their Independence, it will be because all the Boer people have been destroyed with their women and children." "The Boers," he added, will never sacrifice their freedom. They will rather be exterminated to the last man." If the citizens of a republic are not thrilled by such words as these they must surely have forgotten the pit from which they have been digged.

### Still At It.

wise staesmen and loyal Democrats who have been voting the Republican ticket for the past four years, are still eagerly suggesting the necessity for reorganizing the Democratic party.

Hon. John G. Carlisle, who is certainly a man of brains, admits that if reorganization comes it must be at the suggestion of the southern states, where Mr. Bryan received nearly all of his electoral votes. The New York Evening Post goes a step further and declares that if the Democratic party is to recede from the Chicago and Kansas City platforms, W. J. Bryan must lead the movement.

This is nearer sanity than anything we have seen on the subject. The Post declares that Mr. Bryan and the party leaders who gave him their support in 1896 and in 1900 are the only men that could take the Democratic masses with

But neither Mr. Bryan nor the leaders who stand with him have given forth any utterance that can be interpreted to mean that they favor any reorganization whatsoever. On the contrary, those of the leaders who have spoken unqualificacy oppose any such

One thing is certain, and that is that something else than that it has met with two successive defeats must be assigned as the reason for reorganization before it will come. The seven million men who voted for Hryan on the 6th of this month must be convinced that the platform upon which he stood was the exhibition next year shall be dewrong before they could, as honest cidedly up to date and far in excess of men, abandon that platform. That this year's show. To that end Presithey were unsuccessful certainly does dent Moore has attended the not show that. The Democratic party was defeated for almost a quarter of a Plans have been set on foot to co-opercentury on the tariff question, but they are with the national association in orfinally swept the country on that very der to avoid conflicting dates such as issue, and that, too, on a platform in occurred this year, St. Louis and Chiissue, and that, too, on a platform in which there was a more explicit expression in favor of "a tariff for reve- weeks in the calendar

The Asheville Citizen. nue only" than any previous national

It is a fact, as Oliver Wendell Holmes has said, that truth, when first announced, is always ugly and repulsive to the masses, if not to every one, But there never has been a time when truth-was not beautiful to those who 

If the Democracy has been advocating the truth it will lose its unattractiveness just in proportion as it is investigated. If it has been trying to teach error it cannot avoid failure.

But the hour of defeat is not the cost of the culvert had said it would hour of sound judgment. Let reorganicost between \$5000 and \$6000. But the hour of defeat is not the there were 16,627 criminal trials in gation come, if it must, but seven mil-North Carolina, and 10.845 convictions. | Hon men have the right to ask time The total was 2000 less than in the two for consideration. And, if it comes, repreceding years. While this does not member, it must come from within, indicate the ushering in of the millen- not from without, the Democratic

### FOR JUDGMENT CREDITORS

DECISION IN THE WESTERN CAR-OLINA BANK CASE.

Yesterday afternoon in Superior had bilked one of Mr. Clemens' serv- court Judge Allen heard argument on ants out of 50 cents. There was not the Western Carolina bank case. It will much money involved, but it showed be recalled that the bank at the time that Mark Twain has a serious side of its failure attempted to execute a deed of assignment to Lewis Maddux and L. P. McLoud. The creditors con-tended that this deed of assignment was void under the section of the code saying that any creditor might attack such a deed within 60 days after its

Judge Ewart, who was then attempting to exercise civil jurisdiction, attempted to appoint Messrs, Maddux and McLoud receivers of the bank on justices of the peace on the 12th and 13th of October. About midnight of Ocmitted, had jurisdiction, appointed Messrs, Maddux and McLoud temporary receivers.

These creditors claimed that their judgments docketed in the office of the Superior court clerk created liens on real estate up to the time of the apwood, This was resisted by some of the larger general creditors and stockhold-Judge Merrimon representing some of the general creditors, and Martin & Webb. Tucker & Muphy and Bourne

Judge Allen this morning announced his decision, which was in favor of the judgment creditors, holding that they amount of the judgments is about

The case of Mrs. Julia E. Woodcock against Col. J. M. Ray was also argued, J. W. Summers, representing the defendant, and Alfred S. Barnard rep-tesenting Mrs. Woodcock. The plain-tiff is suing to recover a judgment of \$4000, by right of subjugation to the rights of J. B. Bostic and others, sureties on a paper executed by Colonel Ray to J. B. Bostic and others. The plaintiff claims that she has the right to be subjugated to all rights which Mr. Bostic and his associates had un-

There also came on to be heard the house of congress were intended to would issue a mandamus or injunction question of whether Judge Alien represent the people, the senators the on the city to secure fines paid for violation of state statutes. J. D. Murphy argued the matter for the county and L. M. Bourne for the city. Judge Allen took the matter under advisement,

### FOOTBALL HYMN.

Yet sons of the East, Ben Ali's sons abound -Dost feel the ail And nail it to the rail?

Ye Captain, choice Whose tones the rest impound, Dost feel the all And nail it to the rail?

Ye Center's rush. And ye Ender's push, The Halfback's tuns surround, Dost feel the ail Of the Criss Cross ground. And nail it to the rail?

If the Fullback's pick Of a wind-caught "quick," Kicks it out of bounds, Doth the Rushers all On the Criss Cross ground, Or nall it to the rail?

Or the driven ball Lands behind the godl, And it's met not there, forewarned. Doth feel the ail Of the Criss Cross ground, Or nail it to the rail?

But if it's met. And the meeter gets The weight of the world, Zounds! Doth feel the ail Of the Criss Cross ground, And nail it to the rail?

Ye sons of the West, Yet sons of the East, Ben Ali's sons abound;-And if Charity's found At the Criss Cross ground, Then Faith's nailed to the rail

For your head's the world, And the ball's awhirl To pass the posts, if sound, And it's Faith's fond sale Of the Criss Cross ground, That Hope holds up the rail.

Then passover The Criss Cross Passover the rail! If we feel an all On the Criss Cross ground We'll nail it to the rail! Asheville, Nov. 24.

HORSE SHOW PLANS.

Chicago, Nov. 24.-The managers of the Horse show are determined that York horse show and has looked into

LAST EVENING.

At the meeting of the Board of Aldermen last evening the Atkin street matter was brought up again by Maj H. C. Hunt, who wanted to know what the board intended to do about the street to put in the stone culvert. The board told Major Hunt that after he had left last meeting the city engineer

Major Hunt did not agree with the city engineer in regard to the cost and hinted that the property owners would fix the culvert, the city paying only yearly until paid, the work done to be specified by the city engineer. The Major said that owing to the absence from the city of Gaston Meares, the matter could not be decided until his return, which will be on Sunday, so the matter was left open until next Friday.

supervision of the street superintendto work elsewhere. After some discusstreet committee with power to act ...

ter of Mrs. Patton's house on Orange street, in regard to having the house moved back. The matter was left

O. D. Revell was before the board in regard to extending sewerage so he could make connection with the same from the Barnard building. He made a proposition to the board to do the necessary work and take it out in water rents. Chairman Sherrill of the water committee moved that the proposition be accepted, which was done and the work was ordered.

Alderman Sherrill also made a report recommending a sewer line of about 225 feet for Grady street, the work to

Alderman West brought up a matter relating to a house on Sunset drive owned by Dr. Porter. The trouble lies in the fact that in building steps to lead from the sidewalk into the basement the steps were made to take in part of the sidewalk, making it dangerous for a person walking that way after dark. The board ordered that the clerk notify Dr. Porter to have the

board about two cottages of his on Montford avenue. He stated that the houses were built on the old grade, which he thought was a permanent one. That since the new grading had been done one of his houses was three or four feet and the other six feet be low the sidewalk and that this condi-tion of affairs had prevented him from renting them. After discussing the matter some time it was referred to the street committee.

A petition was read from the market house people requesting permission to close all day Thanksgiving day, the market to remain open until 7:30 p. m. on Wednesday, the 28th. The request was granted.

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MATTERS BEFORE THE BOARD

\$3006. This proposition was favorably received by the board, who agreed to pay the money in installments of \$600

L. Blomberg asked the board for per mission to get rock from his property near the depot by blasting without the ent, who could not be present owing sion the matter was referred to the Alderman West brought up the mat-

be done by convict force. Adopted.

place put in safe condition. Dr. T. E. Linn made complaint to the

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