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DEE INTERESTING BOOKS.

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ondence of The Observer.
ville, March St.—Recently Menry was in Newton and sto
the home of Mr. R. M. Warts ped at the home of Mr. R. M. Warfick for a few days. Workmen were re-covering Mr. Warlick's house and while engaged at this they found some old books in the attac under the roof that attracted their attention. Mr. Henry, in looking through the books learned that they contained some family history, and at his request he was permitted to bring them home.

'Among the books was an old ledger of T. C. Graham & Co., of Branchville, Rowan county, dated 1835. Cowan Graham as he was known, conducted a general merchandise business at what

ham as he was known, conducted a general merchandise business at what was then Branchville, which was about two miles from the present site of Cleveland. No building now marks the spot where the store was, but evidences of it can be seen now. He afterward moved to Newton and died there, and this accounts for the presence of the books in Newton. This old ledger contains accounts of different persons who did business with T. C. Graham & Co., and is scrupulously neat and well kept. The writing in it was evidently done with the old goose quill pen, such as was used in those days, and the penmanship was of a superior order and closely resembles lithograph work. Some of the accounts in the book are large once, showing that the parties lived well in those days. The price large ones, showing that the parties lived well in those days. The price paid for articles in those days is also interesting as compared with prices paid for the same at this time. Calico sold at 25 cents per yard, cambric at 38 cents, iron at 40 cents per pound, coffee at 60 cents and spool cotton at 15 cents. It is also learned that corn sold as low as 25 cents per bushel. The sold as low as 25 cents per bushel. The book contains accounts with Captain Jonathan Young, Colonel David Ram-sey, General Thos. G. Polk, Mr. John Invin, father of Mr. J. C. Irvin, of this place, and numerous others. Mr. J. C. Irvin remembers that when a little boy he would go to this store and was sometimes rewarded with a red apple which pleased him very much and was

always palatable. There is also an account with Peter Stuart Ney, whom a great many peo-ple believe to have been the genuine Marshall Ney, who taught school near Branchville and was buried at Third

Another book was one in which Thos C. Graham, guardian of the minor heirs of Thomas Cowan, kept a strict account as guardian of his wards. This con-tains a copy of the terms of hire and sale of slaves. Some of the conditions of the hire of slaves were that 'the boys shall be furnished with two summer sults, one lindsey woolsey suit, one wool hat, one pair of good coarse shoes, one pair of wool socks and one good blanket." The girls were to be furnished in like manner.

ers had due consideration for the wel-fare of the slaves, "they should be given all proper medical attention and will not be permitted on rail or plank road or gold mine and to be treated in a Christian-like manner.' The term of rental extended from

February 25, 1853, to January 1, 1854 and the amount realized for the renta of slaves and certain lands amounted to \$386.30. The negroes, nine in all were sold on the 5th day of January 1854, to the same parties who had rent ed them for a total sum of \$7,064.50. Another was a book of sermons de livered by different divines who were evidently noted in their time. This book contains no dates but must very ancient. In ft the letter "a" is printed as we now print "f." The words sine and loss are spelled "sinne" and

Among other sermons in it is one headed "Sermon preached at the funer-al of the Right Honourable and most excellent lady, the lady Elizabeth Capell, Dowager, together with some of Barton in Hampshire." The sermon commences by saying that Christian hath two great works to perform in this world, to live well and dye well, the first is an absolute prerequisite to the latter, for if we do not live well most assuredly we cannot dye well," etc., the word die being spelled es we now use it in the sense of to col-

Another sermon entitled "Iter Novisimum, or Man, His List Progresse." sermon preached at the funeral of the Right Worshipful Sir Thomas Thinne. Knight.

This book of sermons belonged to as Cowan, who was a brother of Mrs. Ginsey Graham. Mrs. Ginsey Graham was the grandmother of Mrs. Geo. H. Henry, of this place and as it contains the dates of birth, marriages and deaths of different members of the Graham and Cowen families Mrs. Henny prizes it highly. It gives the date of Moses Graham's birth as February 9, 1780, and his death as May 11, 1848. He was the grandfather of Miss Lacy Foster and Mrs. Thos. Gill, of this place. Moses Graham's wife's name nnie Graham. D. C. Foster was married to Abagail Graham, daughter of Moses and Annie Graham, May 4, 1844. They were the parents of Miss Poster and Mrs. Gill.

ashington Post. Chairman Jones seems to think that the Democratic party needs a head-quarters. Jones feels that the party is all right as long as it is able to take up collections and provide a loading place for its so-called lenders.

Mr. Bryan went into the enemy's country to secure his advertisements.

For some reason Mr. Bryan is com-

pelled to go away from home for al-most everything he desires.

The Commoner is not without oppo-sition in its particular line. The Con-gressional Record is still engaged in working off a number of old speeches.

A Frencher Says That Good Heer is Bett Than Bad Water. Oahkosh, Wis., Dispatch, 29th.

Rev. Ed. W. Smith, the paster of the Vest Congregationalist Church, was chaptain of the Twenty-s Visconsin Regiment, declared to rmy canteen, saying: "Good by

HILL SOLID WITH THE IRISH.

HIS ST. PATRICK'S DAY OBATION

New York, March 21.—Ex-Senator David B. Hill is now all that an frishman could desire. His St. Patrick's Day oration before the St. Patrick Society of Brooklyn was notice to the Irish that he is "wid 'em' heart and soul." In his opinion, the United States ought to just make England let the Boers alone. More than that, this government, he thinks, ought to interfere whenever in any part of the world a monarchy attempts to coerce a repubwhenever in any pant of the world a monarchy attempts to coerce a republic; the Monroe doctrine should reach from pole to pole, and Uncle Sam should notify all Kings and Princes that any attempt to extend their "spheres of influence" in any part of the globe will be considered an act unfriendly to the United States. He holds that "a strong and powerful monarchy must submit its alleged differences with a weak republic to arbitration, or else the United States will not permit the monarchy, on the pretence of such differences, to crush the tense of such differences, to crush the republic." This is a curious position for a possible candidate for the presidency to take, and large numbers of dency to take, and large numbers of Mr. Hill's friends here are much surprised and much disappointed that he has taken it. They realize perfectly the Irish vote is not large enough to elect any man President who voices such sentiments. And what can Mr. Hill be after if not the Trish vote? If the Dencerality party must look to such the Democratic party must look to such leadership for restoration to power, it is in bad plight indeed. OPPOSITION TO ACCEPTING CAR-

NEGLE'S OFFER TO NEW YORK. The press of the city has been practically unanimous in praise of Mr. Carnegie for his offer of five millions for the building of 65 new libraries, and the city government has been urged to accept the offer without delay, the Legislature permitting. Doubtless the ma-jority of the people are of the same mind. But there are some who are not. To equip and maintain the libraries will cost about \$1,000,000 per year, which of course must come out of the pockets of the tax-payers, and these say that if we are to have so much additional taxation there are other things e need worse than libraries-for example, more schools. They argue that it would have been better had Mr. Carnegle offered to give the money without the stipulation that the city should provide sites for the libraries and the money to maintain them. However, there is at this writing every probability that Mr. Carnegie's offer will be accepted and the libraries built. Several rich men have offered sites and the city likelf has plenty of land available. But in truth, when we consider the many large and excellent libraries already in the city; the magnificent Tilden Library now under construction. the ridiculous cheapness of books, the industry and field of thought, it does seem that to ask these people to tax

themselves a million a year so as to

hem to do an almost superfluous thing. CHEAPER THEATRE TICKETS. One of the Broadway theatres has recently cut its prices nearly in half and another has followed with a cut to 50 cents for the best seats in the house. It is to be hoped that this is the beginthat the public seems to have little taste for fine acting and fine singing forget that the public is driven to go to the vandeville shows because it cannot afford to pay from two to five dollars for seats at the best theatres and the opera. It is a pity that some millionaire like Mr. Carnegie does not give a large sum of money to the building and endowment of a first-class theatre where people could see the best examples of dramatic art without having memorials of her most holy life to pay more than they could afford. and death. By Ed M. Barker, late That would be an educational work chaplain to her Honor and now Rector worth while. There is no doubt in the world that the public would patronize the best plays and operas if the prices were cheaper. On Saturday nights the Metropolitan Opera House is packed to the roof because then prices are cut in half. On other nights there are rows of empty seats all over the house.

ODELL'S COURSE A POPULAR ONE. The "scrap" now on between Senator Platt and Governor Odell is exciting much interest. The Senator, imagining that he owned the Governor, sent his own beloved son to him in behalf of a bill to place the police force of this city in the hands of the State government. The Governor not only refused to favor the bill, but said that if such bill were passed by the Legislature he would veto it. Mr. Odell has accordingly risen in the estimation of the public about 100 per cent. There is preathless anxiety to see what the Hon. T. C. P. will do next. DULLNESS IN RELIGION A SIGN

OF PROSPERITY. There is duliness in the religious book trade, and that is a sign of prosperous times in other trades. It is the poor, the afflicted and the sick who feel most the need of divine help. Healthy people in good circumstances are not nclined to give much thought to religion. Therefore churches increase their membership when times are hard and are apt to lose members when the country is prosperous. Man is much more prone to beg than to give thanks. A publisher of religious books is quoted as saying: "At the very height of financial troubles we do the largest business." The moon prayer-meetings down town are thronged at such times with anxious money-grubbers imploring the Almighty for cash.

DAVID T. DUNCAN. FIRE IN WINSTON JAIL.

light Damage Done but the Priso ere Very Seared-One Lest His Special to The Observer.

Winston-Salem, March 23.-Inter excitement was created in Winston this evening by fire breaking out in the fall. The prisoners became terribly alarmed and were taken out through the smoke acreaming. One colored man lost his reason and had to be carried to the

It was thought for some time that one prisoner had escaped, but this was a mistake. The fire was extinguished betwee serious damage was done, though considerable water was thrown that the Sudhitter.

MARIERS OF BROKELER DOGLARS.

nce of The Obs

the lives of the Beohtlers, the money moulders. The Beohtler gold coin was a common circulating medium in this country years ago, which many people have seen and of which nearly all have heard, and because this coin was made here from gold dug from Rutherford soil, it is of interest to know something of the history of these people. Christopher and Augustus Bechtler, two brothers, landed together on this continent in 1829. Both were born in Baden, Germany and both owed allegiance to the Grand Duke of Baden until the time of their migration from German soil. The birthday of Christopher Bechtler was the 28th day of November, in the year 1873; that of Augustus, the 2md of July, 1801. They took passage in a ship from Havre, and on the 13th day of October 1828, the ship on which they sailed reached safely the port of New York. Having landed the Bechtler boys selected Philadelphia county, in Pennsylvania, for their home. On the 26th day of October, 1829, they appeared before of October, 1829, they appeared before the clerk of the court for that county, then called the 'General Sessions of the Peace,' and exhibited certified declaraions renouncing their allegiance to any other government, potentate or power, and expressing their intentions of becoming citizens of the United States of America. In accordance with an act of Congress they became citizens of this country. They removed to this county early in the year 1837 and built a home about three or four miles from this town, where they lived until helr death. On the minute docket of the July session of the county court, for 1837, the certificates of their naturalization were recorded.

They were buried in a little family graveyard at the old Bechtler home place, and some years ago their remains were exhumed and shipped to Jermany.

The house in which the Bechtlers made money still stands in this town, being one of the oldest places in the county.

POLITICAL INDEPENDENCE.

t is Asserting Itself Throughout the Land and Should be Encouraged.

Laurinburg Exchange.

Independence in matters political i asserting itself throughout the length and breadth of the land. Independence is God-given and whosoever fails to aseert it is unjust to himself. We know that a few will always purposely mis-construe one's motives but that is a small matter to a truly independent man. The time has passed—if such time ever existed—when any number of people are bound to support the opinons of others, regardless of their own.
The spirit of independence, in all matters, should be encouraged for this very spirit was the cause of the birth of our nation and has always been the mainstay of its existence and it will be the final salvation of ft.

Nearly all of the great men of our nation were noted above all things for this virtue. Andrew Jackson glorified throughout all history for his persistent independence against the greatest odds, and against the greatest men of his party. Thomas Jefferson's opposition to the well entrenched Federalist party, against which he propeeded almost single-handed and alone We are natural admirers of political

independence but some of us never recognize it unless it is asserted by fellow on the other side. For instance when Sepator Wellington, of Maryland ning of the end of exorbitant prices for elected as a Republican, refused to suptheatre seats. People who complain port McKinley and his fellow Republi cans, he was hailed as a great patriot and a living example of all that was great and good in an independent American citizen. But when Senators Caffery, Lindsay and McLaurin differed from their Democratic colleagues, they were hailed as traitors, fit associates of Benedict Armold and all that was treacherous and loathsome.

Let us be fair to all men and impugn the morives of none. Let us accord to our neighbor that which we claim for ourselves that we all act from a conscientious standpoint. Every man is entitled to his own opinion and has one vote with which to register it, therefore bid him God-speed in intelligently using the franchise for the good of his country and his home.

Delightful Reception at Asheboro-Two Marriages. Correspondence of The Observer

Asheboro, March 22.-A reception giv en in honor of Miss Frances Creight, of South Carolina, at the beautiful home of Mr. and Mrs. Wm. H. Moring, Jr., on South Fayetteville street last evening was pronounced a brilliant success. A tableaux in which the guests were photographed through a canvas door was followed by music and then Miss Creight recited very beautifully, refreshments were served and at plate was a card on which a quotation sugestive of the a quotation suggestive of the nameg of the party who was to occupy the seat and parties were required to guess and no mistakes were made. In addition to the young people were Mr. and Mrs. J. B. Simpson, Mr. and Mrs. Ed. Morris and Mrs. Wm. C. Hammer. No one possessed sufficient vocabulary to express their regard of Mrs Moring as a host-

Mr. Moses McDonald and Miss Berta. Ross, and Mr. Geo. W. Hilliard, of the Southern Railway here, and Miss Annie Davis, of Sophia, were married on the Mr. S. S. Porter is building a beauti-

ful cottage on his lot on South Fay-etteville street.

An Extinct Species.

A lecturer in Hustings inquired dranatically: "Can any one in this room tell me of a perfect man?" There was a dead silence.

'Has any one," he continued, "heard a perfect woman? Then a patient-looking little woman "There was one. I've often heard of her, but she's dead now. She was my husband's first wife."

Prof. Ivison, of Lonaconing, Md., suf-Prof. Ivison, of Lonsconing, Md., suf-fered terribly from neuralgia of the stomach and indigestion for thirteen years and after the doctors failed to cure him they fed him on morphiae. A friend advised the use of Kodol Dyspep-sia Cure and after taking a few bot-ties of it he says, "It has cured me en-tirely. I can't say too much for Kodol Dyspepsia Cure." It digests what you eal."—R. H. Jordan & Co.

DR. THORNWELL'S BEST TALK. The Church of God then straight the Spirit of God by their lack of to

regation that assembled to hear Dr. Thornwell preach. He chose for his text the seventh werse of the second chapter of the prophecy by Micah: "O thou that art named the house of Jacob, is the Spirit of the Lord straight-These words are worthy of

He said: These words are worthy of our serious attention for many reasons of which I shall give but two. The first is a very solemn one. If the spirit of the Lord is straightened then we are lef! in a deplorable condition. And the second reason is that if the Spirit of the Lord is straightened, the house of Jacob which is the Church, God is responsible and the inference is that if the Church is responsible then the Church is in a deplorable condition. The Church is the bride of Christ. He is the tutor, the teacher. The Church is full of wrinkles and if is to be presented without spot or wrinkle to be presented without spot or wrinkle at the marriage supper of the Lamb. You have read in the fairy tales how You have read in the fairy tales how a king would be riding through a forest and would see a beautiful maiden with whom he would fall in love at first sight. He would determine to make her his queen but before she was fitted to shine in such an exalted position she must go through a season of training so that is body, mind and soul she would be preserved for the through she would be prepared for the throne. At last, when her preparation was complete, amid the ringing of bells and the firing of cannon, she was brought into her high position. The troth was pledged and she takes her seat beside the King. So the preparing of the Church was entrusted to the Holy Ghost and the day is coming when amid the falling of stars and the blowing of trumpets the King will descend to take to Himself the bride who is

Now suppose the Spirit of the Lord is

adorned for her husband.

bow to His authority Where then does the Church straighten the Spirit of God? I enswer, when she fails to co-operate with the Spirit have sixty-five new libraries is asking them to do an almost superfluous great fame was due to his courageous it is not a question of what the Spirit can do, it is what He will do. He

works through means. How then does the Church straighten he Spirit of God's I remember once eading or hearing some one speak on the subject of how the lazy man can straighten the power of the sun. You have all seen how he can do it. You might drive out in the country and see fields on either side of the road. The soil by analysis was the same. The sun shone on each alike. The rain fell on each in the same amount. But in the gathering time you could go those two fields again and from one a other there might be a small crop or no crop at all. What was the difference? Simply that the owners of one piece of ground, co-operated with the sun and worked his ground well. The other did not work and as a consequence the heat from 'the sun and the hemical elements of the sunlight were straightened in their power. The with the Holy Spirit and if the Church fails to do her part, she straightens the Spirit of God in just that amount. I straightened, the Church is alone is responsible. The sinner cannot drive the spirit from a community but the Church of God can. The sinner, like Saul of Tarsus, may be under the very

shadow of some Damascus gates but n a moment the Spirit can come and totally upset all of that man's plans. But Christians can drive the Spirit of God away. Christians! If these sinners die you are their murderers. Oh to be a child of God, a Christian! It means something. How does the One time Jesus went down to Nazareth and entered into the synagogue and began to preach: "The Spirit of the Lord is upon me, because He hath annointed me to preach the Gospel to the poor; He bath sent me to heal the broker hearted, to preach deliverance to the captives, and recovering of sight to the blind, to set at liberty them that are bruised, to preach the acceptable year of the Lord." What was the result They began to ask, Is not this Joseph's son? Are not His brethren and sisters among us, and they took Him out to was set and were about to cast Him down heladlong. Who was it that troubled Him and drove the Spirit away? It was the elders and deacons and Church members. Then after He went away He said He could not do many miracles there because of their lack of faith. There were lame men in the city who would have liked to be healed but they could not because the Church had straightened the Spirit.

lack of faith in the Church. Suppose-my friends that to-night there should be scores who should come forward here to press into the kingdom of God, wouldn't you be the Spirit of God. When men wanted to bring their palsied friend to Christ they had faith that He would heal him. When the crowd about Him man all him. on account of kidney and liver trouble, nervous prostration and general debility; but, "Three bottles of Electric Bitters enabled me to walk," she writes, "and in three monins I felt like a new person." Women suffering from headache, the presence of Christ and their Talth was rewarded. "Thy sins be forgiven thee. Take up thy bed and walk."

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to be the best that you can procure. Tou want your house to present the very best appearance possible. Do you make any preparation for the reception of the Holy Spirit? Do we show that we are really in earnest in giving the invitation? We can straighten the Spirit by our lack of preparation to receive Him. But we straighten the Holy Spirit when we do not respect His wishes. Some things are all right in their place but we do not want to do wishes. Some things are all right in their place but we do not want to do anything which we know will give sorrow and suffering to one in our home. It is a good thing to play on the plano, but if mother is lying on the bed suffering from a severe headache, that is not the time for daughter to go to her practicing. She had better put it off until another time. If we invite the Holy Spirit to come into our midst, should we not put aside those things which will grieve the Spirit and thus allow our respect for His presence? The Holy Spirit may be coming over Charlotte now. Let us do nothing to grieve Him and make Him turn away. But now, fellow-sinner, I want to have a few words with you in kindness, your welfare depends on this Spirit of

But now, fellow-sinner, I want to have a few words with you in kindness. Your welfare depends on this Spirit of God. Do not let Him depart until you have accepted Christ. A sin against the Father will be forgiven, a sin against the Son will be forgiven, but a sin against the Holy Spirit will not be forgiven. How is that, do you say? Well, here is a man who has been poisoned. A doctor is sent for. He comes well, here is a man who has been pois-oned. A doctor is sent for. He comes and prescribes an antidote for the poison and the druggist fills the pre-scription and sends the medicine down to the house. The patient sees it but that does him no good. He even takes the bottle in his hards and handles it but he will die if that is all he does. If he is to be relieved he must take the medicine. So God the Father like the physician sees the man poisoned by sin and He prescribes the remedy.

Jesus Christ gives Himself as the remedy. Jesus Christ gives Himself as the remedy but it remains for God the Holy Ghost to apply the remedy. So to sin against the Holy Spirit is to refuse to take the remedy that has been providestraightened, is the Church ready for All Christian people believe the call to the ministry is the call of the Holy Spirit. If the Spirit of the Lord is straightened then these shirmish lines will be depleted and who is to take the remedy that has been provided and the man poisoned by sin dies. Oh sinner! do not hush the least whispering of the Holy Spirit. On one occasion to party were in the Mammoth Cave in Kentucky. Their light

> are two more strands to cuts another strand and still there is one strand that is strong enough to save him if he will but it do it. But now drawing the knife for the third time he cuts the last strand and is

drowned. So with the man who relects the Holy Spirit. He loses his last chance for salvation. Once in this city a man of God was preaching in regard to the sin against the Holy Spirit. A lady in the audience listened and was moved to act but something made her turn away from the entreaty of the Holy Spirit and she took her hymn book and wrote in it, "I'll run the risk." She signed her name and the date. A short time after she was taken violently ill and when hope was gone her friends sent for the man of God and had him pray for her. She told her mother to go and get the hymn book. She did so and the girl turned to the leaf where she had writ ten and her mother read: "I'll run the She died with these words on her lips. The minister afterwards wrote a few stanzas of poetry suggested by the incident. They were as fol lows:

"Send, she cried, in mercy, send; Bring the man of God with speed? Tell him I am near my end; Tell him that his prayers I need

Vainly did the man of God Point her to the Cricified: Vainly whispered in her ear. Christ for every sinner died.

Lost she cried, forever los Every ray of hope is fled: Now too late to count the cost Closed her eyes and she was dead.

A MONSTER ENGINE.

The Loray Mill, of Gastonia, Has the Largest Engine Ever Brought South-Weighs 100,000 Pounds.

Gastonia News. Henry Shury, representing the Coope Corlins Engine Company, of Mt. Vernon, Ohio, is here with Samuel Clark, rigger, and they are putting up at the Loray Mills, the largest engine ever brought to the South. The engine frames each weigh 45,000 pounds each, the cylinders being 64x66. The shaft weighs over 100,000 pounds. The large wheel has a 6-foot face, is 23 feet in diameter, carries 55 ropes and weighs 60 tons. The capacity of the engine is 2,500 horse-power. The engine is shipped on a car with 150,000 pounds capac-ity and the car is supported by 16 wheels. This kind of a car is a novelty in the South. We are informed that such a one has never before been carried over the Southern Railway. Fif-teen car loads have already been un-loaded and five more car loads are to come yet. The boilers are already in their places. The steam drum is 72 feet There were lots of people who were sick and blind and deaf and dumb but they had to remain that way because of the long. Two fire pumps were put in Tuesday, with 500 gallons capacity per minute. With these pumps the entire building can be protected from fire.

> SEVEN YEARS IN BED. "Will wonders ever cease?" inquire the friends of Mhs. L. Pesse, of Law-

al business ability.

Two informal meetings of stockholders have been held during the week, and at these the situation was inquired into to its minutest details. A number of discreet and prudent outside business men, who have reputations for business shility, were called in to advise with those directly interested, and all suggestions were given due consideration.

The financial condition of the mill

all suggestions were given due consideration.

The financial condition of the mill was as outlined by Mr. Ashe. The total indebtedness, including that for machinery, is in the neighborhood of \$76,000 and the book value of the property \$330,000. Machinery debt, amounting to \$40,000, is not pressing. The only infimediate need for money is for the purpose of meeting noies failling due during the next few months, the first one maturing on line 36th Inst. In the aggregate, these notes amount to some \$25,000.

After the financial condition of the mill had been developed clearly, the next step was to effect a reorganization of the directorate. With the acquiescence of the stockholders, Messrs. R. M. Carroll, J. B. Pegram and J. M. Stroup resigned, and exercising its power under the by-laws of the company, the board filled the places of these gentlemen with Messrs. W. R. Carroll, S. L. Miller, W. W. Lewis and M. C. Willis. The new board then cauried out the indicated wish of all concerned by the election of Mr. W. R. Carroll as president and treasurer, vice the late Mr. Ashe.

reorganization completed, new directorate at once considered and All Christian people believe the call to the ministry is the call of the Holy Spirit. On one occasion a party were in the Mammoth straightened then these skirmish hines will be depleted and who is to take their place? The Spirit alone is the interpreter of the Word of God. We can not utter a petition that will be acceptiable to the Lord unless the Spirit indicting the petition.

Now the Church has tried to console herself that these words apply to the unconverted but they do not. Every a passage applies to the Church of God. "Grieve not the Spirit," Quench not the Spirit," are not written to you, fellow sinner. We know that but a moment of time, a point of space removes you sinner. We know that but a moment of time, a point of space removes you sinner. We know that but a moment of time, a point of space removes you sinner. We know that but a moment of time, a point of space removes you sinner. We know that but a moment of time, a point of space removes you sinner. We know that but a moment of time, a point of space removes you sinner. We know that but a moment of time, a point of space removes you sinner. We know that but a moment of time, a point of space removes you sinner. We know that but a moment of time, a point of space removes you sinner. We know that but a moment of time, a point of space removes you sinner. We know that but a moment of time, a point of space removes you sinner. We know that but a moment of time, a point of space removes you sinner. We know that but a moment of time, a point of space removes you sinner. We know that but a moment of time, a point of space removes you sinner. We know that but a moment of time, a point of space removes you sinner. We know that but a moment of time, a point of space removes you sinner. We know that but a moment of time, a point of space removes you sinner. We know that but a moment in the point of time, a point of space removes you shall the sin and the Holy Spirit to save but sit had the present price of cotton and the present price of cotton and the pres decided upon the means whereby the to explain wh

work will be discontinued after a few days for a time; but this is not definitely settled. The possibility that the new management will flud it advisable to management will find it advisable to close the mili down altogether, is con-

sidered to be very slight. ICE FACTORY FOR HICKORY.

It Will be Run in Connection With the Roller Mill—A New Plour Mill Starts Up.

Correspondence of The Observer.

(Hickory, March 22.—An up-to-date ice factory will be operated here by the Hickory Milling Company in connection with its roller mill, whose stock-holders met last evening and decided to install the machinery in time

the summer business.

The Moore Milling Company commenced operations this week. The mill is among our largest manufacturing plants with a capacity of 100 barrels of flour per day. Dr. Moore, of Liledoun, ts principal owner, came over to touch the button,'

After further investgation this norning of the burning of Abernethy & Whitener's livery stable, it was found there were only four horses and a fine Spanish jack perished in the flames, instead of ten horses, as first reported, but the loss will be at least \$3,000. The parties will at once build.

Carpenter's Quo Vadis Company played here last night to one of the largest audiences ever witnessed in Elliott's Opera House. The play is a strong one by clever artists, who are expable of entertaining the most cultured audience. Our people expressed themselves as being greatly pleased. Rev. Dr. J. A. Weston will deliver the address Memorial Day at Statesville, May 10th.

The question of bonding the town is being agitated and discussed since the fire last night. It is thought the neasure will meet the approval of the majority of our citizens. The majority of our merchants have their new spring stocks exhibited ready

for the early trade. The milliners are making great preparations for their penings Gen. Longstreet and wife were among he distinguished guests registered at

the Hickory Inn within the last few days.—Mr. R. W. Curtis, accompanied by his wife, is welcomed back to the fly after a serious illness at Pittsboro.

BUNCO MAN WAS IN LENGTH.

He Told His Arisona Tale There—Perhaps He is the Lincolnton Burgian.

Special to The Observer. Lenoir, March 23 .- A man filling the description of Thompson, the Greensboro bunco-man, was here about a month since. The Arizona tale was the same but his deceased partner then had the name of one of our prominent citizens and hailed from Keysville, Va., and died there last spring. He did not eceive much encouragement here and finding no "brother of his dead partner" he mysteriously disappeared. He impressed our bank people as a proba-ble burglar and preparations have been made to welcome the return of his gang. Perhaps they worked the Lin-coluton burgiary. Photographs of these men may lead to their identification and the fixing of various recent myst orimes upon them.

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-Error. Ordinary tory Negligence. When the facts are dinary care is a que jury to apply found.

Where one near a crossing, letting usual manner, and d track in front of the ning away.

(Absolute Convented (An exception to a case, to convert a de face into a mortgage rule laid down in ! liams, 138 N. C., 470; must be established and circumstances and not "by simple

In such case time i of the contract, and It is that the contract was in

up, the court is present charged the jury that the be "clear and incompatible ides of a purchase, and no doubt that a security w Where a registered deed as a mortgage, it cannot has of a mortgage as to subse notice.

DOWDY vs. WHITE.-No error,

In reply to a letter fr to the price of a tract of take \$75 for it and def make plaintiff a deed at might set." Four days a plaintiff replied by take the land at \$ would in a few days pi bank subject to defen be paid upon the delive Defendant replied in a the abstract of his title "Let me know and I will deed at any time, so you too long." A week later defendant that he was the title and would take the price agreed on; the have the money in hand, fendant to wait on him days. days. Ten days thereafter wrote defendant that he had the money in a bank man defendant could send the the money at any time he enclosed a receipt from Thereupon, defendant way that as it had been a fendant first offered to the price named, the have to excuse de

plaintiff's offer, Held;

1. That this correspond tuted a contract to sell 4 there was a breach there dant. 2. That the corres show that time at the contract.

Strange Story of a Boy S Anderson, S. C., Special, 234,

A startling kidnappi MoGee, whose ance last Octob

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