PLUMBERS' TRUST'S GRASP

THE UNION'S WORK AT COLUMBIA Expelled From Master Plumbers' Association, Mr. L. L. Browning is Employing Non-Union Plumbers and Says He Will Soon Break Up the Local Trust, From Which the City Has Suffered Long—Impracticability of Establishing High Order of White Servants in South.

Observer Bureau, 1209 Main Street, Columbia, S. C., March 28. Another illustration of the impracticability of establishing a high order of white servants in the South, on ac-

count of the presence of the negro and the social lines that are drawn against him and those who work with him in the capacity of servants, is furnished in the withdrawal from Columbia of Mr. and Mrs. Peter McDonald, who were brought here from Scotland through the immigration department, the man working as coachman for Mr. E. W. Robertson and the woman as housekeeper at Mr. Robertson's home. The couple were married last night by the Rev. Dr. G. A. Black-burn, at the home of a Scotch friend, only a few close friends being present, and left at once for Louisville to make that their permanent home. McDonald was a novelty as a white

coachman, being the first to be seen in Columbia, and he attracted no little attention, although he himself was this section of the country has placed the ban upon for a white man, still was a well educated and intelligent fellow. He had a scientific as well as practical knowledge of horses, being a good veterinary surgeon.

Miss Annie Alexander, his bride,

who knew him in Glascow and who came here from the old country about six months ago to marry him, is a tall, handsome woman, and evidently u woman of some refinement and taste. She is said to have come from gentle folks at her home, although she was live State. Others have written home working as a housekeeper there a that they are disappointed; that they short time before she sailed for Amer- were misinformed and that, after all, She is an educated woman and she made an attractive picture in her perous than the State of their adoppretty wedding gown. She is proud and sensitive and is said to have found conditions under which she lived here intolerable, although she was much attached to Mr. Robertson's family, which treated her and the coachman with the greatest consider-

As was mentioned in this correspondence recently, Commissioner Watson has mapped out a scheme which he hopes will work a cure for the growing sailed from New York the 24th to

RAPACITY OF PLUMBERS' UNION. Mr. L. L. Browning, the master expelled by Plumbers' Association for violating the rule of the association in accepting a contract where he did not fur-nish the supplies, says he will soon have in enough non-union plumbers to break up the local trust, which he

says, it is rotten to the core.
"Yes, it is true," he said to The Observer's correspondent, "that the master plumbers get rake-offs from the plumbing supply trust for forcing goods on the public at high rates. 1 Villeford Club of Oxford, North Car-have myself received rebates in this olina, will be held in the club pariors. to do the plumbing at Dr. F. D. Kendall's flats after other master plumbers had bid on it in spite of their master plumbers had bid on it in spite of their master plumbers had bid on it in spite of their master plumbers had been spite of their master plumbers had been spite of their master plumbers. April, in the year of our Lord, one thousand nine hundred and gix, from nine until twelve o'clock, the honor of your presence is requested. lution that this particular job could dance in the armory and many visitors not be accepted. The materials had been bought up from the Ortagus forced sale by Dr. Kendall, and you can get the name from Dr. Kendall of the master plumber, who afterward Col. J. A. Long and Rev. R. C. Beavoted to expell me, who bid on this work at 1 per cent, over cost,

"But there are plenty of supply concerns outside of the trust I can get my materials from at better prices. I was surprised the other day to see the stuff that was being put in at Laurens at ridiculously compared to what is being paid in

"They are a merry bunch of pirates, are these local master and journeymen plumbers," said Dr. A. B. Knowlton, who overheard the reporter talk-ing to Mr. Browning, who was at work in the cellar of the Knowlton infirmary. I would like to relate a little incident by way of affording a sideon the subject. I had some trouble with a bath tub, and after paying on two occasions without getplumber who had the job that a serious trouble was to be dealt with and that to cure the difficulty thoroughly I told him I would get bids on the job. In the meantime a colored man came along and took a look at the connections. He found the trouble in debate lasted two hours without a dull few minutes and promptly remedied it. He used a gimlet in getting into was greeted with applause. The age of 26 years. The deceased had the pipe and afterward soldered the graded school children sang two pretty been in the employ of the Crew Min place up good as new."
"And what did his services cost?"

the physician was asked.
"Ten cents." and there was a merry

ring to the doctor's voice. Columbia has been a patient sufferer from the rapacity of the plumbing trust for several years, conditions going from bad to worse until the matter has become a jest and a by-word. With a great number of new buildings constantly going up and a new sewerage system calling for thousands pewer connections, there has been a great amount of plumbing to do. Half a dozen thriving plumbing con-cerns have been established in the past few years.

REUNION DATES CHANGED. It was decided to change the dates for holding the Confederate veterans reunion here in May. The dates were fixed for the fourth week in May, but it was discovered that this would interfere with the Knights of Pythias grand lodge meeting at Sumter, which has been changed to be held that week, so it was decided to have the yeterans meet here on the 16th, 17th

and 18th of May, Thursday and Fri-day of the third week in May. GREENWOOD KICKING. Greenwood is kicking and also protesting and likewise objecting. Greenwood does not want the proposed new schedule arrangements providing for an afternoon train out of Columbia to the up-country and an early morn-ing train in from there, which the people of other places along the line n contending for, and which the Southern officials here have prom-ised to provide for if the head offiised to provide for if the head offi-cials consent, the railroad commission recommending the change. President J. B. Hammett, of the Honea Path Mill, has written the commission pro-testing against the project, contend-ing that Greenwood has no room to ob-ject, inasmuch as the change will ben-efit that town. He sides that the pro-posed change is desired all along the line not only on account of the mail service from the low country but in the interest of better mail service north through Greenville. MOVING WESTWARD.

undreds of People Migrating From Western North Carolina to the Far Western States.

Correspondence of The Observer.

Asheville, March 27.—Many Western North Carolinians are moving westward, Every week there is a move-ment of colonists for the West and Northwest and it is estimated that several hundred people have gone to Montana, Idaho, Washington, California, Nebraska, Dakota and other Western States during the past several months. Yesterday a party of 25 passed through Asheville en route to the West and another large party will go within a few days. The colonist movement from Western North Carolina has attracted the agents and representatives of a number of foreign railroads to Asheville and this section and most inviting railroad rates are being offered to those who contemplate seeking homes in the far West. Among the representatives here this week seeking colonist business for their various roads are: R. O. Beam, of the Union Pacific; R. S. Russell, of the Rock Island system; A. C. Harvey, of the Great Northern, and A. S. Thweatt, eastern passenger agent of the Southern Railway with headquarters in New York.

The Southern Railway Company is not endeavoring to persuade Western North Carolinians to immigrate to the West. In fact the Southern Railway has invariably sought to induce citivery reserved and quiet, and his zens of this section to remain at home friends know that he was very sensi- and likewise to induce those from tive. They speak of his excellent other sections to come here. Where qualities in many respects. While he colonists have determined to go west-held a position which the custom of ward, however, the Southern is naturally in the field for the long haul over its roads. It is known that agents of foreign roads consider Western North Carolina a fertile field for operations and that their efforts to induce the people from this section of the State to dispose of their property and go westward, are meeting with success. Many, however, who left Western North Carolina for that region west of the Mississippi river have become disatisfied and returned to their na-Western North Carolina is more prostion in the far West.

GOV. GLENN TO SPEAK.

Will Address Daughters of the Confederacy at Oxford in June-Villeford Club's Annual Reception.

Correspondence of The Observer. Oxford, March 27.-Gov. R. B. Glenn has accepted an invitation extended by the Granville Grays chapter United servant evil in this Daughters of the Confederacy to de-Herbert, of his office, liver an address in the opera house in Oxford during the first week in June, work in the north of Ireland country probably June 5th. The occasion will for a good class of servants, which be in the interest of the Confederate will be settled in homes near the im- | monument to be erected in Oxford and portant towns, so that they will be an unusual interest is manifested and a crowded house will greet the Gov-

> Mrs. E. R. MacKethan, of Fayetteville, is in Oxford, receiving a hearty welcome from her friends -Mrs. W B. Ballou returned yesterday from Littleton, where she visited her aged father .- Miss Belle Cooper has returned from a visit to her brother, Mr. Crawford Cooper, in Fayetteville. The "Villeford" Club of Oxford will Easter holidays to which the following invitations were issued to-day:

The annual Easter reception of the Villeford Club of Oxford, North Car-

are expected.

DEBATE ON DISPENSARY.

man Discuss Absorbing Topic Be-fore Large Audience in Alamance

forrespondence of The Observer. Graham, March 27.-A mass meeting was held in the court house last evehed with an intensely interested crowd. Col. J. A. Long, in an able speech, noon at 3 o'clock. advocated the dispensary as the best means of regulating the inevitable lem. liquor traffic, and suppressing the blind tigers, which are now demoralizing the community, and also as a source of revenue to town and county. Rev. Dr. R. C. Beaman, of Durham, eloquently denounced the dispensary funeral and burial took place this as a delusion and a snare, and as be-morning. She was the wife of W. B. ting results I was told by the master ing the devil's last trump card. He Lawson and left six children. She denied that it would decrease drunk- was 36 years of age. In addition to enness and lawlessness, and declared her children there are two brothers that its revenue would be wrung from and two sisters surviving. and permanently would cost me \$30. the suffering families of the poor. He also charged the town authorities moment, and each good point made graded school children sang two pretty been in the employ of the Gray Minsongs,

A RELIGIOUS GATHERING.

for a week's convention. The sessions will be held at Central church and many phases of the work will come up for discussion. It is estimated that fu'ly 200 delegates will be in attendance, representing every Southern State and including representatives from California and other States on the Pacific coast, The delegates to the conference will be entertained by members of the Methodist churches of the city during their stay in Asheville. One feature of the gathering will be a sermon to the conference Sunday, April 28, preached by Rev. Charles W. Byrd, D. D., formerly pastor of Central church of Asheville, and recognized as one of the most able ministers in the Southern conference.

A LIVELY TUSSLE.

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Miss Alice Nielsen, who will be re-membered in connection with the Bos-tonians in "The Serenade" and her brilliant starring towns in "The Sing-ing Girl" and "The Fortune Teller," who, during the past few years, has been pursuing her profession with much success in London and other Eu-ronean cities comes to the Academy of ropean cities comes to the Academy of Music Thursday, March 29, and will be seen as Norina in Donizetti's melodious and amusing opera, "Don Pas-

We understand that the advance that she has made during the period of her absence is very manifest. Those who have recently heard her say that her voice has gained greatly in qual-ity, range and volume and her vocalism has become excellent; that in the breadth and smoothness of her delivery, the effectiveness of her phrasing and the even brilliancy of her scale passages Miss Nielsen has now acquired a method which suggests plenty of hard work under the best instruc

Her impersonation of Danizetti's captivating but petulant and tantaliz-ing heroine, Norina, should be admirable. It is admitted to be a distinct success both from a musical and dramatic point of view. Miss Nielsen will be supported by a special cast of European artists. The company carries its own orchestra complete.

William A. Whitecar, at the head of Jules Murry's own company, an organization composed of specially selected members, each chosen by reason of possessing individual ability pe-culiarly adapted for portraying the role undertaken, will be seen at the Academy Monday in Isaac Henderson's celebrated comedy, "The Mummy and the Humming Bird," which in the last three years, has proved one of the most signal successes ever pro-duced. Rich in dramatic incident, unique in its manner of treatment and brilliant in its dialogue, this play has von universal commendation wherever it has been presented by Manager Murry's companies. This season it has been provided with a new and complete scenic outfit that enables the organization to present it in every city visited with the same elaboration and careful attention to detail that marked the original productions of the play in London and New York.

THE DEATH RECORD.

Mrs. Jeanette Beavis, of Halifax. Correspondence of The Observer.

Scotland Neck, March 26.-Saturday Mrs. Janette Beavis died here at the home of her daughter, Mrs. John Speed, aged about 70 years. Her remains were interred in the Episcopal Cemetery yesterday afternoon, the burial services being conducted by Rev. G. W. Phelps, rector of Trinity church, assisted by Rev. G. T. Lew-pakin, pastor of the Baptist church. Mrs. Beavis had been a faithful and consistent member of the Baptist church for many years. She had been a great sufferer for years. She leaves a number of relatives and friends here, besides a daughter, Mrs. Howard, at Speed, Edgecombe county.

P. D. Wade, of Forsyth.

Correspondence of The Observer. Winston-Salem, March 26,-Mr. D. Wade died Saturday night at his home near the old Winston reservoir at the age of 70 years. Deceased had been in bad health for a year. give a hospitable reception during the The remains, accompanied by the son L. A. Wade, were sent to Leakville to-

Miss Louise Haithcock, of Greensboro. Correspondence of The Observer.

view to becoming a professional nurse. Her death was quite sudden and unexpected, and the telegram which conveyed the news to this city caused a great shock to her relatives here. The remains will be brought to Greensboro to-morrow morning and the funeral will take place to-morrow afternoon.

Junius Hill, of Forsyth.

Correspondence of The Observer. Winston-Salem, March 27.-Mr. Junius Hill, aged 50 years, died yesing for the purpose of listening to a terday at his home on Rocky Creek. joint debate on the dispensary ques- in Davidson county. Deceased leaves tion. The large auditorium was pack- a wife and several children. Interment was at Good Hope this after-The deceased is an uncle of Mrs. R. L. Hanes, of Sa- DR. C. L. ALEXANDER,

> Mrs. Idlia Lawson, of Durham. Correspondence of The Observer. Durham, March 27 .- Mrs.

Lawson died yesterday at her home, near Rougemont, this county, and the

J. W. Fry, of Forsyth.

Correspondence of The Observer. Winston-Salem, March 27.—John Walter Fry, son of J. H. Fry, of this city, died at 10 o'clock Monday night nine miles west of Mocksville, at the ing Company since Christmas. Up to that time he worked for Taylor Bros., tobacco manufacturers of this city. His family recently moved

Woman's Home Mission Conference of M. E. Church South to Meet in Asheville April 26—200 Delegates Will be in Attendance.

Correspondence of The Observer.

Asheville, March 26.—One of the most important religious gatherings to be held in the South this year will be the Woman's Home Missionary Conference of the M. E. church, South, which will meet in Asheville April 26 for a week's convention. The ses-

from here to Davie county. The re-mains will be brought here to-mor-

Miss Willie Stark, of Oxford.
Correspondence of The Observer,
Oxford, March 27.—A sad death
occurred this morning at 5 o'clock in Oxford at the home of Mr, and Mrs. Walter Starke when their eldest daughter, Miss Willie, passed away after an illness of six months. She was a lovely young woman, 23 years of age and a favorite in this commu-nity. The funeral will take place Wednesday at the Episcopal church of which she was a devoted member being an ardent worker in the auxiliary and a member of the choir. The burial will be in Elmwood Cemetery.

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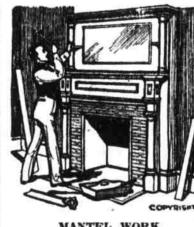
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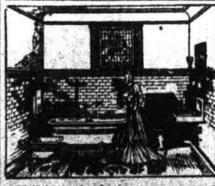
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