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WASHINGTON WATCH-NOTES.

A Premature Tariff Discussion --The Nude Art at the Capitol --North Carolina Work in Congress--The Kirmes. orrespondence of THE OBSKEVER.

WASHINGTON, D. C., May 14 - During a debate today on a patent bill the subject of the tariff came up and Messrs. Dunn, Kelly, Butterworth, Bayne and others participated. This precipitation of the tariff discussion shows an eagerness on both sides to grapple with the question, such as was shown in the matter of silver at the beginning of the session. It is evident from the situation of the appropriation bills that Mr. Randall is holding a stick for Mr. Morrison, The House took away from the former seven of the great appropriation measures. Of these all but one, the nayal, have been reported and several have been passed. Mr. Randall's committee have jurisdiction over six bills. Four of these, two of them the most important of the whole thirteen, remain to be referred to the

A crank went up on the stairs of the dome today, undressed himself and rushing into the thickly crowded rotunda, passed as a work of art. The old French woman, who is ever ready for emergencies, threw a water proof over the throbbing statue of liberty and a Capitol policeman ush ered him away.

Senator Vance ator Miller's dinner last night in honor of the visiting editors of the country press of New York.

Mrs. Vance was one of the assistant managers at the Kermes last evening. She was connected with the Gypsy dance. Another North Carolina lady, Miss Lasselles Grandy, of Eliz. abeth City, was one of the attractions in the beautiful Sweedish dance.

Mr. Johnston got through the House this morning a bill for the rehef of one of his constituents. It was due to the obsence of objector Beach that this and other small measures were asked by unanimous consent,

I understand that the committee on Labor will ask the House next Mon day to set apart a day for the consideration of the educational bill. As most of the days have been preempted by other committees for several weeks ahead, there will be some difficulty in finding an early day for the measure.

The war claims committee through representative Reid, reported a bill some time since, giving Lt. William J. Hammond of the 2nd North Carolina Infantry (Federal army), certain compensation for services, and the bill went to the calendar, The private calendar coming up today, the bill with the amendment suggested by the committee, passed. Hammond receives about one thousand

The Kermes is a conglomeration of national peasant dances, and among the more picturesque are North American Indian, Japanese and Tyrolean. The event has been talked about here for weeks. The result was a grand success scenically and, I understand, financially, although being the first thing of the sort, is cost a a good deal to put it on the stage. Hon. A. H. Van Bokkelen, of Wil-

mington, arrived here this morning,

THE NEW ENGLAND MAILS.

George E. Dame to Succeed W. M. Bigelow as Superintendent of

the Service. The resignation of W. H. Bigelow superintendent of the New England railway mail service has been accepted, to take effect May 20. It was demanded some time ago. On that date George E. Dame, of Newport, N. H., will be appointed to the place. Mr. Dame is a Democratic politician, and was recommended for this posi-

tion over a year ago by Frank Jones and A. W. Sulloway, of New Hampshire. They urged his name upon the President, but the latter said he did not let any party considerations enter into the conduct of so efficient and non-partisan force as that of the railway mail service. So Mr. Dame's friends went away discouraged. In March Dame was here and was aps pointed a poet-office inspector by Mr. Vilas after what was called a civil service examination, but with which the civil service commission had nothing to do. He will now be pro-moted to be head of the railway ser-vice for all New England, for the President has been brought to see that the party will be benefitted by having a Democrat in that position. Mr. Dame is personally an efficient mr. Dame is personally an emclent man, and for many years, up to this spring, was clerk of the courts for Sullivan County, N. H. His appointment is not officially promulgated, but your correspondent has his information direct from the Postmaster

General's office. Two Million Dollars Worth of

Property Destroyed. DAYTON, O., May 15.—It is estimated that the loss to the nine counties recently devastated by the flood and wind, Greene, Clark, Madison, Miami, Darke, Preble, Montgomery, Butler and Warren will foot up to two million dollars. ANNUAL REPORT

OF THE MAYOR AND TREAS-URER

Of the City of Charlotte for the Years 1885-86. To the Taxpayers and Citizens of the City of Charlotte:

In this country it is a time bonored custom, when contributions are made for the public good, that those in charge of the trust funds should be required to render an account of the manner in which they have dis-charged the duties and obligations devolved upon them.

In ebedience to this rule I am requested by the Beard of Aldermen to present to you an epitome of the first year of their administration of the interests of the city.

A tax of 90 cents on the one hundred dollars for general purposes was levied on property, and 10 cents on the same for graded schools, with a tax of three dollars on the poll. These, with the licenses and privile-ges, including cotton tax and police court fines and costs, constitute the chief sources of income-amounting in round numbers to \$51,416,00. Of this amount about \$14,000 were ap-plied to the payment of floating debts existing a the organization of the

esent Board. The Treasurer's report of receipts and disbursements, which is here with submitted, will explain to you in detail the various sources of revenue, as well as the different purposes

to which it has been applied. This plain statement of income and expenditure you will readily understand, shows a balance of floating debt of \$2,940.85. You will observe that the largest expenditure, to wit, \$14.794.11 has been applied to the "Street Department." This sum has paid for a very large amount of work done throughout the entire city. The opinion is entertained that more permanent improvements and repairs have been made to the streets and sidewalks during the last year than have been made for several years heretofore, and at a less annual ex-

Capt. S G. Strickland has been the superintendent of this work, and you are indebted to him for much efficiency and good management in its economical execution. His force has been on every street and they all show improvement. Much grading, cutting down the hills and filling the depressions, widening streets as well as rock work has been done. This is manifest on Graham street,

on Sixth street from Poplar to Graham streets, on Third street from Poplar to A. T. & O. Railroad, on College street, on "E" street, with large rock wall and culvert, as well as on other streets. For under drains 502 feet of terra cotta pipe have been used, of rock guttering 4,864 lineal feet have been laid, of rock curbing 6,184 feet have been placed on the borders of nine streets. Of new macadamizing 800 lineal feet, nearly 30 feet wide, has been placed

on College and Fourth streets. The old paved and macadam rock work, done on Trade and Tryon streets 30 and 19 years since, respect ively, has been repaired for nearly two miles by dressing it over with small rock about four inches deep, making the driving over it easy and graceful, at a cost of about \$1,800. About 2700 cart loads of gravel and 8,000 feet of plank have been placed on the sidewalks of various streets to

their great improvement. An entirely new bridge has been erected over east Sugar Creek, on the extension of Tenth street (Lawyer's road) with a twenty-foot span, supported by rock abutments in place of the old trestle bridge which was 162 feet long, 142 feet of this space having been filled by the abutments and earth embankments,

This bridge and earthwork were constructed by that efficient contrac-tor, Mr. W. W. Phifer, as well as 400 feet of macadamizing on College street, each costing about \$500. It may be proper to state further that, as an item on the account of disbursements, two new carts and four mules have been added to the property of the city at a cost of \$570.

The foregoing comprise the chief items of expenditure upon the streets.

The increased revenue derived from the extended limits of the city has not been commensurate with the additional burdens imposed. There are about forty miles of street in the city and many of them have to be brought to proper grades and levels before they are ready for the rock. The clay roads meet the wants of the public in the summer, but wholly fail for winter transportation. We must come to rockways. They are the only roads that are permanent, though expensive. The prominent thoroughfare should be so improved as fast as the means of the city will justify, and ultimately, as the county developes they will penetrate every portion of it.

During the year there has been paid on account of sewers and water-works \$5,093.10. Also on account of gas and oil lamps \$4,649.36. These amounts exceed the regular annual charges of these two departments owing to pre-existing debt against them, paid and included, amounting

to over \$1,000. The expenses of the Fire Department are given in detail, aggregating the moderate sum of \$2,151.03. The three fire engine companies and the Hook and Ladder Cempany are well officered and highly efficient They are a credit to the city.

The Police Department has cost the city \$6,822.09. The purpose of the police Commission has been to im-

prove the morals of this department, which is now in an efficient condition, The cemeteries have drawa from the treasury \$2,498.61, but the efficient superintendent, Dr. F. Scarr, with some assistance on the part of S. Bradley, keeper of Pinewood Cemetery, has returned to the city the sum of \$795 95, derived from work on cultivated therein -making the actual outlay during the year \$1,702.66. Elmwood Cemetery is an ornament to the city and an evidence of the civilization and culture of its people, while Pinewood Cemetery has greatly improved and is not wanting in 118

good taste and style.

The bonded debt of the city is \$10. 000, the annual interest being \$800. Interest and coupons have been paid during the year to the amount of \$1,663.74. More than half this sum was interest in bank and accumulated on past due coupons,

The expenses of the cotton weighing department amounted to \$2,304.53.
By reference to the general statement of the Treasurer you will readily see the application of the balance of the

On the first of May last a debt was due in bank of \$10,000. By the fall, before the general taxes were due, this was increased to \$20,000, all of which has been paid since, with an over draft against the city of \$2,-

In the Treasurer's report you will observe one or two heads of expenditure that require more particular explanation to an intelligent understanding. The contingent department, for instance, embraces such items of expenditure as are not prop erly chargable to any other regular account, to wit: \$650.00 lawyer's fees, services in important suit with the Atlantic, Tennessee & Ohio Rails road Company, as well as salary of road Company, as well as salary of attorneys for 1884. Printing, stationery, insurance on city property, election expenses, surveying new city limits, two telephones, Home and Hospital appropriation, tax refunded, &c., &c.

So with the fire department (general) this embraces the expenses, \$325, of rebuilding the front wall of the Pioneer company's building, with

Pioneer company's building, with other work, remodeling the hall of the Hornet company, repairing trucks and payment of pre-existing debts.

The police department includes old police debts, feed of prisoners, rent of office, telegrams, repairs of court and prison rooms &c. and prison rooms, &c. The city is supplied with 116 street gas lamps and 84 oil lamps, the ser-vice of the latter has not been satis-

factory. The committee on lamps and gas have recently purchased two new gasolene lamps and changed 32 of the present lamps to gasolene burners. They promise a decided improvement on the oil lamp, and if entirely successful, all the oil burners will be changed to measure the successful. ers will be changed to gasolene lamps The Federal census of the city was estimated in 1880 at 7,094. In February and March it was taken under the supervision of Col. C. W. Alexander, and numbers, by actual count, 9,076, within the city limits, while the number of suburban inhabitants is 1,551, making the total 10,627. Love of home and patriotic impulses often invite an over estimate of aggregate masses of people. But this shows a rapid increase in the growth of the city since the cen-sus of 1880. No town is more eligibly

located for rapid growth and develop-ment, with a rich and fertile soil and a cultured and intellectual population around it, located in the temperate zone, 750 fret above tide water. almost exempt from malaria and cyclones, with a climate where las borers, both white and colored, can work in or out of doors all the year. chanical and manufacturing capital, with its six lines of railroads leading to the exterior world. Your aldermen are ready to offer

and labor to establish themselves in The time is not remote when it will become necessary to adopt a general system of sewerage. A general plan should be surveyed and mapped out by a competent civil engineer who is also familiar with sanitary laws. After the survey the system should be commenced with a moderate expenditure the first year, and to be gradually extended as the city continues to im prove. Naturally the city is most eligibly located for an improved sys

reasonable inducements to capital

tem of sewerage.

The graded schools are progressing dmirably well under their efficient superintendent, Prof. T. J. Mitchell. The training school has recently graduated, in its first year, nineteen teachers, who are commissioned to go forth in the great cause of educa-

The colored school is greatly in need of a more eligible lot and larger buildings. But of these schools more information may be given at the end of the scholastic year

The opinion is cheerfully expressed that the Board of Aldermen has been conscientious in the discharge of their duties, economical in their administration and acuated by the highest integrity. While you can continue to procure gentlemen of high character, conservative, and identified with the interest of the city, to act as aldermen, you can rely upon a faithful control of its affairs. Although to them it may be some sacrifice of private interest, yet they have the sat-isfaction of having rendered some

service to their fellow-men. To the city Treasurer, with his accurate financial balance sheet; to the Chief of Police, with his official corps of police; the excellent Street Commissioner, and vigilant Tax Collector, the citizens are indebted for faithful serrice. Respectfully submitted,
WM. JOHNSON, Mayor.
Charlotte, N. C., May 15, 1886.

> FINANCIAL REPORT OF THE

CITY OF CHARLOTTE

FOR 1865-1886.

TREASURER'S STATEMENT. Receipts. Cash on hand May 2nd, 1885, Mayor's Court fines, to wit:— From F. A. McNinch ex-chief police, astillament May 1895

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