



A GREAT WORK ACCOMPLISHED.

ate Geologist Holmes Makes His An-nual Report to the Board—New En-terprises Chartered by the Secretary of State—Local Manager of the Singer Sewing Machine Co. Departs —Annual Report of the State School for the Blind—News Notes of the state Cavital. e Capital.

Observer Bureau, 17 West Cabarrus street,

Raleigh, Dec. 17. The State Geological Board held its ernor's office, he being its chairman, and the other members being J. T. Morehead and Henry E. Fries, latter having been appointed the this State Geologist Holmes was the board, and made a full statent of the geological work in North Carolina during the current year. Prof. F. H. Sykes was present and litted his special report, largely overing public highways, and their ents, much having been done along this line. Prof. Holmes and pers against some property he left. Prof. Sykes have been at the St. Louis STATE BLIND SCHOOL. position much of the time. Prof. on the head of one of the greatest

riments of the exposition. November 30th, says a great teal of work has been done in connecvarious counties, giving instructions and advice. In a number of counties in the middle section and the west, and in Naw Hanover, work ommended. has developed in the way of grading

parable damage. The books have filled all the space. The Legislature cer-tainly ought to provide a proper li-The Legislature cerbrary, and ought also to provide a proper building for the historical collection, the State archives and for public documents.

The joint committee which investigated the Auditor and Treasurer did not make any recommendations. The figures which it gave out as to balances, receipts and disbursements, have already been covered by the State Auditor, last week. The report of the committee contained a vast amount of figures, showing the receipts and disbursements for all departments, sub-departments and institutions.

Alpheuc Vaughn, who for some months had been the local manager of the Singer Sewing Machine Company here, has fied from Raleigh, leaving a note to - his young wife, whom he married last year, telling her to get along the best she could, as she would never again see Vaughn left a number of unpaid bills, and creditors secured attachment pa-

The annual report of the State School for the Blind here, issued by Principal John E. Ray, makes a very The report of State Geologist Holmes to the Geological Board, cov-ering the work for the two years anded November 20th, save a great fine showing. There are 334 pupils in the white and colored schools, the there are not only the plind, but the deaf mutes also. The number preswith the good roads movement ent now is the largest on the record. and engineer of the survey, W. L. There are many blind and deaf m, attending these and visiting mutes in the State, who ought to be in the State, -).- ffl y -1sf cshrdluypprovements, to cost \$23,000, are rec-

Judge Purnells of the Federal Court. returned from a visit to Charlotte .- Havana until Jan. 19th. 1905. and to

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LETTER FROM MR. FIFE. To the Editor of The Observer:

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ROCK HILL SOCIALLY. Amelia Pride Club Enterts New Book Club Organized

Correspondence of The Observer. Rock Hill, S. C., Dec. 16.—The Amelia Pride Club was delightfully entertain-ed on Tuesday afternoon by Mrs. J. B. Johnson at her home on East Main street. The course being studied by this club now is an interesting one on the Bible, and on this ground they are the Bible, and on this ground they are able to refute the charge recently made by Bishop Duncan, of this State that he had never heard of a woman's club studying anything of this kind. All men condemn women's clubs in gen-eral just as all men insist that all women wear shoes too small for them. 19. Mrs. Johnson made a most gracious hostess on this occasion, her guests being Mesdames J. G. Steele, W. C. Hutchinson, Emma London, J. E. Mas-sey, D. Hutchinson, J. W. O'Neal, B. M. Ferreil, Miss Emma Roach.

The Ann White chapter U. D. C., held its regular yearly business meeting and election of officers on Saturday afternoon at the home of Mrs. L. A. Flowers. The result of the election was as follows: President, Mrs. J. F. Reid, first vice president, Mrs. R. T. Ferrell, second vice president, Mrs. Kate Ferrell; treasurer, Mrs. T. O. Flowers; historian, Miss Amelia Pride Beckham; recording secretary, Mrs. R. S. Hanna, corresponding secretary, Miss Marie Ferrell. Arrangements were also made for the annual dinner given by this chapter to the veterans of Rock Hill, and the surrounding country. This event is always one of great interest and greatly enjoyed by the sur-viving heroes whom these ladies take the highest delight in honoring.

On last Friday afternoon at the home of Mrs. J. B. Heath on Hampton street, a new book club was formed which will be known as the Friday Afternoon Club. The membership composes the following ladies: Mesdames Ward Al-

bertson, M. C. Wood, J. W. Rawlinson M. H. Sandifer, J. E. Reid, R. T. Fer-rell, Kate Ferrell, J. M. Ivy, D. D. Perry, Green Sandifer, J. B. Heath. . . . Miss Sallie London entertained the

Euchre Club very delightfully on Thursday afternoon at her home on Johnston street. Although a most disagreeable afternoon, the following were present and spent the time most pleasantiy: Mesdames D. D. Perry, Chas. L. Cobb. Sam Friedhim, Misses Elizabeth Lumpkin, Addie Rawlinson, Eliza Willis, Christine Ruff, Minnle Friedhim, Robenia Miller, Strauss Mills, Fannie Wilson, Lillian Massey, Janie Massey, Amelia Pride Beckham,

Last Thursday afternoon Mrs. J. P. Kinard was hostess of the Whist Club at her home on Oakland avenue. The afternoon was a most enjoyable one, the first prize being won by Mrs. W. B. d, as Wilson, Jr., and the consolation by him. Miss Ada A. Bryan. Wilson, Those present were: Miss Claude Godfrey, Mrs. J. C. Witherspoon, Miss

Christine Ruff, Miss Eliza Willis, Miss Janie Massey, Miss Tom Bays, Mrs. W. B. Wilson. Mrs. W. G. Stevens, Misses Mae and Ada O'Bryan, Mrs. Green Sandifer, Mrs. D. D. Perry, Miss Miller, Mrs. Ward Albertson, Mrs. J. M. Ivy, Miss Sallie London, Miss Eliz-

RESERVOIR DYNAMITED?

Salem.

abeth Hale. . . . Miss Agnes Ladson, of Atlanta, is

the guest of Miss Strauss Mills on Park avenue.-Rev. I. A. Moore is here spending the holidays with his mother rate of one first-class fare plus 25 cents on Black street.-Miss Rosa Mae Phil-

Mrs. W. B. Wilson and daughter. Miss vana, Cuba, January, 1905, the South-Margaret Wilson, left on last Friday ern Railway will sell on January 4th for New York. Miss Wilson goes to round trip tickets to Havana, Cuba, at enter Dr. Gill Wyhe's hospifal for rate of one first-class fare plus \$2.00. treatment .- Miss Bettie Raylinson has These tickets good to return leaving

Miss Sarah Was Perturbed. Washington Post.

Who was the policeman who by any stretch of imagination or exercise of telepathy knew that Miss Barah Cle-mentson had a friend in far-off North Carolina who bears the name "Magnolia?"

This was the question Bergeant Car-ter, in charge at headquarters one night recently at the dinner hour, was asked to answer-and answer in a hur-

Miss Sarah Clementson, who was ob viously very much perturbed, almost ran into the detective office and, in an excited voice, demanded to see the chief of police. Informed that he was not in, she wanted to know where he could be found at once. Detective Lacy final-ly drew from her that she wished to have a mystery solved and conducted her to Sergeant Carter's desk.

her to Sergeant Carter's desk. Miss Clementson explained that she had just been in Brookland, and that while walking along the street she en-countered a pollosman. Thinking to pass a pleasantry about the howling bliszard then raging. Miss Clementson said that she bowed to the officer and, with a smile, remarked: "Quite a blustery day, isn't it, Mr. Officer?" Officer?"

She was rendered speechless, so she told Sergeant Carter, when the policeman replied:

"Indeed it is, Wognolia." Miss Clementsca said she did not wish to enter a complaint, and that the only thing she wanted to know was how that policeman knew that she had a friend named Miss Magnolia Tatum, in North Carolina, for she was positive in tracing a connection between the stranger policeman's uterance of her friend's name. Miss Clementson said she was thinking of her friend at the very moment when the policeman spoke.

Promoter Hooley Acquitted and As-sociate Found Guilty.

London. Dec. 17.-After three weeks trial a jury in the Central Criminal Court to day found Ernest Fersh Hooley, whose to-day found Ernest Feren Hooley, whose colossal bankruptcy was the semation of 1898, not guilty, and Henry J. Lawson guilty of obtaining money under islue pretences. Lawson was sentanced to a year's imprisonment at hard labor. Ex-ecution of the sentance of Lawson was postponed to permit an appeal. He was admitted to bail in \$36,000.

A Word About Business.

"As a rule." said a prominent busi-ess man yesterday. "the December ness man yesterday, "the December business is very slight—dropping away from the first of the month. But I find on all sides that this month has been an exception, all traveling men reporting optimistically. But business is virtually done now, so far as the knights of the grip are concerned until after the first of the year."

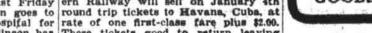
BBEAUTIFUL S. A. L. CALENDARS. Charlotte, N. C., Dec. 17, 1904.

The Seaboard Air Line is issuing the prettiest calendar we have seen this season. They are historical and will ornament any room. These calendars can be secured by sending 25 cents to Mr. C. B. Ryan, G. P. A., S. A. L., Portsmouth, Va.

SPECIAL LOW RATES VIA SOUTH-ERN RAILWAY.

Account of Annual Meeting Southern Educational Association, Jacksonville, Fla., Dec. 29-31, 1904, the Southern Railway will sell tickets to Jacksonville, Fla., and return on Dec. 27th, good to return until Jan. 4th, 1905, at

for the round trip. lips has returned from a short visit for the round trip. to friends in Concord. N. C.-Mr. and Account of Special Excursion to Ha-





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Dr. Pratt, the mineralogist, has pre-pared the reports, one on mining, the other on tin deposits, and the build-United States, and of the 52,000 square miles, about 21,000 have been

n. The United States Bureau of Forest and State Survey had co-operated, having made a careful examination of the mountain forests, and has ione much to arouse sentiment for a nermanent national reserve. The exfination of the forests of the eastern counties is being arranged for, and is soon to be pushed. The oyster surand investigation of the fisheries oyster beds has been continued the government. Legislation is ed to prevent the catching of the shad at the river mouths.

day the dates for the Farmers' Institutes to be held in the northeastcounties were arranged, and are as follows: Warrenton, January 9th; n, 10th; Halifax, 11th; Kinston. Sth; Greenville, 18th; Tarboro, 14th; Washington, 16th; Roper, 17th; Wiln, 18th; Currituck, 19th; Camden, 21st; Elizabeth City, 23rd; Hert-24th: Edenton, 25th; Gatesville, Sith: Winston, 27th; Windsor, 28th. se will be the first institutes for and much is expected of them. The attendance at the institutes this year was so gratifyingly large that RURAL ROUTES.

stmaster Bailey made up to-day his list of rural free delivery post tes in the State, which showed no less than \$27 of these in operation, the inthiy pay-rolls now being about 265.000

City Physician McGehey reports that he to-day discharged the last of the smallpox patients. At one time some s feared there would be an outbreak here, but the disease was ad-mirably handled and never spread at all. In fact, it was very quickly ped out. There are a few cases southern and southeastern rts of the county, but only one death has been reported there.

The State grants a charter to the Wilson Auto Transit Company, capital ck \$100,000, to build all sorts of ve-les, and to operate these on highays in the State, as carriers both of engers and freight. W. D. Young other local people are the stock-ers. The purpose of the company inderstood to be to operate autoin that section, and to have a service both in Wilson and a

Joint Legislative committee to-oncluded the annual examination a offices of the Treasurer and or. Inding everything extremely hept, and paid the officials com-nus for the excellent clerical The committee finished late in the committee make on its rewas taken up and the election resulted as stated above. The Rev. Mr. Miller m, and made up its reo the Los

STATE LIBRARY.

BLATED LIBRARY. a Librarian Sherrill reports 26.-index, an increase in five years r 1600. There are now almost opies of bound newspapers in swapaper room. The library that a five-proof building be unted. The present one is a habby affair are was built by a much wood being used in its ing used in its aper used for d tons more in the big

The following gentlemen were pres-ent at the meeting: Dr. M. G. C. Scherer, the Hon. C. M. Elford, Dr. G. B. Cromer, Newberry: the Rev. Robert C. Holland, of Chartoite; J. E. Cooper, of Winchester, Va.: the Rev. B. F. Krepps, of Augusta; the Rev. W. C. Schaefer, of Savapnah, and the Rev. J. H. Wilson, of Salisbury, N. C.

board yesterday.

Company case that the traffic, that is, Miss Addie Rawlinson has returned reach original starting point not later the shipment of coal, to Greensboro from a visit to friends in Bannberg. over the Southern Railway was intering stone resources of the State have State traffic, and that hence the North investigated by George P. Mor- Carolina Corporation Commission canrell, of the National Museum, and two not regulate it. It is for this reason assistants. The topographic survey that he makes an injunction perpetual of the State has been continued by against the Commission. Market-News Notes of Winston-

The State authorizes the dissolution of the Swansboro Lumber Company. d under direction, of H. M. the stockholders having applied for this.

BEFORE THE RECORDER.

Small and Unimportant Cases Before His Honor at the Police Court.

The recorder dealt with only a small number of cases yesterday afternoon. Clarence Price, of Chico, Texas, was arraigned for being drunk. Price had An investigation has been going on since the finding of the cartridge, but if the officers have any clue they have not re-yealed it to the public. The opinion was entertained himself the night before in his cell by a most eloquent flow of profanity. He knew little about what happened. A colored hack driver aphappened. A colored hack driver ap-peared and said that Price owed him \$3 for a drive about the night before. Price was told to pay the negro \$2 and was let off with the costs. Will Houston, a little, pumpkin head-ed negro, was charged with sleeping in his hack. Policeman Ayers caught

ed negro, was charged with sleeping in his hack. Policeman Ayers caught sented by nome talent at the Elks' audi-torium hat evening, was one of the best things in the nature of an amateur the-atrical performance that has been given here in quite a long time. It is a source for regret that the unsettled condition of the weather kept a large number of peo-ple from being present at this perform-ance, which was given by the termer B him at 5 o'clock yesterday morning deep in slumber. The evidence showed that the boy had worked all the day before and the recorder said he was not to be blamed for sleeping some of the time, and continued judgment. "Mistah H. R. Stewart." a middle-

ance, which was given by the James B. Gordon Chapter, Daughters of the Con-tederacy, for the benefit of the Confed-erate monument fund. Mr. George Crowell, a formar citizen aged darkey, was charged with being drunk, disorderly and using profane language. Witnesses testified that Stewart had only cursed a friend of of Winston-Salem, died in Greensboro Triday morning at the age of about 35 years. The deceased had been in doclining health for several months. The body was his in a friendly way, and the defend-ant was discharged.

ELECTION OF NEW PROFESSOR.

Rev. L. G. M. Miller Chosen as the Successor of Rev. M. G. G. Scherer. Charleston News and Courier, 16th. For the purpose of electing a professor to fill the vacancy in the faculty caused by the resignation of the Rev. M. G. C. Scherer, D. D., who has recently been called to the pastorate at 4 o'clock. of St. Andrew's Lutheran church, and

tors of the Lutheran Seminary at Mt. Pleasant hell a called meeting yester-

day at the Seminary building, and af-

ter considerable discussion the Rev.

sided, and after the usual introduc-

tory exercises the matter of electing a

man to fill the vacancy in the faculty

is well known in this section. It is hoped that he will see fit to accept the

The following gentlemen were pres-

who handed in his resignation some months ago, the same to take effect FREIGHT TRAIN WRECKED. on December 31 the hoard of direc-

Ten Cars Demolished Near Hickory and Traffic Blocked-Accident Due to a Flat Wheel.

to a Flat Wheel. Special to The Observer. Hickory, Dec. 17.—An east-bound freight train this afternoon, which was in charge of Conductor Nat Bost and Engineer Sim Lollar. was derailed three miles east of this city by a flat wheel and ten cars were demolished. The wrock has tied up traffic on this division, holding at this point No. 12, the east-bound passenger train of the Southern, as well as the south-bound passenger train of the Car-olina & Northwestern. It is though the trains will get through about 2 o'clock to-night, as a wrecking row is building a sido-track around the ruins. Fortunate-iy, there was no loss of life nor injury to G. M. Miller, pastor of the leading Latheran church at Roanoke, Vir-ginia, was elected to fill the vacancy. Whether or not the Rev. Mr. Miller will accept the position to which he been elected remains to be seen and no intimation as to his decision was given out by the members of the The meeting was called to order by the Rev. M. G. C. Scherer, who pre-

ly, there was no loss of life nor injury to the train crew.

Miss May Murphy, of Morganton, is with Miss Lottie Caldwell until tomorrow evening, on her way home from a short visit to friends at Clinton, S. C.

NOTICE TO CLERGYMEN IN CHAR-LOTTE AND VICINITY.

Charlotte, N. C., Dec. 17, 1904. Annual clerical permits, reading on Seaboard Air Line, will be issued by Chairman Richardson at Atlanta. Gs. It is necessary that clergymen wishing these permits should call at once and get blank applications, from S. A. Le dity of these

than midnight on Jan. 22nd. Round trip rate from Charlotte, \$41.50. Through Pullman cars Charlotte to Port Tampa. As the space on the steamers between Rumored That a Dynamite Cartridge Port Tampa and Havana is limited, it

Was Found Near a Wrecked Wall will be necessary to make reservations After the Disaster—The Tobacco before tickets are sold. On account of Pan-American Medi-

cal Congress, Panama City, Panama, January 2nd, 1905, round trip tickets Special to The Observer. Winston-Salem, Dec. 17.-The Greens-oro Record published a report a few ays ago to the effect that evidence has will be sold to Panama City, at ex-tremely low rates. Tickets on sale Dec. 26th, with final limit 30 days from been discovered which tends to show that the reservoir disaster in this city early on the morning of November 2nd was caused by dynamite, thrown in by undate of sale. Round trip rate from Charlotte will be \$74.00.

For further information, call on any known parties. I am reliably informed Agent Southern Railway, or write W. H. TAYLOE, G. P. A., Washington, D. C. R. L. VERNON, T. P. A., that a dynamite cartridge was found a few days after the disaster in the rear of Mr. Martin People's lot and that it is now in the possession of a city official

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