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BILLS BEING SMOTHERED HOUSE TAKES WIDE R VESUVIUS WREAKING RUIN PROF. BURKETT TO LEAVE FRIGHTENED BY UNION MEN DILWORTH'S THIRD FIRE THE LAURENS MILL FIGHT RETURNS TO OHIO UNIVERSITY POLICE. PROTECT FOREIGNERS PIPE FOUNDRY PLANT BURNS IT IS PRACTICALLY SETTLED MR. POU'S SPEECH IN THE HOUSE MR. POU AMONG THE RIVERS OF LAVA RESISTLESS

Maile a Gray Waste by Vhile Amid Thunderous as and Earth Shocks Torrents of Liquid Fire Destroy Pens-ants' Homes and All Vegetation-Grief of the Wretched People Pitiful to Witness-Cardinal and Royal Duke Actively at Work.

Naples, April 7 .-- Mount Vesuvius is a collossal brazier and the town of scatrecaz, on is southern declivity, has been transformed into a gray island of ruin by the ashes from the crater of the volcano. Torrents of iquid fire, resembling in the distance serpents with glittering yellow and black scales, are coursing in all directions, amid rumbling detonations and earth tremblings, while a pall of ulphorus smoke that hovers over all makes breathing difficult,

The streams of lava are resistless They snap like pipe stems the trunks of chestnut trees hundreds of years old and bright with their torid breath the blooms on the peach trees before the trees themselves have been reachd. The molten streams do not spare the homes of the peasants, and when these have been razed they dash into wells, as though seeking to slake their thirst, and, having filled them, continue their course down the mountain side.

PITIFUL SCENES WITNESSED. Everywhere in the vicinity of the volcano pitiful scenes are witnessedwomen tearing their hair in their grief and old men crying aloud at the loss of their beloved homesteads, while in the distance, in striking contrast, lie the sapphire-colored Mediterranean, the violet-hued mountains of the Sorrento peninsula, and the Island of Capri in the tranguil sea.

Artillery carts have been sent to the assistance of the fleeing peasants. and the Duke of Aosta, Cardinal Joseph Prisco and all the authorities, in the rain to-day went to the porthe mountain most threatened in order to succor or comfort the peo ple. Previously Cardinal Prisco order ple. Previously Cardinal Prisco order-ed special prayers to be said for those in danger. Bosco Beale, the village which is most in danger of destruc-tion, is the birthplace of the cardinal and the home of most of his relatives. SEEK TO CALM PEASANTS.

These personages talked with the peasants in endeavors to pacify them and the Duke of Aosta was especially otive. He explained the means he thought best to save lives and propiers erect parapets and dig trenches in order to change the course of the lave streams and at times gave an example of his energy by working himself. Cardinal Prisco distributed es of life to the peasants, and kett were widely circulated. o far as to give away the

of A. & M. College Decides to Re-turn to His Old Position, Much to Regres of Many North Carolinians —Has Done Much for Agricultural Interests of State—Governor Glenn at Concord To-Day — Charters Granted—News Notes of State Capital

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Observer Bureau, 123 South Dawson Street, Raleigh, April 7.

High Point, April 7 .- Another band The secretary of State to-day chartered the People's Investment & Protective Company, Washington, N. C., authorized capital \$50,000 and \$5,600 paid in: incorporators, C. E. Askew, D. H. Price and A. J. Brown, all of Washington; an amendment was granted to the charter of the People's Bank & Trust Company, Salisbury, and the capital stock was increased from \$60,000 to \$75,000; D. R. Julian is president and J. D. Norwood cashier, both being residents of Salisbury.

Interest in the cotton movement among the farmers was shown in Raleigh to-day at a largely attended meeting of the Wake county division o fthe Southern Cotton Association. President C. C. Moore, of the State association, will come to Raleigh Monday and will spend several days here looking into office affairs and to get into better touch with the county offi-

cers and korkers. The board of aldermen of the city of Raleign last night authorized the school committee of Raleigh township to borrow \$16,000 and the issue of that amount in bonds, at six per cent., for the erection of another and commodious school building on their lot on West Morgan street. The matter of the purchase by the city of the prop-erties of the Wake Water Company was also brought up, but action will, of necessity, be postponed, until the values can be fixed by the city's expert engineers. The general committee of the Associated Charitles of Raleigh recommended compulsory education g the children of the city, and ther. suggest the employment of a It truant officer to enforce such. It is understood that this would apply to the opening period of the schools next egram to the chief of police of this

PROF. C. W. BURKETT RESIGNS After deliberation of several months and the consideration by a number of personal friends of the North Caroina Agricultural & Mechanical College, Prof. C. W. Burkett has decided to leave the institution and return to his old college, that of the University of Ohio, where he will be prominently connected with an institution that has this was a good place to land them at aken high rank in the educational matters of the country. It is announc-ed that Prof. Burkett will leave May 29. It has been a matter of specula-tive doubt as to whether or not the resignation tended last winter would be accepted by the State board. There were many of the student body who so desired his continuance that petitions

event

fall.

Returning North From Railroad Camps at Marion, Surrounded by Union Men at High Point and Are Placed in Mayor's Office by Police for Protection— Idie Men Visit Depot, Attend Meet-ings and Walk the Streets—Manu-facturers Add to Their Forces and All Functories Am Running—Citit All Fu Fuctories Are Running-Cl Go About Work as Usual, -Citi-

Rens Special to The Observer.

of Italians, four in number, arrived here this afternoon, walking. Word had been sent ahead from Tomasville that the dagoes were bound this way. Arriving here, they were surrounded thought the Italians had come to er loss to the concern will be in the work in the factories. The foreigners failure to fill contracts, and the di

men had been subsisting on grass for are excellent citizens. the past three days and had a plentiful supply in their pockets. Some of the Frenchmen and one Italian working in the glass factories here befriended them, furnishing them with turn, will send money back for the others. They are part of the squad \$200,000. working on the railroad near Marion

large numbers of whom are returning daily to the North Some of then are due their employers money advanced for transportation. The greatest excitement here since the so-called lock-out resulted when the 16 Italian laborers landed here yesterday, as told in this correspond ence. It was first thought by some of the union men that they had been sent here to take the places vacated by union laborers in the furniture and glass factories. It was later ascer tained that they stopped here simply because they did not have money with which to pay railroad fare furwas learned to-day that these Italians are wanted at Marion, this information being conveyed in a tel-

lace. It seems they were furnished trans portation by a railroad contractor to Marion and they left there before the obligation was met and only enough money to pay their way to High Point, where they were put off by the conductor, who probably was under the erroneus impression that the present time. However, such was not the case, and the people of High Point are glad that they departed as soon as they did. They left here, going in the direction of Greensb NO NEW DEVELOPMENTS.

There is practically no new development in the situation. The filde men attend meetings of the union, advocating the retention of Prof Bur-Other the depot and walk the streets. Mr. F. C. Roberts, representing the

Two Large Buildings Go Up in Flames-Majority of Patterns Saved --Mr. W. F. Dowd, President, in Brevard -- Fire Department Re-sponds and Does Fine Work-Dil-worth's Third Big Fire, With Losses Aggregating \$200,000. With the exception of the small brick office building and the pattern

machine shops, the big plant of the Charlotte Pipe & Foundry Company was totally destroyed by fire last night. The value of the foundry is given at \$100,000; the loss will approximate \$40,-000, while the insurance on the burned Arriving here, they were surrounded portion is but \$13,000. While the im by a crowd of union men, who mediate loss is heavy, by far the great were severely frightened by their chariotte Pipe & Foundry Company presence. The officers took them in is one of the most successful of the charge and are giving them rooms at the mayor's office as protection. The and the men receive goo dsalaries and

The fact is noteworthy that this is the third big fire which has occurred in Dilworth within the past few months. First came the \$20,000 fire at the gas works, which was soon fol-lowed by the \$140,000 fire at the Southsubstantial things to eat and making up money to pay the fare of one of the number to New York city. He, in years. The third was that last night. The loss from the three will aggregate

About 9:30 o'clock last night, Super intendent Robert Boggs observed a small blaze burning vigorously near th ecupola in the rear of the building rushed in and tried to set the pumps used in the making of soil pipe. He going. They would not work, prob-ablyably owing to the fact that the flames had interfered in some way with the electric motor connections. to be slated for the presidency of the Mr. Beggs had been joined by the mill. night watchman and they together

turned about to summon aid. The building, a large frame structure, was as dry as tinder. During the afternoon, the blasts had been going and a quantity of pipe had been moulded. The heat from the molten metal rising against the wood had made it very inflamable. The fire started from the cupola and, in a few minutes, wide expanse of roof was one

mass of flames. The heat was such that no one could stand near the building. The flames then crossed to the new water pipe building, which was located between the soll pipe building had and the 4C's gas plant. Like a flash is enveloped the elevator-shaped build-ing and the whole pipe plant was afire. In the meantime, several had observed the fire and the city fire department was immediately notified by phone. The chemical engine and hose wagon responded, making the long run in fine style. Fortunately Chief W. S Orr and Mr. O. L. Barringer were in the latter's automobile when they herad of the fire. They put on full speed and arrived at the scene before the department. Connection was made visit with the city water, but the pressure was such that very little could be done. The steamer, which had been

ment in Long-Stand Next Thursday—Terms of Agree-ment Not Made Public, but Be-lieved Mr. Lucas Will Bemain at Head of Mill and Milliken Will

Continue as Agent. Special to The Observer.

Spartanburg, S. C., April 7 .-- The long-standing fight between W. E. Lucas, of Laurens, and the Millikens, for control of the Laurens Cotton Mills, has been practically settled, articles of agreement having been drafted by

representatives of both sides at a meeting this afternoon. The terms reached are being witheld and it is impossible to ascertain much information relative to the trasaction. One of the interested parties said to-night that the terms were such as to make both Mr. Lucas and Mr. Milliken very happy. Mr. G. H. Milliken, a son of Mr Seth Mnlliken, who is opposing Lucas for control of the mill; Mr. G. A. Hatch, a member of the firm of the Deering-Milliken Company; Mr. Featherstone Richey, of Laurens, representing Mr. Lucas, met in conference at the office of Bomar & Simpson here today and the differences were practically settled. A meeting will be held at Laurens Thursday at which all interested will be present and the articles drawn up to-day will be ratified. If Mr. Lucas wins he will remain at the head of the Laurens Mill. If Mr. Milliken obtains control, Mr. Walter Montgomery, of this city, is understood

Mr. Lucas to-day sent out notices calling a meeting of stockholders for Thursday, but later the notices were withdrawn.

What is given by an outsider possible agreement is that Mr. Lucas may remain at the head of the mill and its product continue to be sold by the Millikens as agents, this point having been the origin of the tangle. MILLIKEN TO BUY LUCAS INTER-ESTS?

It is learned from a reliable source that the Milliken people have effered to buy the Lucas interests in the Laurens and Darlington mills and similar stock held by Mr. Lucas' For the Laurens stock 170 is to be paid and for the Darlington, 65. The former is worth 160-165 and the latter 50.

DOWIE IN SAN ANTONIO.

Repudiated Apostle is a Feeble, Alling Old Man, but Buoyed Up by Excitement as He Meets Local Dowieites—Says the Lord Will Give Him Victory. San Antonio, Tex., April 7.-John

Alexander Dowle arrived here at 1 p. m. If you favor a continuance of the cor-to-day, over the International & Great

The North Carolina Congressman En-gages Attention of the Members by Rapping Committee for Its Inac-tivity in Considering Bills Looking to the Elimination of Campaign Contributions by Corporations-No Hope for Relief Until it is Made a Crime to Bay Elections-Favora Crime to Buy Elections-Favor-able Report on Mr. Webb's Bill Appropriating \$30,000 for Monument on Kings Mountain.

Observer.

BY W. A. HILDEBRAND. Observer Bureau,

1417 G Street N. W., Washington, April 7. Representative Pou to-day took advantage of the latitude allowed in debate on the postoffice apropriation bill to make a brief excursion into the field of national politics, submitting some servations rendered doubly interesting and pertinent in light of recent insurance company revelations. Members gave their undivided attention to the North Carolina member, and questions were asked him by Minority Leader Williams, Judge Rucker, Conressman Sims and others. While Mr Pou was engaged in taking Republicans to task for failure to heed the ecommendations of the President and other Republicans of national promisence who had urged legislation to put an end to the evil and dangerous practice of corporations in contribut ing to campaign committee. Judge Rucker said that all minority mem-bers, and some of the Republicans on the House committee on privileges and elections, had advised prompt ac-tion on the numerous bills designed to correct this evil, which brought Mr. Williams forward with the suggestion that, where the demand was so insistent for action, it might be in order for the committee to depose its chairman and get a man in his place who would call the meeting of the committee. Mr. Gains, of West Virginia, is chairman of the committee.

TIME FOR ACTION.

Mr. Pou said in part: "President Roosevelt, in his last two messages, recommended the passage of some law which will prevent the corrupt use of money in elections and which will prevent contributions for political purposes by corporations. Secretary Root, before the New York convention, made practically the same recommendation. Now this session is nearing its close, and, if the majority in this chamber and in the other end of the capitol, in-tend doing anything, it is time they were up and doing. I sent to the committee having these bills in charge and asked for copies of all bills framed with a view to carrying out the President's recommendations. I find there are nine of these bills, some drastic, some moderate, some introduced by Republicans and some introduced by Democrats.

COMMITTEE SMOTHERING BILLS. "I rise in my seat to sound the alarm. I charge that the majority in that committee intend to smother those bills if possible. Why, let some

member of the majority tell us why, if you favor a continuance of the cor-

Instead of Taking Half-Holiday, Law-Makers Raffway Mail Pay, More Pe Rural Carriers, the Smeller Election Boodle and Natural Laws --Bill to Provent Taxation of Distilled Spirits age" Passed-Mr. Poil Den Corrupt Use of Money in Ele Half. Ho Washington, April 7.—The 1 did not induige liself in the Saturday half-holiday to-day, continued the consideration of continued the consistential of postoffice appropriation bill and the latitude accorded under genan debate the discussion took on a wi range, including railway mail pe increase pay for rural letter carries the American Smelter trust, and i corrupt use of money in election corrupt use of money in elect with side-lights on naturalization laws.

Mr. Dalzell, of Pennsylvania, wh the House convened called up the bill amending the internal revenue laws to prevent the double taxation of to prevent the double taxation of certain distilled spirits, the "distilled spirits" in this case having referen to "soakage" which exists in the staves of wood of any cask or package at the time of its withdrawal from a distillery or bonded wareh and making these "spirits" subject to no tax should such "soakage" be re covered from the wood of such pack-age by any process. The bill was age by any process. The bill Dassed

Consideration of the postoffice appropriation bill was then resumed. Mr. Macon, of Arkansas, declared that he was opposed to the postoffice appropriation bill because of the abuses it contained, which were well known to the members of the committee on postoffices and post roads.

ATTACKS SMELTER TRUST. There is dessention among the mempers of the New York delegation in the lower House regarding tariff re-vision, judged by the remarks of Mr. Perkins, of New York. "Good friends of the tariff have al-

ways desired that any changes in it should be made by the Republican party," he said, "but it needs no prophet to see that if the Republic change party will not make any they will some day be made by those whose action will be less cons less friendly and less wise." He made the charge that the hundred milli of common stock of the American Smelling Company was issued originally not to represent any money had gone into purchase of plants but to capitalize future profits that were to be made out of the purchased plants. "The millions of dollars this corporation makes as a result of the operation of the Dingley law wo alone pay 7 per cent. upon a hundred millions of imaginary stock," he said MR. POU ON CAMPAIGN BOODLE.

Mr. Pou. of North Carolina, in discusaing the corrupt use of money in elections, said that life insurance ficials had stolen the money which really belonged to widows and or phans and had given it to Mr. Cor-telyou, the chairman of the Republican national committee "Could there be anything worse?"

wore on his finger edly he exclaimed to the frightened peasants, "Pray, my children, you may be sure God will not desert you

The statue of St. Anne which was ta ken to the mountain side to confront the lava is frequently moved back-ward as the tide advances.

EARTHQUAKE SHOCKS WORSE. Considerable apprehension is felt be-cause of the earthquake shocks, which are growing stronger and are felt even at Castellammare, 15 miles southeast of this city. Each shock is accom-ponied by deep and prolonged detonaponied tions.

Ottajano, at the northeast foot of the mountain, is threatened by a stream of lava and the people are beginning to desert the town.

The populace of Torre Annunsiata, at the south foot, have hequested that night trains be run to the town. This request has been granted and trains are now ready to proceed thither in case of need;

Signor Matteucel, director of the observatory on Vesuvius, still continues to occupy a most dangerous position With him is an Aemrican engineer named Perret. New craters have opened at differ-ent points on the mountain, but it is impossible to ascertain their number

or where they are situated.

MRS. ROOSEVELT ON RETURN.

Party Land at Savannah Amid Screaming Whistles and Display of Flags, Taking Train for Washing-ton After Drive Over the City.

Savannah, Ga., April 7.—Mrs. Roose-velt and party left the presidential yacht Mayflower at Tybee this morn-ing, changing to the U. S. buoy tender Wistaria. As the steamer passed up the river to the city, whistles blew and people waved at the pearty, who re-turned the calutes standing on the deck of the boat. The flags of all the consulates and of many business hous-es on the river were flying, as well consulates and of many business houses on the river were flying, as well as those of all the crafts on the harber. When the boat landed it was met by General Thomas F. Barr, U. S. A., a personal friend of the Roosevelts, and Major Charles McClure, in attendance here on the Greens and Gaynor trial, in full uniform, and, George F. White, United States marshal. The party was driven about the city, the drive terminating at the Union station, where a private car was boardied. The Roosevelt party left at 2:20 o'clock this afternoon for Washington. Mrs. Roosevelt was accompanied by her three children, Ethel, Archie and guentin, the governess of the children and several triends.

Young Woman Burned to Death.

Young Woman Burned to Death. Special to The Observer. Reidsville, April 1.—Miss Mary Har-ris, who lived .near Groom's school house, about eight miles east of Reids-ville, was burned to death Wednesday while engaged in burning trash in her yard at home. Her dress, caught fire and, becoming frightened, she ran in the direction of the residence. A creek was as near to her as the house, and was as near to her as the house, and had she reached the stream she could easily have saved her life. She lin-gered util Wednesday night, when she passed away. The remains were buried at Groom's Thursday afternoon. Miss Harris was 36 years old.

Tampa Union Carpent ers Strike in

pa, Fia. April 7.-Two h carpenters, the total for fatton-Dekle Lumber Co force of Jetton-Dekle Lumber Company, at on a strike to-day in sympathy b the union painters how on strike. I specific ground for the strike is ted to be that the company was ploying non-union painters on one truct. The master painters now of over 100 non-union painters em-

offers had come to the man who, for nearly five years, has done much e the methods and aims of the other labor leaders are here. They have North Carolina department of agricul- tried to get an audience

In addition to his profe at the college, Prof. Burkett will also be missed in the pages of The Pro-gressive Farmer, with which most ex-cellent paper he has been associated

s an agricultural editor. Governor Glenn went to-day to Concord, where he will to-morrow deliver two addresses before the people of that place, speaking morning and even-ing. One of the addresses will be for emperance. The Governor will be in the executive office as usual Monday

morning. Secretary Connor announces that Dr C. D. McIver has accepted an invi-tation to introduce Hon. N. C. Schaet-fer, president of the National Educa-tional Association, who will address

ation for schools is demonstrated in the number of towns and schools that are calling for schools that are calling for publicity through speeches. John E. Ray, of Raleigh, will speak in Mooresville, April 12; Brevard, April 18; J. I. Foust, at Pinnacle, Stokes county, April 20; Supt. Judd, of Wake county, May 11, and State Auditor B. E. Dicknon will greak at Wise. Warmen

F. Dickson will speak at Wise, Warren ounty, April 24.

ARGUMENT CONCLUDED.

udge Ferguson Will Render Decision in Injunction Suit Against City of Greensboro as Soon as Possible.

Greensboro as Soon as Possible. Special to The Observer. Greensboro, April 7.—It was after 11 o'clock to-night when the argument was concluded before Judge Ferguson on the restraining order granted two weeks ago by Judge W. R. Allen at Asheville, enjoining the city of Grens-boro from making further payments to the Southern Paving & Construc-tion Company, of Chattanooga, Tenn., the firm having the contract to re-pave Elim street with vitrified brick. The hearing started Sesterday morning and about 50 affidavits were read, the argument beginning this morning at il o'clock. All seven of the attaneys appearing in the case made speeches. Judge Ferguson took the papers under consideration and said he would ren-der this decisions sariy as possible.

COAL STRIKE SPECATION QUIET.

Ohio Operators Decide to Stand Firm -Walting Attitude in Anthracita

Fields.

Fields. New York, April 7.—With Presi-dent Mitchell and the scale committee awaiting the reply of the operators to the proposition to arbitrate their differences, all is quiet in the ad-thracite coal strike situation. The end of the first week of sus-pension of operation in the anthra-cite field found the miners staunch in their support of Mitchell. In the western Pennsylvania bituminous dis-tricts reports indicate that 28,000 men, or over 95 per cent. of the miners, will be at work Monday. A development of interest in the bi-tuminous regions was the action of the Ohio operators in resolving to re-fuse to grant the scale of 1963. From various other sections came reports of operators signing the 1903 scale.

of operators signing the 1903 scale, d Contractor Killed by Nee

April 7.-Thomas Huntington, Va., a men er of a firm of co nty, was a

merican Federation of Labor. for, soon with the manufacturers but I am reliably informed have been unsuccessful so far the manufacturers saying they have nothing to discuss or arbitrate; that they have done what any man a right to do and can see no need for a conference as they do not intend to employ union workmen if they know

It has been called a "lock-out," "strike," and many other names but none of these seem to fit the case as no demand was made to the plant. union, I am told, nor is any man bar-

red from work if he does not belong to the union. The manifesto of the manufacturers was "that on and after April 2nd, no union men would employed." This is a lock-out if the the teachers' assembly the opening union men refuse to work as night, June 12. Interest in the matter of local taxnon union men, but not a lock-out if they

ADD TO FORCES.

The people here have already passed the matter over and very little enthusiasm or excitement is occasion over the matter. People go about their work as usual, whether they sympathise with the union or with the manufacturers. In fact, the "lock-out" ceases to create any excitement here. I am told that, in Greensbord and surrounding towns, the matter is discussed more and the people seem to know more about the situation than is known here. There have been

several additions to the working force of the factories the past two days, so I am informed from a reliable source.

DURHAM MERCHANT SKIPS.

W. E. Clements Leaves Stock to His Creditors-Domestic Infelicity Al leged Cause of Uncerem parture.

ecial to The Observer.

Durham, April 7.-To-day severa cases in attachment were by Justice of the Peace E. Owens. The cases were heard against W. E. Clements, who a small mercantile business in the southern part of the city. A few nights ago he disappeared, leaving a note to B. L. Tyree & Co., telling the firm to take charge of his stock, sell firm to take charge of his stock, sell the goods and pay his claims pro-rata. In the meantime, there was a rush of those who wanted to secure their claims and these attachments resulted. Clements left town, it is re-ported, on account of domestic rela-tives that were not pleasant. Noth-ing has been heard from him since he left the town.

Charter Granted for Louisville-Bir-mingham Road. Nashville, Tenn., April 7.—The secre-tary of State to-day granted a charter to the Louisville, South Pittsburg & Birmingham Railroad Company, incor-porated, for the purpose of construct-ing a line of railroad from Louisville, Ky., to Birmingham, Ala. Capital, 100,000, Incorporators: C. G. Glatzan and Edwin Ripley, of Pittsburg, Pa.; J. W. Davis, of Falcioner, N. Y.; Earl Ripley, of Duquion, III.; V. H. Waugh, of Greenville, Pa., and J. A. Shillito, Gould Gould

Jay Gouki Wins Court To

New York, April 7.-Jay Gould, re-centing the national Recoust of the national co a champione E. Sands.

day won from Sauda aight sets 3-3, 6-3, 6-4.

arrived. fired up en route, and in a few minutes. a full stream of water was playing about the edges of the flames. It was impossible to save either burning building. Hence all efforts were directed to preventing the spread of the fire. The wooden building used for the making of the patterns was saved. The flames never came near the brick office building. The brick and frame structure in which the reserve patterns were stored, was never in any

great danger. The three buildings saved were the most valuable parts of The loss is variously estimated Some say \$35,000; others \$50,000. \$40,-

000 is believed to be a conservative estimate exclusive of the loss that must necessarily follow. The insurance is \$13,000, the majority of it being with the insurance department of the Southern States Trust Company.

The loss is largely in patterns, cupola and electric equipment and mg-chines on hand. Included in the equip-

ment burned were six electric motors. ranging from 15 to 20 horse-power each, connection being made with the Catawba Power current.

The heaviest loss was the new water pipe building, and fixtures. The big building was finished but a few months ago. Since then experts have been engaged in installing machinery and making ready for the casting of the beavy water pipe, which was to have been started this week. The cupola was finished a few days ago and it was to have been operated for the first time this week. The entire building was burned to the ground and there is nothing now to mark the place but a few heaps of ashes and rubbish.

been the only article manufactured, the output being 40 tons per day. This figure would have been increased to 100 tons per day when the making of water pipe began Mr. W. F. Dowd, ton Mill, including real estate, \$1,250,president and cheif stockholder of the company, epent yesterday in Brevard on business. He was notified of the fire jast night and is expected home

Although the fire was a half mile beyond the city limits, Chief W. S. Orr and the fire department responded and did great work in preventing the sprea of the flames.

VOIDS MILLIONS IN NOTES.

Kansas Supreme Court Holds Kansa City Live Stock Exchange a Trust and All Cattle Paper Made Through it Unvalid.

Topeka, Kan., April 7.-In a de-claion rendered here to-day the Kan-sas Supreme Court held that the Kansas City live stock exchange is a trust, and that all cattle mortgages nade through members of that ex-

rd To-Day concord, April 7.-Governo d. April 1. Governor Glenn will to morrow and will deliver two s. At 12 o'clock in the morning speak to the Hundhy school of fill church and at 128 o'clock in ing he will speak on temperance

Northern Railway from Laredo, entire local membership met the apostle at the station when he arrived Apparently, to a man should be and the cordance with the apostle, and the cordance with the ressive. The feebl and the meeting was impressive. The feeble old man tottered off the steps of the Pullman car, and was received by a hundred of his own people with bared heads and outstretched hands. He has apartments in the leading hotel of this city, and he has so far declined to see anybody but his immedate party. No representative of the press was granted an interview during the afternoon, but the apostle authorized Mex-ican manager John A. Lewis to speak for him. Dowie will spend Sunday here and should his physician permit. it is announced, he will speak at the Zionist temple at the regular after-noon meeting. Dowie is in feeble health and seems to be buoyed up only by the mental excitement of the pres-

nt situation. He expresses confidence that he will be the victor in the Zior City controversy. In his remarks to his people to-day, Dowie said: "The Lord has given me strength to

defeat the enemy." UNION MILL ASSETS \$1,727,489.

Appraisers of Bankrupt Corporation File Report With Referee—Order of Sale by Federal Court to be Next Step.

Charleston, S. C., April 7 .- The appraisment of the Union Cotton Mills, Union S. C., adjudged bankrupt on Feb. 14, was filed to-day with E. W. Hughes, referee, by L. W. Parker, of Greenville, W. J. Britton, of Spartantions burg, and J. E. Sirrine, of Greenville, appraisers.

The total value of the plant, real The Charlotte Pipe & Foundry Com-pany operated one of the largest plants of its kind in the State. Soil pipe has the schedule of assets and liabilities filed some weeks ago, the liabilities were stated to be \$3,244,871.72.

> 000; accounts due, \$466,339.68; bills recelvable, \$500; stock of goods, \$1,000; live stock and vehicles, \$650. Total, \$1,727,489.68.

The next step in the Union Cotton Mill case will be the setting of a date of sale by the United States Court and the fixing of an upset price.

RAWLINGSES NEARLY ESCAPED.

and a Gang of Pickpockets Had All but Sawed Their Way Out.

Valdosta, Ga., April 7.—An attempt to escape from the county jail by the pickpockets who were convicted some time ago, and the famous Rawlingses, father and sons, under death sentence for the murder of the Carter children, was discovered and frustrated this morning. The prisoners had sawed the bolts in two which held in place a patch in the cell and in a few hours longer would have effected their es-cape from the jail. The prisoners claim that they se-cured the saws from a tool kil of a plumber who has been working in the jail, but it is believed that they were furnished them in some manner by parties on the outside. Two saws were found in the cells. Valdosta, Ga., April 7.-An attempt

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Ppecial to The Observer. Winston-Salem, April 7.—A letter secleved here yesterday from Repre-entative W. W. Kitchin says the ap-ropristion for the Winston-Salem public building would be Largased rom \$60,000 to \$65,000, upon the recom-mendation of Acting Secretary Tay-or. An effort was made to get the proprieting increased to \$50,000 but

efuse to act. If the Republican party has been using money contributed by corporations, which expect special favors, then you will refuse to act. Judge Rucker, who has just interrupted me, says that his Democratic colleagues on the committee favor speedy action, but hat the chairman would not call the committee together. I am glad to know that my Democratic colleagues stand for purity in elections and I am glad my friend from Missouri has put the responsibility where it belongs. ROBS INSURANCE OFFICIALS.

"Here are insurance officials stealng money which belongs to you and me and other policy-holders, and giving it away to help elect Roosevelt President. They stole this money, which is part of a great trust fund to keep poverty out of our homes when we are gone, and gave it to the chairman of the Republican party, and about as mild a thing as I can say of him is that he ought to give this money back to the rightful owners. Mr. Chairman, there is trouble somewhere. Why can't we get an effective rate bill passed? Why are not our anti-trust laws made more effective? Why don't we have a law that will prevent trusts

from selling their goods cheaper to foreigners than to you and me? THE ONLY REMEDY.

"I charge that the Republican party has used money contributed by men who represent these great interests, and I never expect to see any law passed which brings general relief to the masses until you make it a crime for great corporations to buy up elec-

The House committee on library to-iay reported favorably Mr. Webb's bill appropriating \$30,000 for the tion of a monument on King's Mountain battle ground. Mr. Thomas, who is a member of the committee, lent effective aid in securing favorable action.

BUTLER BENT ON DEFEATING GRANT AND FRAZIER.

Without a doubt Mr. Butler is bent on keeping Messrs. Frazier and Grant away from those postoffice jobs. He recently called up Senator Overman by telephone and asked that the nom-inations be delayed just a little longer, in the delayed just a little longer. by telephone and asked that the nom-inations be delayed just a little longer, saying the situation was developing slowly, but that charges would be forthcoming in time for the committee to act intelligently. But it is a fact that Senators are no longer impressed with the activity of Mr. Butler. They are walting for one thing, and one thing only, and that is, the reports from the impectors who were sent to Greensbore and Goldsboro. Inquiry at this committee rooms to-day re-vealed the fact that the Department had not yet forwarded the reports of the impectors, and friends of the gen-tlemen in question asem confident some form of development is brewing. They have about concluded that Mr. Butler and his condjutors are working on Postmaster General Corteiyou in the hope that the Postmaster General will renew the matter with the President, and recommend the appolatment of "organization" people. DATE MOVED UP. It was recently stated that those

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le asked The taking was morally stealing. It ought to be given back. Certainly in 1904 Mr. Cortelyou did not need it."

Mr. Pou charged that great corpora-tions and trusts contributed money during the campaign and then expect ed a guarantee that no law hurtful to their interests should be passed. "Why don't you revise the tariff?" he asked. "Why don't you pass a railroad rate bill worth somethin Why don't you strike at the trusts, I believe these interests have contributed money and hope for protection." Mr. Kellher, of Massachusetts, spoke in favor of a less rigorous naturalization law and urged a reduc-tion in fees for naturalization papers. The following bills were pass House bill granting to the Corinth and Shiloh electric raliway company authority to construct an electric railway through Shiloh national park. Without touching any paragraph of the bill under consideration, the House at 4:45 adjourned until Monday.

Woman Sulcides in Yadkin. Special to The Observer.

Winston-Salem, April been received here that Fannie Robins, living near Shiloh church, Ya kin county, committed suicide a l days ago. She went to a field so distance from the house and, when body was found, her throat was cu from ear to ear. A table knife found by her side. No inquest held as it was evident that she had taken her own life.

ing was arranged. NO ACTION YET ON BARNES AP-POINTMENT.

The Star says of the Barnes nomin tion:

"No action was taken by the sub-committee of the Seante committee on postoffices and post roads looking to an investigation of the case of Mr. B. F. Barnes, nominated by the Presi-

B. F. Barnes, nominated by the Pres-dent to be postmaster of the city Washington. Senators Burrows, Ca-ter and Culbertson, members of the sub-committee, have not yet held meeting, as they are waiting for fu-ther information as so the gener charges against Mr. Barnes. It recognized by the members of the con-mittee that there is no necessity f hasty action. hasty action.

"Many of the Senators, those from Southern State, ceipt of letters from their co protesting against the conf Mr. Barnes' nomination on that he has violated the lat that he has violated the laws of chiv-alry, which, especially in the South are declared to be essential on the part of any man who has appirations for public office. A number of the South-ern Senators have received very ur-gent letters along this line, their con-stituents insisting that the nonicostion should be turned down on that ground."

MR. HEFFLIN'S JIM CROW BILL Representative Hefflin, who recently introduced

a bill to compal street District of Columbia called "jim cross" cars celpt of dogens of lette