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CONCERNING CHINESE AND OTHER IMMIGRATION.

A valued friend, one of the leading business men of the State, writes to express interest in the editorial on "Turning Immigration Southward," which appeared in The Observer of the 19th, and adds:

"One thing is sure, there is not sufficient labor in the South to-day to supply the demand caused by our rapid development. I am almost persuaded that if such a thing could be done, it would be wise for the South to admit the Chinese."

"I am not writing this for publication, but I would like first-rate to see an article from you, or some person better informed than I am on this subject."

A LESSON TO LITIGANTS.

The Cone Export and Commission Company Gives a Sharp Lesson to a Former Customer in Defending an Unjustified Claim.

New York Commercial. A sharp lesson to that class of business men who immediately rush into litigation with those with whom they cannot agree was administered in a New York court recently, when the judge dismissed the suit against the Cone Export and Commission Company, brought by S. Blum & Son, of 404 Boardway, New York city, on the evidence submitted by Blum & Son. The court considered was not even required to introduce any evidence.

"Speaking of Italian Immigration," observed Col. J. C. Mattison, of Charleston, last evening at the Spartan luncheon, "our experience has been not what we hoped for. The Italians who came to this country to work in the phosphate mines were discontented and soon left the place to engage in other lines, all of which are non-agricultural. In my opinion the Italians are not the class that we want. The German, Scottish, Welsh, Scandinavian or French immigrants are all right. The Latin races do not assimilate with us, and they are like the Chinese in our sense, as soon as they make what in their ideas is a competency they return to their native country and become burtons, moguls and counts. The question of immigration is serious and our people do not really appreciate the importance of the matter. The negro is leaving the plantations and his future is uncertain. The cities and towns are full of indigent negroes. They have envenomed the farms. Therefore we must look to a justly race or races to save the washed-out lands and bring the soil back to its heritage. The Italian cannot, and will not do so, as long as bananas and pineapples are for sale and the plaintive wail of the hand-organ can be heard and the 'mook' can hand around the 'hat.'"

South Carolina is, we believe, endeavoring, through its immigration commissioner, to settle Italian immigrants. There are Italian immigrants and like Jeremiah's pigs the good ones very good and the bad very bad. The latter class would be a scourge and of the importation of a very great many of the former we have no great hope. There are foreigners of various nationalities who would make unexpedient citizens, but the only foreigners who come to the country in great numbers who are particularly desirable for Southern settlers are the Scandinavians, and these turn their faces to the Northwest. If, through immigration commissioners, special agents, bureaus of information or otherwise, this tide could not be set southward, our labor troubles would be at an end. Meantime until providence comes in the rescue, we must, we fear, but fair and cheerful dealing, with the colored race, and make the best of a bad situation.

THE RACE QUESTION IN KANSAS.

The race issue has come to the front in Kansas in a manner which evokes the memory of the Washington incident and is very similar to the dinner of the Republican national committee in Washington a year ago, in which the stand taken by National Committee-man W. S. O'Brien resulted in his being practically read out of the organization.

The trouble comes about over an invitation to Prof. Vernon, head of Oklahoma University, a negro educational institution, to respond to a toast at a banquet of the Kansas Day Club, on January 20th. The Kansas Day Club is made up of the Republican leaders of the State and the invitation, of course, embraces all its members. Col. Vernon accepted and, if the dinner comes off, he will be the only colored man to have his feet under the table. Col. W. C. Mosher, a leading and influential citizen, balks and has written a letter of protest to the club, in which he says:

"If you, sir, and your committee desire to associate with negroes, it is your privilege to do so, providing the negroes do not object, but I, with 99 per cent. of the white people of Kansas, am not contented that way, and, while they may not write you in an effort to make that fact penetrate your skull, depend upon it they will feel insulted when any one tries to thus associate the name of the State with a function wherein the savage of Africa is received and mingled on terms of social equality with all. If one negro takes part this time it opens the door to others. The next annual event will find more on the list of invited guests. The next thing you will know some crank of this kind will be bringing a negro into a white man's parlor to a social gathering."

Against Col. Mosher's attitude the other Republican leaders present a solid front, taking the stand that if Vernon, who stumped the State for the party in the late campaign, is good enough to work for the party, he is good enough to eat with it. Col. Vernon is discreetly silent.

A GROWING TOWN, AND WHY.

The prime reason for Charlotte's continuous going forward is the diversification of its interests, manufacturing and other. There is a popular impression that it is merely a cotton mill centre. Nothing could be more erroneous. Legions of things are going on here, some on a large scale, others on a smaller, but all paying good wages and contributing to the growth and wealth of the community. The latest projected enterprise is a handkerchief factory. It may not be an enormous institution at first—300 dozen of handkerchiefs per day—but the most successful enterprises, here and elsewhere, have small beginnings. Not only in manufacturing but in other lines, a great variety of interests are represented here. Every few days a new sign appears in the window of an office building or elsewhere. The city is rapidly becoming a headquarters of the seat of a distinct agency for an immense diversity of businesses. Charlotte people, who, a few years ago, knew everybody here, have entirely lost the run of the population; the best informed have no idea of all the things that are going on right around them. If there are those away from here who think of making their homes and establishing business in Charlotte, they would do well to come before property gets high, for this is a growing town and is destined to be a big one.

SMALL FIRE AT GREENSBORO.

Blaze in a Restaurant Threatens Other Property—Building at Wilkes Institute Burns—Notable Reunion of Three Prominent Men.

Special to The Observer. Greensboro, Dec. 15.—A fire at the restaurant at Greenboro, just south of the Wilmington Hotel, last night, destroyed a wholesale fruit store, on South Elm street, this morning at 5 o'clock, threatened for a time the destruction of a splendid business block. The fire companies quickly responded. Although the entire first floor was ablaze, water was plentiful, the response prompt and the flames were subdued. The loss to Mr. Hart was his entire stock, amounting to about \$300, and \$26 cash, which was damaged, but this belonged to Mr. Percy Albright, of Wilmington, and is covered by insurance.

The family of Mr. Hart was sleeping on the second story. The firemen rescued the ladies from the front window. The ladies were perfectly cool, until their naked feet touched the snow-covered street, when they lost their nerve and went into hysterics. News reached here to-day of the burning of the Wilkes Institute, a two-story frame building used as the musical department. The building was the first one erected there for the school. But few particulars are had, but it is said that several pianos were consumed, the loss on the building and musical instruments being covered by insurance.

There will be a notable reunion here next Thursday night at Wilkes Institute of three notable men and near kinsmen. Major Joseph M. Morehead, of Greensboro, president of the Guilford Battle Ground Company, has invited his cousin, Major Turner Morehead, of New York, and Col. Jim Hobson, of Alabama, to break bread with him. It is all arranged for next Thursday, and Major Turner Morehead arrived from New York Saturday night, spending yesterday here and leaving to-day for Danville, to return in time for the formal reunion. Colonel Hobson, who is the father of the late Richmond Pearson Hobson, will arrive Wednesday night on his way to visit his old home in Davis county. Years ago these three were not only classmates, but room-mates at the State University; later in war, each earned a title for brave and heroic service, and in the ways of peace ever since have won distinction in law, finance and public life.

Major Turner Morehead has been a judge, Major Turner Morehead one of the most progressive financiers, first in North Carolina, now in New York, while Major Joseph Morehead has been a prominent and devoted student of Revolutionary history, a protector of North Carolina's honor in that struggle and a promoter of the interests and the glory of the battle of Guilford Court House.

The regular two-weeks' December term of Guilford Superior Court for the trial of civil cases adjourned to-day at 10 o'clock for a month, after holding one week. The only work this morning was the signing of several judgments of compromise and the settlement of a number of cases which the jury had rendered Saturday in the case of U. C. Richardson & Co., of High Point, against the Insurance Company of North America. The judge charged the jury that if they believed the evidence, the defendants were not liable, but the jury returned a verdict of \$200 in favor of the plaintiffs. No there will be a new trial in this case, which consumed two days of last week. Judge Bryan will leave for his home at Newbern to-morrow. Although but two or three cases have been tried at this term, it is said that at least fifty have been compromised or settled.

There are now over four hundred cases on the civil issue docket, and a special term to begin January 2nd has been called, to last a month or more, with Judge Shaw presiding. There will be an intermission of one week in this special term, as on January 18th a one-day term of court of court of criminal cases. Judge Allen, presiding, will be due. There is some comment here over 60 many special terms of court being called, when the regular terms are invariably curtailed.

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FIRE SETS, coal vases, silver-plated tableware make desirable gifts. Weddington Hardware Co.

HOUSE COATS, ETC., at 20 per cent off lowest prices these goods ever sold in Charlotte. Little-Long Co.

FOR SALE—A very desirable home on North Elm street. Good locality. Jas. L. DeLaney, Piedmont Building.

TEN CASES OF ROLLED OATS—\$2 per case. Jno. B. Ross & Co., S. College St.

LOST—A gold pin with Confederate flag. Reward if returned to 5 West Morehead.

THREE CASES OF PICKLES at 75 per cent off their value. Jno. B. Ross & Co., S. College street.

SEE OUR GREAT BOOK VALUES—Many \$1.00 books \$1.15. Stone & Barringer Co.

BRANNON will save you 40 to 50 per cent on your Christmas shopping.

"VIOLETS," by L. E. Avery. Price \$1.00. Stone & Barringer Co.

STERLING SILVER Traveling Cases, brushes, military brushes, at Brannon's Drug Store.

CHARLOTTE Souvenir Paper Weights, 15 to 20 cents. Stone & Barringer Co.

SMALL QUANTITY of desirable canned goods at cost. Jno. B. Ross & Co., S. College.

VERY FINE CIGARS in boxes of 12 and 25 at \$1.00 and \$2.00 per box, at Brannon's Drug Store.

VICTOR TALKING MACHINES and Columbia phonographs. Stone & Barringer Co.

WANTED QUICK—Buyer for good second-hand steel ranges (Buck's). Used six months. A bargain. 219 West Eighth.

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folks at home at the Weddington Hardware Co's.

ANOTHER BIG LOT sample ladies' cloaks at 1/2 price.

WANTED—Fifteen sales ladies at once. S. H. Kross & Co., 5 and 10 and 20 store.

WE HAVE NO TOYS—The nicest store to do your shopping in. Ivey's.

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ALL FURNITURE FOR GIFTS at lowest prices. W. T. McCoy.

RELIGIOUS PAMPHLETS sent free on application to K. L. Weaver, 37 Chester Ave., Brooklyn, Mass.

FOR RENT—Six-room house; modern conveniences. Apply 214 W. Tenth St.

CRANBERRIES in quarts, bushel or barrel lots at cut prices; best pound cake, etc.; best fruit cake; fresh white cake. Bridgers & Co.

A WEALTHY and attractive maiden wants without delay kind husband to relieve her of business cares. No objections to honorable, capable poor man. Address Cook, 67 Flournoy, Chicago.

WANTED—Position by competent lady (widow). Good references. Just. Address "M." care Charlotte Observer.

OUR STORE will be open evenings during the holidays. The Long-Ten Clothing Co.

THE FINEST PIPES in town. Make acceptable gifts for a man. Charlotte Cigar Co.

LOST DOG—White setter with black head, black spot on tail; female, small, has on leather collar. Reward if returned to Observer office.

WANTED AT ONCE—First-class white barber; salary \$15 per week. Address 2 N. Tryon St., Charlotte, N. C. J. Pressley.

LOST—Fair dog. Reward if returned to Frank Hoover or Observer office.

HOUSEKEEPERS—Don't forget the sale of Christmas cakes and home-made candy Friday at Sileff's Music House. Sale begins at 9:30. You will find all kinds of from grandmother's ginger bread to pound and fruit cake.

A BOX of Cooke's Bouquet Cigars is just the thing to give your husband or gentleman friend. Charlotte Cigar Co.

JORDAN offers many inducements to Christmas shoppers.

LOTS OF DESIRABLE GIFTS for the PERCY family. Just the thing at Mayer's, Druggist, 'Phone 22, Sixth and Tryon.

A PIANOLA is just the thing for the whole family. You will be delighted with your purchase. Parker-Gardner Co.

FOR YOUR WIFE OR DAUGHTER—Come here and get them a fine dresser, individual desk, book case or cheval mirror. Parker-Gardner Co.

COSTUMERS: Hat Racks, Brass Lamps, Photographs and Pictures. Just the thing for a gift. Prices low. Parker-Gardner Co.

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WANTED—Reliable person in each locality for business position. Salary \$20.00 weekly and expenses. Expense money advanced. Position permanent. Previous experience unnecessary. Business established. Address Mr. Cooper, Como Block, Chicago.

FOR THE CHILDREN—Buy them here a nice rocker, dressing table, chiffonier or brass and white enamel bed. Our stock is large. Parker-Gardner Co.

FOR FANCY CANDIES go to Mayer's, Druggist, 'Phone 22, Sixth and Tryon.

SHE WOULD APPRECIATE a box of candy or a nice bottle of perfume. Mayer has them. 'Phone 22, Sixth and Tryon.

\$20.00 AND EXPENSES paid weekly to a reliable man to travel and collect in North Carolina. Experience not necessary. Self-addressed envelope for reply. Address Dept. L, 12 Dearborn St., Chicago.

GIVE HIM A BOX OF NICE CIGARS—Get them at Mayer's, Druggist, 'Phone 22, Sixth and Tryon.

FOR SALE—Two mules, wagon and harness, one good family horse, two cows; also farming implements. 'Phone 24-3.

WE WILL BE GLAD to help you select a present. Mayer, Druggist, 'Phone 22, Sixth and Tryon Sts.

WANTED—Position by experienced stenographer first of year. Address Miss M. C. Observer.

LARGE STOCK of carpets and rugs, including handsome and useful gifts. Parker-Gardner Co.

THE FINEST CIGARS for the holiday trade. Gem Restaurant.

FOR RENT—Furnished first floor flat. Renting has two rooms and good bath. Possession at once. Apply Mrs. Jaa. A. Dorritee, Dilworth.

FOR SALE—Horse and buggy. See Mr. Ross, Cochrane's tables.

THE OBSERVER is offering a year's subscription for the best written carriers' address to be used Christmas day as a greeting from the carrier boys of the paper. Contributions must be in copy no later than the 26th instant. There are no restrictions as to number of verses.

WE DELIVER your Christmas packages. Charge reasonable. A. D. T. Telephone 6.

FOR SALE—Several fine lots on North Pine street, and on W. Twelfth street. Hugh W. Harris.

FOR SALE

Ten-room furnished home, with cellar, situated on car line, Boulevard and Lindhurst avenue, Dilworth. Comfortably furnished, handsomely finished. Water, gas and electric light, heated by hot water. Out-house for servants. A corner lot, 100 feet front by 150 feet deep. Most desirable property for family wanting a home. Furniture not included if desired. For terms, apply to MECKLENBURG IRON WORKS.

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All kinds of Painting and Finishing "Period" decoration a specialty. Wall Paper from 5 cents to \$50.00 per roll. Estimates and designs furnished out-of-town customers on application. Japanese, French, English and Domestic Papers. CHARLOTTE FURNISHING & DECORATING AGENCY.

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with your plumbing you can overcome same by letting us do your work. We only employ competent plumbers, and all work is guaranteed. Call and see us and let us show you our stock of Bath Tubs, Closets and Lavatories, Gas Fixtures, etc., and submit prices. 'Phone 248.

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MY NEW DISTILLERY

This distillery was built and started in operation last February, surveyed capacity 38 bushels, 13 chambered Cantinears still; will work 150 bushels per day; all new; now in operation daily in Salisbury, N. C. I mean business; will include teams and connections. Reason for offering to sell is my health. Bargain to purchaser.

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THIS MONTH It will keep off the blues when only water is plentiful. C. VALAER BOTTLING WORKS.

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Special instruction in piano and vocal lessons. Latest and best methods used. Pupils learn to read at sight. W. H. OVERCASH, Studio 605 South Tryon Street.

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And why shouldn't the universe unite in this annual celebration of the most eventful occasion of the world's history? We shall do our best to make this part of the world happy Christmas Day. We've brought to the front a display of holiday goods without a parallel. It is all a marvelous exhibition, an exceptionally fine showing of presents for children, women and men—a collection of gifts incomparable in this section of country.

No matter to whom you wish to make a present, or what price you wish to pay you'll surely find it here. There's Toys—emphatically the greatest show for the amusement of the little people at home ever brought together in Charlotte. And there are substantial lines of those of more mature age. In fact all ages have been considered and all classes of gift-hunters have been remembered. You'll not pay too much for your gifts here. We'll save you money. We had an eye in this direction when we selected our Christmas stock. We made a contract with Old Kris Kringle in the year to supply his wants, and we shall live up to the contract in the most business-like manner.

Brilliant Assemblage of Jewelry and Novelties for the Holiday Trade.

Our Jewelry Department has been enhanced, most bountifully supplied with special lines of gold and silver novelties, watches, clocks, silverware, etc.—goods that we have just opened up for the holiday trade. This gorgeous display is void of trash, of poorly constructed articles. It is a representation of the best there is in this particular line, and all these favorite attractions for the Xmas trade are selling at a marked saving in price.

Petter's Milk Chocolate, the finest on the market, 5, 10 and 20c. cakes.

Our Candy Department is the Best Equipped in the City. The Finest Candies at 10 and 20c per Pound.

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