#### EIGHT ON THE DISPENSARY

an Open Letter Addressed to the Democratic Voters of All the Counies of South Carolina, a Citizen's Committee Calls for Action in Electing Legislators and Officials the Will Abelish the State Discussivy Which is Chartered as a Pentering Sore'—Trial of 13 Years Ins Proved it a Fallure.

Observer Bureau.

Observer Bureau. 1200 Main Street. Columbia, S. C., May 8. The following call to the Demovoters of South Carolina was day issued by citizens opposed to ensary system:

To the Democratic Voters of South ens of South Carolina opsed to the present State dispensary stem, we, the undersigned, call up-our fellow citizens of like opinion

onite for the purpose of organizing oposition to the dispensary sys-So nearly of one mind concerning the dispensary system are the people of the State that it is only by their dispensary can be preserved. It is only by default that the dispensary can be preserved. It is only by default that the dispensary can win another victory, before the electors or in the Legislature, and it will be foolbardy for those who deto overthrow it to sit supinely by and see the pernicious system again enthronged in power in our common

Every sincere, patriotic citizen must regret that this issue should be again the paramount question in a South Carolina campaign. But as long as the dispensary remains just so long will it continue to be the para-mount issue, and it should therefore the desire of every thoughtful citteen to see this festering sore removed and a healthier condition secured. To this end we invite the co-operation of asary system to be an evil and propose that, other differing policies for the time being laid aside, the demand, first, now be made that the State dispensary system shall be destroyed. On trial now for 13 years, fortified

all the time by strong support and as truly protected by unceasing criticism and watchfulness, there is no need to point out the evils which the State and in its branches, drunkenness and murder, wee and misery have been its products. A pernicious political machine of gigantic proportions, with a beavered lobby in every county, the

pudiated the system. In other counties they are now ready to give expression to their will, awaiting the summer primary. In this primary, where the life or the death of the dispensary will be and should be decided, it is vitally necessary that the one ed, it is vitally necessary that the opposition to the dispensary shall be acunion that the dispensary has been voted out of 16 countles under the Brice law. By no other means than action and union can the system be ted from the State.

The people are decided. It merely remains for them to make their decision effective. They must choose representatives who will repeal such laws as they desire to have repealed bar, spent yesterday in the city, stay-and who will enact such laws as they ing at the Central. enforce justly and vigorously whatever laws are upon the statute books. The people have shown, by opportunity accorded them, that they believe in the principle of local selfgovernment, and now, lest they have this inalienable right again wrested from them, the free citizens of South Carolina must make their sovereign power feit. There must be elected a Legislature which will not renounce this principle, which will not yield to the dispensary machine; there must be elected executive and prosecuting officials who will not permit the law to be made a mockery for its undoing.

We suggest consultation and co-

may be attained.
J. S. Brice, J. C. Otts, D. R. Coker,
James A. Hoyt, Louis J. Bristow, W.
L. Mauldin, Jas. A. McCullough, J. W. Hamel, W. H. Wallace, D. W. Hiott, W. C. Allen, Howell Morrall, Chas.

A. Smith, R. L. Freeman, C. B. Ed-wards, A. B. Sturkey, D. F. Bradley, Laban Mauldin, C. T. Martin, R. F. Smith, John A. Brunson, C. C. Featherstone, T. R. Waring.

#### SUCCESSFUL MEETING.

Bervices Conducted at Hamlet by Rev. William Black Result in 80 Additions to the Church. ondence of The Observer

Hamlet, May 7.-The evangelistic ervices which have been in progress n the Prebyterian church here for the past eight days, conducted by Rev. William Black, of Davidson College, came to a close last night. About 20 persons have signed cards, signifying their intention of connecting selves with the church as a resuit of this meeting. Mr. Black is an excellent speaker and understands people. He is fearless in his denunciation of sin and at the same time gentle and tender in his manner. The people here, regardless of denomination will welcome him back at any time. Mr. Burr, who does the sing-ing for the evangelist, is a fine singer and lends no little to the success of

A wind storm passed over Hamlet last night. Several panes of glass were broken out in town and buggles and wagons turned over, but no serious damage has been reported.

#### ROMANTIC WEDDING.

Young Lady Comes From Nebraska Jo Greensboro to See Sick Lover and They Wed—Event Had Been Planned for This Summer.

Planned for This Summer.

Special to The Observer.

Greensboro, May 8.—An interesting marriage took place at the residence of J. W. Patterson on East Market street to-night, the contracting parties being W. P. Haynes, of this city, and Miss Eleanor D. Theile, of West Point, Neb. Rev. C. E. Hodgin officiated in the presence of a few friends. The romantic part of the wedding is that the couple had planned to be married at the bride's home this summer, but Mr. Haynes came here three weeks ago to travel from this place for Swift & Company and, upon arrival, was seized with an attack of gastritis. He informed his bethrothed of his illness and, upon his advice, she came here last night, the marriage taking place with the groom propped up in hed. He is improved and his recovery now will doubtless be more rapid.

Leading Rioxville Wholesaler Dead.

About the City.

—Mr. Carey W. Butt is confined to this home on South Tryon street by

-Afr. W. R. Campbell has opened up a harness shop at No. 27 East Fourth street.

-Mr. J. H. Sadler underwent an peration at Mercy General Hospital esterday and was doing nicely last

—Mr. J. Lee Koiner, who has been an automobile anthusiast for some time, yesterday received a new Franklin touring car through Os-mond L. Barringer & Company. -Orders were issued yesterday for the Charlotte Artillery to parade on

Memorial Day, to-morrow, at 4 oclock. The battery will participate in the observance of Memorial Day. —There will be no meeting of Rathbone Lodge, No. 37, Knights of Pythias. Thursday evening, the hall having been surrendered to the Roy-al Arch Masons who are in session in the city.

-The Southern Real Estate, Loan and Trust Company yesterday sold to Mr. Ed. Gresham a vacant lot and a house and lot on West Trade street, the property of Mrs. Laura Davidson. The consideration was \$4,350.

-Painters are busily engaged in nativiting the front of Alexander's drug store at the corner of Trade and Church streets; the Burwell-Dunn retail store, on the Square, and Hahn's confectionary store, at No. 6 West Trade street.

The receipts at the city cotton platform yesterday were 120 bales and the highest price paid for the staple was 11.75 cents a pound. The receipts for the corresponding date of last year, when the price was 7.50 cents a pound, were 53 bales.

-Carpenters have begun the work of erecting the large grand stand on the Cramer lot on South Tryon street. The stand will be used for the living flag the day of the big parade and at other times will be for the accommodation of visitors, the street in front to be the scene of an exhibition by the fire department, one of two con-certs by the Marine Band and other

is protected by unceasing criticism.

I watchfulness, there is no need to make the fourtainhead of the whiskey traffic has began practicing for the exhibition to be given during the 20th of the whiskey traffic has began practicing for the exhibition to be given during the 20th of the whiskey traffic has began practicing for the exhibition to be given during the 20th of the whiskey traffic has began practicing for the exhibition to be given during the 20th of the whiskey traffic has began practicing for the exhibition to be given during the 20th of the whiskey traffic has began practicing for the exhibition to be given during the 20th of the whiskey traffic has began practicing for the exhibition to be given during the 20th of the whiskey traffic has began practicing for the exhibition to be given during the 20th of the whiskey traffic has began practicing for the exhibition to be given during the 20th of the whiskey traffic has began practicing for the exhibition to be given during the 20th of the whiskey traffic has began practicing for the exhibition to be given during the 20th of the whiskey traffic has began practicing for the exhibition to be given during the 20th of the whiskey traffic has been practically as the control of the whiskey traffic has been practically as the control of the white th from skeleton stalls in the streets, so that the exhibition will include every action of the department from the turning in of the alarm to the scene of the fire and the turning on of

monster has waxed in.

deflant. The will of the people has deflant. The will of the people has been perverted and suppressed, and when finally demanding expression that demand has been thwarted and circumvented by appeals to the trivial shot and probably fatally wounded J. R. Roach, the foreman of the rock quarry near Salisbury, and that the assailant, a black, heavy-set petrong the same of the same The Charlotte police were requested to watch the trains and be on the lookout for the man. The shooting

The Movement of a Number of People, Visitors and Others. Mr. Frank Ogburn, of Monroe spent yesterday morning in the city with friends on his return to Trinity

College, at Durham. Mr. Charles H. Shull, of Lincolnton, a former resident of Charlotte, spent yesterday here on business. Mr. A. B. Mangum, of the Gastonia

desire enacted. Then they must put in office men, who, in full sympathy, Dr. J. B. Griggs, of Elizabeth City. Among the visitors in Charlotte is Mr. R. C. Kennedy, of Besseme City, spent yesterday in the city, staying at the Buford,

Among the out-of-town people here yesterday was Mr. A. L. Couch, of Lexington. Mr. K. M. Briggs, of Lumberton, was a guest at the Central yesterday. Mr. J. T. Alderman of Henderson,

was in the city yesterday.

Mr. George E. Beard, of Southern Pines, was a visitor in Charlotte yesterday, being a guest at the Buford.

operation in every county and throughout the State that these ends, of Gastonia.

Mr. C. B. Webb, of Statesville,

spent yesterday in the city on busi-Mr. W. M. Smith and Dr. I. W. Jamieson left yesterday for Golds-bore to attend the sessions of the Grand Lodge of Odd Fellows. Mr. Melville L. Smead, of New

York, is in the city, the guest of his nephew, Mr. W. H. Smead, Mr. Smead has factories in India, where he manufactures oriental rugs, and he is touring the South in this connection. Mr. J. W. White, land and indus-

trial agent of the Seaboard Air Line Railway Company, will spent to-morrow in the city on business connected with his department. Mr. W. E. Ashelev, of New York,

is in the city a guest at the Southern Manufacturers' Club. Mr. C. H. Baker, of Boston, Mass., is spending several days in the city on business.

Mr. Arthur L. Ware, a well-known citizen of Raleigh, is registered among the guests at the Southern Manufacturers' Club.

Mr. T. T. Cobb, Jr., of Atlanta, Ga. is a Charlotte visitor to-day.

#### IMPERSONATED OFFICER.

M. P. Merryman, of Virginia, Confined in McDowell County Jail on the Charge of Representing Himself to be a United States Marshal. Correspondence of The Observer. Marion, May 7 .- Hon. W. T. Craw-

ford, of Waynesville, spent last night in Marion and went to Rutherfordton this morning. Mr. Crawford seems very jovial, as usual, and is satisfied that he will secure the nomination for Congress at the next convention. United States Commissioner Craig. United States Commissioner Craig.
of this county, last Saturday bound
M. P. Morryman, of Virginia, to the
next term of United States court at
Statesville, on the charge of impersonating a United States Deputy
Marshal. It is alleged that Merryman
secured a bogus subpoens, and in the
guise of a United States officer, served the same on Bell Clure, of this
county, citing her to appear at Asheville to-day and give evidence in a
certain criminal trial to be heard
there. It is reported that the Clure
women acted upon the summons and
got as fer as Old Fort before she
learned that she had been imposed
upon by Morryman.

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In default of bond Merryman is
now in McDowell county fail awaiting the next term of court at States
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### RECEPTION TO HOME COMERS

The Southern Manufacturers' Club to Receive Monday evening, May 11st, in Honor of All "Home Comers."

A meeting of the board of governors of the Southern Manufacturers' Club was held in the club rooms last night. Eleven new members were elected as follows: Messes. Fred W. Glover, J. Lean Adams, E. W. Gillam, George C. Heath, H. A. Klueppelberg, T. R. Robertson, A. C. Lee, J. A. Sharpe, E. W. Thompson, Wm. A. Barden and A. C. Hutchison.

At the instance of several members of the board of governors, a reception was adopted authorizing the house committee to give a reception especially to the "home comers" Monday evening, May 21st. Two committees are to be appointed by the president of the club to assist in receiving on that occasion. One is to consist of a number of ladies, and the other, of the mayor of the city, the chairman of the several committees connected with the celebration, and whoever else the president of the club may see fit to name. All arrangements will be made by the house committee. This "home comers" reception promises to be a very elaborate one, in keeping with the other receptions given by the club.

improvements in Independence Park An interesting meeting of the Chariotte park and tree commission was
held in the office of the chairman,
Mr. D. A. Tompkins, late yesterday
afternoon. Mr. John Nolen, the architect of the commission, was present
to advise with the board relative to
the improvements in progress at Inthe improvements in progress at In-dependence Park. The designs were considered carefully and all the final details were satisfactorily arranged. Mr. Noien stated that he was highly pleased with what had already been done and hoped that the plans would be executed at an early date. Independence Park, with its two fine lakes can be made into one of the most charming little parks in the South, declares Mr. Nolen. The only thing needed just now is a little more for the improvements.

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#### THE WEATHER.

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The following invitation is being sent out: "The annual convention and banques of the North Carolina Division of the Travelers Protective Association, of America, May 11th, Greensboro, K. of P. Hall. The convention will convene at 3:20 p. m."

### HOLIDAY NOTICE!

Thursday May 10th., being a legal holiday, the banks of Charlotte will be closed the entire day.

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Applicants must show diplom

from a reputable medical college, a certificate of good moral character, signed by two physicians known to the board, and pay a fee of ten dollars before admission to the exami-

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