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WEDNESDAY, FEBRUARY 7, 1906.

The signs of the times point to a lively time in South Carolina next tion in an effort to stem the tide that so strongly set in against his pet scheme, According to a Washington dispatch, the Senator is very much displeased with the action of the present Legislature, and gives it as his opinion that the members appear to be emulating their predecessors who were elected in 1890 and have since been known as the "driftwood Legislature." Taking the vote in the House on a straight prohibition bill as a substitute for the Morgan measure, abolishing the State dispensary as a basis, Senator Tillman concludes that there are twenty-one prohibition Representa-These twenty-one "conscien-God-fearing gentlemen have voted for a license provision permitshops in that city and this is done evi-

first agreement was to have wholesale liquor dealers in Charleston as well as retail, but that frightened the leaders of this conspiracy against the dispensary and the wholesale proviton's nine votes the Morgan bill would have been defeated by a majority of two dirty bargain between the old bar-room one prohibitionists. I think it is a very text upon which to preach some good honest politics next summer and if my health continues as good as it is now, I shall certainly feel called upon to oppose that and a great many other shortcomings and mysterious transactions that have been transpiring in the Legis-

dently in carrying out a bargain to

get Charleston's vote to kill the State

dispensary." Continuing, the Senator

door of the dispensary, Mr. Tillman's The Movement of a Number of Peocharge of a bargain on the part of those who would abolish it are rather The Semator contends that the inismanagement of the State dispencary was due to the directors named by the Legislature, and asks: "Do these gentlemen in the Legislature magine the people are all fools and that they will not next summer hold several hundred thousand dollars' worth of property" This indicates his efforts to stem the tide against the

ing to indicate that he is in any danger

of defeat, but his pet liquor-selling

scheme is undoubtedly on its last legs.

Circuit Court of Appeals yesterday in the case of William E. Breese, president of the defunct First National Bank of Asheville, disposes of a case that has become famous by reason of the amount of money involved in the alleged defaichtion and the stubborn nght made on both sides. The case has been to the courts for a number of years, the last trial being held in Charlotte about a year and a half ago. The decision was based solely on a technicality, the fact that two members of the grand jury had tailed to pay their taxes, as required by law, serving as ground for reversing the reedlet. Breeze had been sentenced to serve seven years in the Federal prison at Atlanta, and has since the trial to Charlotte been under bond pending the decision of the Circuit Court. This doubtless ends the Pirst National Bank of Asheville cases, as the nt against J. E. Dickerson, by the same jury which acted latter's case. Both cases

Mayor McClellan was responsible for HE DIDN'T WRITE MISS PAULINE. the turning down of Jerome by Tam-many. If so, the mayor has no reason to regret his action, although the Tammany candidate was defeated.

The Jacksonville, Fla., Times-Union has followed close the example of The Augusta, Ga., Chronicle and numerous other Southern printing houses and. declared that it will hereafter conduct an open shop. At this rate, it won't be long until a closed or union print shop will be a rarity.

Coin Harvey is again heard from. The Birmingham Age-Herald says he is making money by running a hotel in the Ozarks. The Hon. Marion Butler is raking in the shekels via the Kansas oil gushers, and the rest of the crowd are all endeavoring to become in some cases. How the friends of the masses have fallen!

The Equitable Life Assurance Society has decided to accept no new business in Russia after March 8, owing to the disturbed conditions there. It is stated that 6 per cent, of the deaths among the Equitable clients in Russia were directly due to the disorders. This goes to show that the disorders in the Czar's domains have

Seven men have been arrested at Barnwell, S. C., on the charge of participating in the lynching of two negroes there recently. The act of the mob way unusually hasty and uncalled-for, and it is said that those put to death were really not the men who Pauline Webster to sign her rights committed the crime Governor Heviff of Barnwell county seem determined to enforce the law against lynching, and while it is unlikely that work upon her in that way. Pauline any convictions will be secured, the arrest and trial of these men will have prostration since her arrest and is a good effect.

at the White House, which takes place it Saturday week, are progressing, Congressman Longworth has selected his all right but their secretiveness has an Thomas Nelson Perkins, of Boston, that you will see that she is treated member of the Harvard corporation, fairly and honestly. She is one of the and a lawyer. Among the ushers are finest characters I have ever met. and Theodore Roosevelt, Jr., son of the President. It is stated that "with the father of the bride-elect, a Harvard man; the groom, his best man, and nearly all the ushers from the same in- yours of the 25th, I beg to say that I stitution, the wedding will partake to am not a prosecuting attorney nor do a large extent of the nature of a Har- we have such officials in South Carolivard College affair."

to The Charleston Sunday News, de- Webster, she has an interest in some prohibit the passing of Sunday trains brother. I do not know its value but losses. The correspondent contends Legislature until February 17th and sion was struck out. Without Charles that Sunday trains are wicked, and in cannot leave here to attend to Miss response to this The Sunday News re- Webster's claim. After that date, if marks: "But if all Sunday trains were Miss Webster so wishes, I will take the "squeicher," to be sure. But, seriouslaws protect the truck-growers even if Virginia passes the proposed law?

PERSONAL

ple, Visitors and Others. John W. Stiles, formerly of this out now of Atlanta, Ga., is here for

Prof. Neal A. Ranson, principal of the Pleasant Hill Academy, in Henderson county, has arrived in the city, his school having closed last Friday. He will leave this evening for New Concord, Ohio, where he will take some work in Muskingum College.

Among the out-of-town people here year.

terday were Messrs. J. A. Skipwith, E. C. Barnhardt and L. R. Stricker, of Concord. Mr. R. C. Sittings, of Wilmington, was a visitor in the city yesterday, stoying at

the Huford. Mr. James Osborne, a law student at State University, at Chapel Hill, is noting a few days in the city, mong the guests at the Central yester-was Mr. C. H. Whiteheart, of

Mr. John A. Boyden, of Salisbury, is Mr. W. R. Tallaterro left last night for New York on business. Mr. S. A. Grier, of Salisbury, was registered at the Central last might. Mr. W. C. Cochran, of Greensboro, is among the out-of-town people here to-

day.
Col. A. L. Smith is spending to-day at Greensboro on business.

Mr. J. H. Quinn. of Shelby, is in the city, being a guest at the Buford.

Judge Pritchard Writes Important Decision, Special to The Observer.

Richmond, Va., Feb. 6 - The important opinion case of this court will be decided by Judge Pritchard, who wrote the opinion. This is the Greenbrier Coal and Coke Company vs the Norfolk & Western Rallway Company, being a mandamus case against the railway for discrimination in the distribution of ts cars.

A Big Yield of Cotton.

Among the largest yields of cotton in this county was that from a 19-acre field belonging to Mr. Hugh Asheraft, just south of the city. Mr. Asheraft has had 18 bakes of the staple picked and ginned from the 10 acres.

A 28-acre field belonging to Mr. H. G. Marsh, adjoining that of Mr. Asheraft, produced 44 bales. Both pieces of land are included in the old Shipes. craft, produced 44 bales. Both pieces of land are included in the old diliver tract, just beyond the plant of the Southern Cotton Oil Company.

STATEMENT BY MR. OTTS

orrespondence of The Gaffney, S. C., Feb. 5.-Mr. J. C. Otts, whose telegram to your correspondent relative to the Pauline Webster affair was published in the press of yesterday, arrived in the city of yesterday, arrived in the city Saturday night and was seen to-day. He stated that his telegram had covered most of the ground as far was concerned regarding the matter of attorneys in Gaffney communicating with Pauline Webster. He reflerated the telegram saying that his letter had been in response to one from Mrs. Taggart and that he had wired no one but your correspondent in regard to the matter. He gave a copy of the letter he received from Mrs. Taggart with the request that it be published. He also millionaires and even trust magnates, quest that it be published. As millionaires and even trust magnates, furnished a statement for publication showing his position in the matter as follows: "J. C. Otts did not communicate with Miss Webster by wire or otherwise. His message was in reply to one your correspondent sent him. It was addressed to him at Gaffney and sent to him from Spartanburg. I have had nothing to do with seeking Miss Webster's case nor do I practice law or seek practice that way. have been retained to assist the State in the prosecution of George Hasty for the killing of two theatrical mer at Gaffney on December 15th, 1905. Such fact seems to have been sent out to the press from New York, as I have received inquiries addressed to Otts, prosecuting attorney and district attorney, which probably accounts for Mrs. Taggart's writing me The letter is as follows:

> "Dear Sir:-To-day two men came from your vicinity and tried to get away to property in that neighborwere very secretive, and tried to get her signature. They professed that they were Masons and endeavored to has been upon the verge of nervous mentally not capable of attending to business. I have been persuading her to go home, and after finding out the market value of her property, to sell if she likes. These efforts Messrs. Turner and Bridmore may all right but their secretiveness has an air of suspicion. If Pauline's affairs come under your jurisdiction I hope come under-your jurisdiction I hope "Yours very truly, (Signed) MRS. ANNA W. TAGGART,

Police Matron.' replied to this letter as follows:

"Mrs. Anna W. Taggart, Kansas City, Mo., Dear Madam:-In reply to na. If the woman is Miss Webster. which I doubt, her interest will be protected by the civil courts and not A citizen of Florence, S. C., writes the criminal courts. If she is Miss estate in Gaffney by deceased would estimate it at from \$4,000 to \$5,000. I may say that I will be here forwarded to me here. My Columbia address is Wright's Hotel.

On January 27th, a prominent gentleman of Gaffney, who is a friend of ly, would not the inter-State commerce Mr. Walters, the gentleman who sesas City, received a letter from Mr. Walters asking him to recommend a reliable attorney to protect Miss Web-This gentleman recommended by Mr. Otts. This letter is recorder. typewritten, four long pages, giving a statement of the offers to buy Miss. Webster's interests by different parties; that she was without funds, under the care of a physician, and wished to come to Gaffney as soon as she is able to travel. Mr. Walters is well known in Gaffney and resided here when Miss Webster did. I answered her letter from Columbia, and have no copy of that answer as I wrote it at my desk during a sitting of the Legislature. I stated that, if Miss Webster desired, I would protect her interests and when she is able to Mr. H. E. Jenkins, of winston-sales, spent yesterday in the city.

Mr. P. D. Gold, Jr., of Greensboro, spent yesterday in the city on business, staying at the Buford.

Mr. S. W. Carwile, of King's Mountain, spent yesterday in the city, being a guest of the buford. travel, that I would see she gets a letter and that may be why the misleading press reports have gone out from Kansas City. I left Columbia Saturday and, at that time, had recaived no letter from Miss Webster. Greenshoro.
Mr. L. J. Hayworth, of High Point,
spent yesterday in Charlotte.
Among the visitors here yesterday was
Mr. E. B. Mobley, of Heath Springs, who
was a guest at the Buford.
Mr. J. W. Woodlum, of Gastonia, was
in the city yesterday.
Mr. J. L. Sexton left last night on a
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letters or other communications on my part with anyone in Kansas City. If the press reports from Kansas City. stating that Miss Webster has entrust ed her claim to me are true, it is due to the recommendation on the part of Mr. Walters' friend in Gaffaey, who recommended me to Mr. Walters. I do not know Mr. Walters or anyone else in Kansas City and probably it is spending to-day in the city.

Mr. A. J. Bagley, of Lincolnton, was registered at the Buford last night.

Mr. W. R. Tallaterro left last night for New York on husiness.

Collection with the Hasty case that caused Mrs. Taggart to write me. I regret very much the necessity of I regret very much the necessity of discussing a professional matter in the press but in view of the press reports and other matters in the papers I feel that this statement is due the public

and myself as an attorney." Mr. Otts was very much vexed at the head which appears on the article appearing in Sunday's State from here, quoting his telegram to your correspondent, he wished it understood that the only wire he had sent in connection with the matter at all was this one to your correspondent, at Gaffney, which telegram was sent from Spartanburg.

Annual Meeting Southern Fair Circuit.

Nashville, Tenn., Feb. 6.—The annual meeting of the Southern Fair Circuit was held here to-day. N. C. Collier, of Murfreesboro, Tenn., was re-elected president, and R. M. Williams, of Nashville, secretary. Delegates were here from Tennossees, Kentucky. Alabama. Georgia and Florida. Another meeting will be held here on February 27, when dates for the coming season will be sectored. liams, of Nushville, secretary. Delegates were here from Tennessee, Kentucky, Alabama, Georgia and Florida. Another meeting will be held here on February 27, when dates for the coming season will be selected. Bowling Green, Ky., Florence, Ala., Chattanoogis, Teim, and Athens, Ga., were dropped from the circuit.

Kreley is the Grandest Institute of All the Ages—A Drankard Pitteen Years, Doomed to Extitute and Eleman Destruction

Being a graduate of Keeley, the grandelst institution the world has ever known, I white for the benefit of fallen humanity. More than two years ago I was taken by my brothers and started for your institution, without one ray of hope of ever being cured of the habit of strong drink, for I had not known what it was to be sober for lifteen years; and I had come to the sad point that I had no control over my appetite, and felt that I was doomed to sarthly misery and eternal destruction. My liverhad become so enlarged I could scarcely breaths. Through the pleadings of an aged mother and a devoted, ings of an aged mother and a devoted, heartbroken wife, I went to your In-stitute. I was met by the manager and physician, and was made to feel at home from the first. Never was there a more kind, generous hearted set of men, trying each day to spread sunshine in your way, giving every comfort possible. The accommodations were all that could be asked for, and I can truthfully say I believe the treatment to be the grandest thing of the 19th and other centuries. When I came home and was thrown When I came home and was thrown with my old associates, notwith-standing their persuasions and all the temptations thrown in my way. it has never been one particle of temptation to me since the day I left there. I have no desire for it at any ime. I know that I am cured of the thirst for all strong drink. I feel that I am indebted to the Keeley Inwill say to one and all who drink whiskey, go to Keeley without fail. Rich Square, N. C., Nov. 16, 1904.

If you have a friend who might be benefitted, please send names to the Keeley Institute, Greensboro, N. C.

Few Minor Happenings in and About the City.

-Mr. Frank W. Ross is confined home with a severe case of grip. -Mr. J. P. Long has accepted a position with the Charlotte Realty Company.

-The Home Mission and Pastor's Ald Society of the Second Presbyterian church will meet at the church this morning at 10:30 o'clock.

—On account of the lack of a quorum there was no meeting of the board of school commissioners last night. The next meeting will be held the first Tues-day night in March. Rev. Dr. W. W. Bays delivered his excellent lecture on "Woman" at Brevard Street Methodist church, last evening. A pretty good audience was present and the lecture was much enjoyed.

-Mr. A. Wunstorf. superintendent of agencies in North and South Carolina for the Modern Puritians, has just opened new agencies at Asheville. Waynesville, Winston-Salem and Greenville, S. C.

The cold wave arrived early yester-day morning, before dawn. There was little sunshine yesterday and the air was so biting that pedestrians wrapped their coats snugly as they hurried about the

Powell yesterday issued license for the marriage of Mr. W. C. Lester, of Salisbury, and Miss Mary White, of Charlotte. The weeding took place in the evening. -The funeral of Mr. T. K. Samuels was conducted at the Sharon Presby-

o'clock by the pastor, Rev. W. H. Davis. The interment was made in the ceme-tery in the rear of the church. The W. K. Byrum place in Berryhill township, containing several hundred acres, has been purchased by Mr. Sam Porter, of the same neighborhood, the deal having been completed several days ago. The consideration was not made public.

—Jim Clark, the negro who so severely cut John Dulin with a razor Monday night, was arrested late yesterday afternoon by Officer T. M. Christenberry in Dulstown. He is now in the police station walting his appearance before the

The patrons of the three street car lines extending out East avenue are very much gratified that the 4C's have changed the rule made more than a year ago making all cars stop on the west and scuth side of the square. The cars going east now stop on the east side of the

-The receipts at the city cotton plat-form yesterday were seven bales and the best price paid for the staple was 11 cents. The receipts for the corresponding date of last year were 13 bales and the best price at that time was 7.50 cents a pound. The price advanced a quarter of a cent a pound yesterday a year ago. of a cent a pound yesterday a year ago.

Beginning Monday, Mr. C. L. Boyte, a well-known caterer, will work for the Denny. He will cater for the luncheons and banquets of the city and the surrounding country. For several years Mr. Boyte has been catering for such hotels as the Wheeler, at Hendersonville, and the Columbia, at Columbia, S. C. He has had enough experience to be capable.

had enough experience to be capable.

-Prof. J. G. Baird will hold the competitive examination for applicants for the appointment to the United States Naval Academy, at Annapolis, Md., from this district, at Prof. B. J. Cochran's office at the court house, this morning, beginning at 9:30 o'clock. The appointment will be made by Congressman E. Y. Webb as soon as it is determined who the successful applicant is.

AGGRAVATED ASSAULT.

Spartanburg Man Before Court on Charge of Kissing and Hugging Woman and Making Improper Proposals to Her.

pecial to The Observer. Spartanburg, S. C., Feb. 6 .-- An aggravated assault, kissing and hugging Mrs Ida Greenway and making an improper proposal to her, are the charges against on the man against whom the charges are made and he is now enjoying liberty on hail to appear before Magistrate Kirby for a preliminary hearing next Tuesday. The warrant alleges that last Tuesday, as Mrs. Greenway and Israel were returning in a busgy from a visit to a meighbor's home the man threw his arms about her and kissed her several times. On this occasion the warrant alleges that the improper proposal was made to Mrs. Greenway by Israel. The man who stands with the charges against him lives in the Lolo section of the county and is a relative of the woman's husband. He is firm in his deniel of the charge against him and declares that at the proper time he will produce the evidence that will acquit him of the charges. made and he is now enjoying liberty on

Pleasant, died at his home of passing He had been sick only a few days, was 33 years of age and a sm of his has has been found the has small found the has seen the has seen the has been the has had had a member of the Methodiat church had had d no felt tuneral services will be conducted in head to indeed a loss to Cabarrus court felt tuneral services will be conducted.

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PEOPLE'S COLUMN

WANTED—To buy car-load of hor and mules, will be at W. G. Ross & C. stables, Friday, February the 9th. I v be glad to look at anything you u have. W. W. Smoak.

WANTED-At once, two first-class pants makers. The Tate-Brown Co. WANTED — Position by experienced stenographer. Address Miss N., care Observer.

WANTED—By competent young man position as book-keeper or assistant; A-1 references; will begin on small salary. J. A. D., care Observer,

WANTED—Position as assistant book keeper; stenographer or office helper three years experience; good reference "H," care Observer.

WANTED-A good white barber; good salary to the right man. It may pay you to write me. C. F., Griffin, Goldsboro, N. C.

WANTED—First-class book-keeper as assistant and general office man; must be accurate, of neat appearance and good penman; apply by letter in own handwriting, giving references and salary desired. Address George, care Observer.

WANTED—Couple or two gentlemen for room and board; vacancy February 15th; references required. No. 605 East

WANTED — A second-hald saw-mill, planer, and lath-saw, if in good condition and at reasonable figures. Address H. L. S., Box 24, Davidson, N. C.

WANTED—At once a reliable druggist fine position for a good man. Box 8 Gastonia, N. C. wanted—Straw and shucks—we want several hundred tons of straw and shucks at once. Tar River Mattress Co., Louisburg, N. C.

WANTED-Two good second-hand draw-ing frames, 6 deliveries each, 10 or 12-inch collets. The Newton Cotton Mills, Newton, N. C.

WANTED—Drug cierks to prepare for North Carolina Pharmacy Examination in June. Quiz begins in March. Correl-pond with, "Chemist," Box 406, Greens-boro, N. C.

WANTED—For U. S. Army, able-bodied, unmarried men, between ages of 21 and 35, citizens of United States, of good character and temperate habits, who can speak, read and write English. For information apply to recruiting officer. Is West Trade street, Charlotte, N. C.; 49 Patton avenue, Asheville, N. C.; Kendall Building, Columbia, S. C.; Bank Building, Hickory, N. C., or Glenn Building, Spartanburg, S. C.

JEWELER WANTED—Good opening in Waxnaw for experienced jeweler. For particulars write Postmaster, Maxhaw, N. C.

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er, Blind Machinery, Shafting, Pullies
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Second street.

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SEALED BIDS WILL BE received until noon Thursday, March 1st, 1996, for remodeling the First Baptist church, at Raleigh, N. C.; bond required; plans can be seen at the office of the architect. Chas. W. Barrett, Raleigh, N. C. John E. Ray, chafrman building committee. I'M LEAVING Charlotte; offer for sale my elegant, modern home. Elis Heights, S. R. Jacobs, 'Phone 592.

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e Little-Jone Co.

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> > No piece of Table Linen will be cut that contains four yards or less.

Notion Department

Just received a new line of Ladies' Wrist Bags and purses, all the latest styles, and prices

Side Combs at25c and 50c per pair

Back Combs with gilt trimming at 50c each

One lot of Dress Shields, special price per pr. 10c

A new lot of Sofa Pillow Tops, assorted de-

signs, at 25c and 50c each

Black Rubber Dressing Combs at.....

Canfield's Dress Shields, size 2 and 3, at 25c and 30c per pair

The Little-Long Con