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ABITRACT FROM THE SUPERIN-TENDENTS REPORT. Subscription to the Observer.

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No Beviation From These Rules

pursuance of Secretary Manning's policy to reduce the force of employees in his department wher e it could be done without detriment to the public interests the services of the public interests the services of three hundred store keepers, gaugers, etc., have been dispensed with since March, the averge per diem of whom was four dollars. Here is a considerable of a lopping off in the matter of expense which in the course of a year would amount to a lorge store. The

The announcement is made that in

would amount to a large sum. The Secretary has also made a reduction in the clerk force of his department. In the other departments also there have been numbers of removals of secretary has also there have been numbers of removals of secretary has also made a reduction the secretary has also made a reduction to figure a reduction to figure

unnecessary employees, many of whom were holding sinecures and drawing pay, for party services or as the favorites and hangers on of men who had influence with past administrations. There is no foolishness in this administration when it comes to business, and no making of soft places

Alma Polish, and that the government is to be run upon business principles pure and simple. At the end of the present year when the balance sheet is struck TEACHERS. and the expenses of running the machine are shown in comparison with

result in figures that speak for them-

THE EDITORIAL TREADMILL Mr. Kingsbury, in the Wilmington Star, commenting upon the address of Mr. Daniel at the Press convention draws the following true sketch. It is written by one who has been there and is competent to speak:

The editorship of a daily is at once the most exacting, the most laborious, the most consuming, the most insatiable of all callings in life. The minister of the Gospel can rest a day or more at will each week. The lawyer has his dull days, weeks, months. The physician, with some exceptions, has his experiences when it is "alarmingly healthy." The teacher is confined but five days in the week, has his three months vaca tion, and, if he is wise like the late William I Bingham teaches but six william J. Bingham, teaches but six hours a day and never punishes him self because he has bad or lazy boys. But the editor of a Southern daily is like a galley-slave chained to his boat. He goes each day the rounds of duty, and keeps on in the eternal treadmill week after week until they have grown to a year, and then on and on until the harness falls from the tired and the heart is forever as phyxiated and the throbbing pulse is still and the wearied pulse toils no more, has "lulled itself to sleep" and "sleep has slipt into death." Then a last good night to the poor pencil

of proper training, of thorough in-dustry—the editor who labors faithfully each day and has no other call-but to labor. In the North, and on the larger papers everywhere there is a division of labor. Men have spe cial departments. But on most of the Southern dailies an editor will write on a dozen topics or more each day; will go over great files of ex changes seeking the best here and there; will be news editor, proof-reader, journalist every cay.

Currey Hay.

Hay half cured will not save sweet and clean in stack or mow, with the ordinary surroundings. It may keep in a tight mow where the air is entirely excluded, something on the same principle of the silo. But damp hay, half cured, when put in stach or barn will mould, spoil and become useless. And the old and foolish idea that salt will aid in preserving hay when used in the protoo ridiculous to contemplate It was one of Horace Greely's impracticable theories published on the same page dation to sprinkle cucumber and nelon vines vith salt pickle to kill

The writer had a hay farm exclusively for twenty years in Indiana, where he made all kinds of experiwhere he made all kinds of experiments in cutting and curing hay. And during twenty-three years on a large farm in lowa, where he seldom, cut less than 150 tons of hay per year, he found invariably that it was necessary to have his hay thor oughly cured, if we would have it ome out in winter sweet and clear

A Vine Two Centuries Old

A grapevine which bears natural hundred. New Castle county, Del. It has a sturdy trunk and gigantic branches, measuring 5 feet 10 inches around the butt. It grows in a very enty spot, at a distance of about enty feet from the roadside, in a ster of four or five trees, its inches interlacing them all and ming a decided shelter from sun forming a decided shelter from sun and rain. It is but a short distance from the romantic banks of the brandy wine and in 1883 its production was forty baskets of grapes, Just how old this giant is not known, but it must be at least two centuries old, judging from its thickness, and might freely be called historical.

Positive Cure for Piles.

The Chartotte Obserner. CITY GRADED SCHOOLS.

Their Attendance and Condition --- List of Graduates and Teachers --- Current

In a brief report of the Charlotte Graded Schools, recently submitted to the Chairman of the School Commissioners by Supt T. J. Mitchell he calls attention to their growth and he calls attention to their growth and progress in the past, an irejoices over the encouraging prospects of their increased usefulness in the future.

He says: "The whole number of pupils enrolled during the school year, ending June 5, 1885, was 1,505; of this number, 805 attended the white school, and 700, the colored school

"In reading, spelling, writing, arithmetic, oral lessons, composit on, and you'd music, there were 1,505

GRADUATES AND HONORS. "The following persons have fin-ished the course of study, as far as laid down, and received a certificate

well, Gussie Neisler, William Prather and Walter Treloar. when party strikers will be housed and fed at the public expense, without rendering any equivalent for the money they draw.

"Of this number, Maggie Shaw, for her superior rank in scholarship and deportment, was awarded the prize scholarship, offered by the Rev. W. R. Atkinson, in the Charlotte Female. Institute, and William Prather the It is pretty well demonstrated by this time that the heads of the respective departments in Washington not only talk reform but practice it.

Institute, and william Practice the prize scholarship, in Bingham's school, offered by Major Robert Bingham. The Peabody medals, present ed by the Trustees of the Peabody Educational Fund, for excellence in Educational Fund, for excellence in

"The following is the list of the teachers, thirty in all, employed in past administrations under Republican regime, the people will see the Erwin, Mr. E. B. Smedes, Miss Mary Alexander, Miss Annie Jones, Miss Annie Dewey, Miss Magdalena Oertel, Miss Kate Shipp, Miss Sudie Hutchi-son, Miss Annie Rackin, Miss Bessie Caldwell, Miss Carrie Clarkson, Miss

well as the expenditures, were about school, furniture, stoves, school registers, erasers, crayon, brooms, lumber, nails, lime, freight, drayage, repairs, interest, insurance, printing, and all the necessary incidental expenses, amounted to only \$600, making the total expenditures of the schools \$9,-

"\$3,500 of this amount was realized from the special city tax for school purposes, \$3,700 from the State and county school fund, \$800 was donated by Dr J. L. M. Curry, from the Peabody Educational Fund, \$900 was left over from last year, and the remaind er was received from donations, school exhibitions, and outside

"It will be seen from the above statement that the expenditures for school purposes have actually been less than they ought to be. Economy is to be encouraged; but too close shav ing in educational, as well as in other affairs, is not to be desired. The schools have suffered from the want of maps, globes, charts, and other supplies, because the school fund did not warrant their purchase

HEALTH AND ATTENDANCE

"During the year that has just ended, the schools have been obliged to contend with some sickness among the children of the city, which has affected, somewhat, their usually good attendance. The rules in regard to the care of the health of the children, however, are thorough and strict, and they have been as well protected from exposure as they would have been had they remained

Tardiness in the school has shown a most gratifying decrease. This has been brought about by the earnest efforts of the teachers and the praise worthy ambition of the pupils. By the cordial co-operation of the parents of the children, this evil can be reduced to the minimum. As a rule, the children attend school whenever they possibly can, and an in-creasing love for school and all that pertains to it, is observable on all

TEACHERS SHOULD IMPROVE.

constant aim of most of our teachers constant aim of most of our teachers to acquaint themselves with the best methods of teaching. This is exactly right. No teachers should be re-employed who do not keep posted in the literature of thier profession and do not show an earnest desire for self-improvement. If any school in the improvement. If any school in the land is using better methods of infruit ex sts on the farm of the late struction than ours, it is the duty of Marshall S. Chandler, in Christiana our teachers to find them out and

"It should be the duty of every teacher in the school to take advantteacher in the school to take advantage of the opportunity to attend the summer session of one of our State Normal Schools, and of these who never taught, it should be demanded. "There is too much of a tendency on the part of young people everywhere, after obtaining a position, to rely upon the influence of their friends to be an them from loging it rather than

on the influence of their friends to keep them from losing it, rather than upon their own efforts to deserve it. They are altogether too willing to settle down into a life of inglerious mediocrity. The best teachers in our schools should be expected to be better teachers next year than now, and the new teachers, who do not post themselves in the theory and practice of teaching, and seek to learn every real improvement in the profession, should be asked to make way for those who will,

"The public school system is a reat corporation, comprising large interests, and requiring great wisdon and ability for the management of its affairs. It has its board of direct tors, its officers, and subordinate co-workers, whose faithfulness and skill determine its character and useful-ness. Its stockholders are those who share its benefits in the education of their children, and the promotion of public interests. Unlike many other institutions, its stockholders have, at all times, a free opportunity to investigate the methods of operation adopted, to compute the amount of profit they are deriving from their investment, to encourage meritorious service, and to utter their protests against abuses. The future of this great enterprise, whether prosperous or disastrous, will most clearly depend upon the intelligent, wise, and vigilant action of those most directly interested in its success.

THE FUTURE OF THE SCHOOLS

nterested in its success. What the by what the people require, and what they are willing to contribute, to bring them up to a proper stans dard of excellence." CONCLUSION. He concludes by thanking the members of the old board of commis sioners for their uniform considera-

tion and hearty support, and ex-presses an earnest hope that the new board will continue to extend to him, in the discharge of all his duties, the same confidence and thoughful co-

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many years' acquaintance. The other gentlemen are here to influence the choice of the Postoffice Department in the matter of various postoffices in their vicinity. Judge Gillian and Mr. Staton are friends of
Mrs. Gen. Pender, whom they are
sealously supporting in the Tarboro
postoffice contest.

examined yesterday. Another list are being chatecised today. The examination is by paper. One sheet at a time with a number of puzzling questions is handed to each candi-Caldwell, Miss Carrie Clarkson, Miss Codie Phifer, Miss Annie Rodie, Miss Ella Scarr, Miss Neua Rodie, Miss Sallie Bethune, Miss Lucy Robinson, Miss Ida Wells, Mr. J. E. Rattley, Miss Mary Hayes, Miss Annie Walker, Miss Mary Lynch, Miss Victoria Richardson, Miss Hattie Latham, Mrs. Mary Harris, Miss Isabella But ler, and Miss Sallie Hall. date. He sits down at a table or desk went out to get a drink a water' early in the action and did not return. "Whew!" cried one accomplished gentleman, "regular school boy drill. Hadn't thought of such things in ages." But I understand that most of the work set the applicants was practical, connected with the work-ings of the Postoffice Department, of at least had a bearing on the business

to be undertaken. Only three North Carolinians were actually present— Messrs. Everett, (Capt Butts Everett) of Wilmington, J. W. Moore, the historian, and Thomas M. Arrington, of Rocky Mount, Nash county. The esult will not be known for a day or two, probably not before Monday. The salary of a Postoffice Inspector is \$1,600, but only \$1,200 is paid during the probationary period of six months. In both cases expenses at the rate of \$4 per day are allowed. The Inspector travels free, as a postal clerk, on railroads which carry the mails. The place is much sought, but as it re quires some education, considerable knowledge of men and a modicum of business experience, the government wisely decides to subject all appli

cants to a rigit examination. There were five North Carolinians in alkat the Convention of Railway Master Machinists. In addition to those previously sent I find John F. Divine and John Bissett, of Wilmington, and change "George Gates" into George Gattis. Capt. Divine was chosen one of the vice Presidents. The excellent engraving of the late John H. Wheeler, intended to accompany his last work, just published here, represents the historian as he looked when he was minister at

The mail to Blackwell's Springs postoffice. Buncombe county, will hereafter be delivered at Alexander.

Benjamin F. Logan has been com missioned as postmaster at Shelby Charlotte A. Glover at Troutman's. The collectors of customs appointed yesterday at Newbern and Beaufort, Messrs. Richardson and Howland, were introduced to the Observ ER readers some time ago as the probable appointees.

The schemes of a "Small Farm Company" in England is already as-suming definite shape. The general scope of the company will be to buy up land and to re sell it in small parup land and to re'sell it in small par-cels by a system of annual payments. In so doing the company will, it is hoped, meet the particular wants of several classes of people—such for instance as the following: (1) Com-munities of agricultural laborers, each of whom would own separate horses, plows, etc., in common. (2) Small farmers, willing to farm holds ings of not more than thirty acres.
(3) Tradesmen and other immigrants from neighboring towns wishing to kinds of petite culture, market gard ening, bee keeping, poultry breeding, and the like. It is an excellent scheme and its progress deserves to be watched with close and pratical in-

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pils of Prot. Neaves' Music School.

leader in the chorus and led off in a solo. Mrs. S. M. Frazier was the accomplished piano accompanist. It is the desire of the people of Salisbury and vicinity that in some not far distant day they will be again visited by such a rare treat.

Salisbury, N. C., June, 19 '85.

THE CURRITUCK MARKET BOY

How Minister Jarvis Struggled up tr the Bottom Rung.

Ex-Gov. Jarvis related the following personal incidents in responding to the toast in his honor at the dinner tendered him in Norfolk, Va., on the evening of the 11th inst:

friend would have it, by such friends as I am surrounded with this evening. In 1865 I became almost a wan-derer in your city. May, 1865, pass-ing along Main street, penniless and unknown, I was accosted by a German clothier who said: 'Mine frent, don't you want a suit of clothes?' I knew of no one who 'wanted them more than I did, but how should I get a suit of clothes with not a penny in my pocket? I told him yes, and explained my improvished condition, when he asked: 'Are you one of those fellows who went to the war and is just getting home?' 'Yes,' said I. 'Then come and get a suit,' said

OF AMERICA.

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CHARLOTTE, N. C.

This association, now nearly four years old, so having a membership in a large number of the States, amounting to nearly 25,000 beneficiaries has just established a general agency for Nort Carolina, with headquart is in Charlotte.

To do this it has been necessary to comply with the laws of the State, which has been done, as with more fully appear by reading the following copy of certificate and receipt from the Secretary of State Copy—No. 26.

Copy-No 27

As the shades of evening were drawing near on Wednesday last, and the sun in his majestic array was seen to go slowly down on the western hills, crowds repaired to Meroney's Hall to witness the annual entertainment to be given by Prof. W. H. Neave's singing class—the presentation of Saroni's greatest Operetta entitled "Lily Bell," the Culprit Fay, the epitome of which was given on the programme. It is unnecessary to state here that those who went thither to witness something "grand" were not disappointed in their expectation; for in such an elegant and beautiful manner was it presented, that it would reflect credit presented, that it would reflect credit upon actresses further advanced in the same. Not only is universal praise due to Prof. Neave for the very skillful manner in which it was conskillful manner in which it was conducted, but also to the young ladies, each of whom acquitted herself and performed the part allotted to her so well, that it would be doing an injustice to say that one did better than the other. The "Fairy Queen" was Miss Gertrude Davis, who, by the manner in which she performed the duties incumbent upon a queen, won manner in which she performed the duties incumbent upon a queen, won the hearty applause of the audience. Miss Annie C. Smith was assigned the principal part—Lily Bell—and acted in such a way as to permit one to say it was "hard to beat." Her rival—Thistledown—was Miss Annie

peration.

TROM WASHINGTON,

Midsummer Visitors-Whait they Come
for and How they Talk-More About
the Inspectors' Examination and the
Master Machinists' Convention.
Correspondence of The Observer.

Washington, June 19.—Among our
midsummer visitors are the following; Judge Gilliam and H. L. Staton.
of Tarborough; Mr. Bell, member of
the Legislature, from Edgefield; Mr.
Mullen, of Halifax; Mr. and Mrs. and
Misses Browning, of Littleton.

The latter is a merchant who is
showing the madam and young ladies
"the sights," with which he has
many years' acquaintance. The other gentlemen are here to influence
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Mrs. Gen. Pender, whom they are
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postoffice contest.

About sixty applicants for the position of Postoffice Inspector were
examined yesterday. Another list
are being chatecised today. The ex-

"Forty years ago this very month, when but 9 years of age, I drove a market cart to this city, and for years continued to come and go, bringing from Currituck eggs, chickens, &c., and carrying home necessary supplies for family use. The world moves, and the market carts of those days have given way to railroads and steamboats, which ply on the rivers and which build up your wharves. And you, my friends, are entertaining tonight one of the market boys of old Currituck. The change has been wrought, as my old

he, 'and pay me when you get the money,' 'And' said the Governor, 'I don't think he regretted letting me

have that suit. "A'he Dyspeptic's Refuge." "I am thirty-five years old," writes Mr. Charles B. Watts, of West Somers, Putnam Co., N. Y., "and had cuffered from dyspepsia for fifteen years. The current treatment did me no good. Listlessly and without hope I gave Parker's Tonic a trial. I can give the result in three words: it edred me. I will core you.

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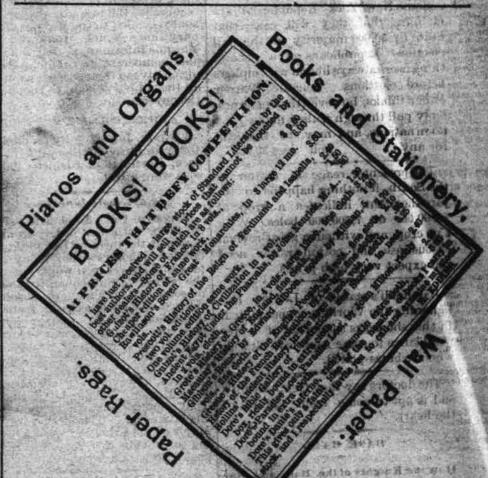
Which we shall offer at prices that will extinguish the gas blowing of all competition.

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