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PRIDAY, AUGUST 24, 1906,

RAILROADS AND THEIR RATES. and signed "A. T. L." Its writer is to political policies to which the South of another State. It was the purpose to get routes established, because this gret that this purpose miscarried. We a Representative in Congress, no mattrust the contribution was, neverthe- ter what his politics, can secure its ably on the eve of some railroad recalled from Washington. A route on egislation in North Carolina and this which there is no business has no expaper has been urging that it is the cuse for existence and, no matter duty of members of the next General what the influence brought in its be-Assembly to accumulate all the facts half, should not be continued. The the end that they may act with full yearly on the Postoffice Department;

it exists. We are not aware that they do exert such control to North Caroline, but it is only the truth to say that, by reason of the activity of damtheir rights in this State they would from Charlotte pulpits within the past soon have none left. What we blame two Sundays, by white ministers, and Wrong.

Our correspondent emerts that the way was issued at \$40 per share, is new valued at \$100, and that upon stockholders receive dividends of 12% per cent. We accept this as correct, the standing of our correspondent being a guarantee of the accuracy of his statements. In view of the amount of this dividend, there ean be no successful convradiction of that fact that freight and passenger rates are too high, yet there is more excuse for these rates than there is for the condition of the track and support of the eminent Mr. Hearst for road-bed of this company on some of the governorship of New York, casuits lines in this State and for the slow ally observes: "Birds of a feather tion, as to this last complaint, that tellectually sterile, socially vulgar and the rapid increase of business has morally obtuse, insults the decent outrun the facilities for handling it, people of the State, irrespective of has been urged for two or three years party, by sceeking the nomination of and is threadbare. We had no idea a political party by advancing dolthat the Southern is so great a money- lars and not ideas, and by methods maker. Clearly if it has not facilities akin to those of the blackmailer, no it makes money enough to buy them thinking man could doubt where Murand to make its tracks safe; and in phy could be found." The distinthis connection the statements that guished Mr. Jerome has evidently been

freight and passenger rates, The Ob- by accompanying it with the galling eduction of intra-State freight we've been studying about The Legislature has no control inter-State rates. Passenger mands of justice, which the now, is on their part are entitled to ould not be denied.

weekly service because of the fact that they are not sufficiently patronized to justify the Postofice Department in keeping up a daily service.

He furnishes The Messenger a list of the routes in his district, with the number of pieces of mail carried on each during the quarter ended December 31, 1905, and "this report," we are told, "shows that on many routes the mail service handles very lant. routes the mail service handles very lanta.

rontes the mail service handles very little matter." Our contemporary, further discussing the subject, says:

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North Carolina and other Southern States have been discontinued or threatened with discontinuance on the ground that almost no mail was carried on them, and the cry has been made that this was done for political and sectional reasons, because these In yesterday's Observer was a strik- routes are in the South. This is partig communication from Asheville, san nonsense. This great govern-"Rates Should Be Reduced," ment, though administered according native North Carolinian and at pres- does not subscribe, is not so small a distinguished lawyer in a city as that. Undoubtedly it is difficult accompany the communication with is a big country and there is lively dene comment in the issue in which mand for them; but where one is esappeared, and it is matter of re- tablished and is decently patronised s, generally read, for we are prob- continuance or if not he should be afbie as to railroad operation, to government loses millions of dollars intelligence when the time comes, and it does not nearly pay expenses; but It is well for the public to have all it meets the needs, serves the conveplence of the people. Still the De-Our correspondent is evidently not very friendly to the railroads but this does not lower the value of the facts he presents. He is "opposed to their receive nor send mail. The distinction he presents accorded to any other corporations or individuals," and so should every-body be. He resents "the political control which the failroads exert in State and national affairs" and we likewise resent this condition wherever likewise resent this condition wherever likewise resent this condition wherever it exists. We are not aware that they

A golden opportunity is presented by recent events, for preachers white age-suit lawyers and other hostile in- and black. Two strong sermons huences, if they did not fight for against lynch law have been preached them for is fighting when they are a third made a deprecatory reference last Sunday to this crime. There is no other direction toward which preferred stock of the Southern Rail- preachers could turn the thoughts of their hearers just now with better hope of practical good results. If the the \$40 they paid for it the white preachers would unite to hold up to their people the hideousness and enormity of this sin, and the colored preachers would thunder to their congregations against the crimes which cause it, a tremendous influence for good would undoubtedly go abroad throughout the State.

The distinguished Mr. Jerome, speaking of the worthy Mr. Murphy's movement of freight. The explana- flock together, and when a person in-

server is on record as in favor of reminder that the dollar dinner "is of at least equalization as to going to be one of the biggest events se first named, so that unjust dis- of its kind ever hetd." Bless your nations may cease, and in favor soul! That is one of the features

should undoubtedly be cut; to up feebly with a couple of questions figure we have no opinion upon for The Observer; but not now, cont information, though leaning temporary. When the dog days end ast 2 cents is too low to answer may talk to you some mers. But not

There are some very fine gentlemen in the insurance business in North w story from Asheville, pub-storday, about peonage on in Charlotta yesterday. It was a & Western Entirond, dogsn't right.

street.

Mr. L. A. Parker left yesterday morning for Marion on business.

Mr. George F. Bason, Jr., left yesterday morning for Gastonia to spend a few days at his home.

Mr. E. R. Preston left last night for New York on legal business.

Rev. Dr. J. Q. Adams, Dr. J. Q. Adams, Jr., Messrs. R. W. Adams and R. E. Poole have returned from Ashe county, where they spent several weeks fishing.

Major William A. Graham sperit last night in the city on his way home to Lincoln county from Huntersville, where he delivered an address yesterday.

Messrs. A. C. Hutchison and T. W. Dixon leave to-day for Tate Springs, Tenn., to visit for a week. Mr. W. J. Huntley and son, Master Walter, of Wadesboro, spent yester-

Mr. T. L. MacRae, of Rockingham, was a Charlotte visitor yesterday.

Mr. Jay D. Lentz, of Concord, spent yesterday in the city, stopping at the

Central.

Mr. G. W. Capps, of Gastonia, was a visitor in the city yesterday.

Col. J. T. Gardner left for his home in Shelby yesterday afternoon after spending a day in the city.

Mr. C. E. Bradshaw, city electrician, returned yesterday morning from a tea days' tria North.

Rev. Dr. J. B. Mack, of College Park, Ga., a former resident of Fort Mill, S. C., spent last night in the city stopping at the Central.

Mr. J. C. Caddell, a well-known insurance solicitor, of Wake Forest, was a visitor in the city last night.

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Mr. P. C. Jenkins, of Winston-Salem, spent last night in the city. Among the visitors in the city last night was Mr. W. R. Murray, of Lin-colutes.

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witness said that he entered her house

pany to succeed Mr. C. C. Hudson, who has resigned. Mr. Hudson retains an interest in the business. He will open a commission office and handle the products of the Hudson Overall

Company, along with the products of a number of similar concerns.

An enthusiastic called meeting of the Central Labor Union was held last night and plans for an elaborate Labor Day celebration were completed. The attendance was unusually large. The programme committee is com-posed of A. J. Williams, J. A. Cone and R. R. Wyrick. Another special meeting will be held next Wednesday night.

Lillie Gilmer is in the lock-up charged with the larceny of a watch from a boarding house, at which the negress was cooking. She will be giv-en a hearing before the mayor this

evening.

Postmaster R. D. Douglas, chairman of the county Republican executive committee, has called a meeting of the committee to be held here Saturday to fix the time for helding the county convention. It will probably be held the latter part of September.

MRS. LONGWORTH ACCEPTS.

President's Daughter Will Unveil Me-Kinley Statue. Cincinnati Special, 22nd, to Washing-

ton Post. Mrs. Nicholas Longworth has acthis connection the statements that the Murphy branch is barely safe and inefficiently operated are interesting and important.

This brings us to the necessity for the sulargement by the next Legislature of the power of the corporation commission. It is idle for it to report tracks and road-bads in bad condition—as it has lately done in the cases of the Yadkin and Chatham roads, as it soon will in the case of the Carolina Central between Hamilet and Wilmington and as sit could in a half dozen other case upon investigation—while it lacks the authority to compel improvement. Touching freight and passenger rates, The Observer, but it ruins the cheering influence of the President with the case of the state of the properties of the componition of th

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nave no thirst or desire for it, an I am now nearly seventy years old My experience and the experience of my friends and neighbors that hay gone and taken your treatment convinces me that your Institution one of the grandest Institutions of earth. May God bless your Institute.

W. T. DIXON.
Hookerton, N. C., Sept. 30, 1904.

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

THE DEATH RECORD.

Mrs. A. A. Parks, of Roaring Gap Correspondence of The Observer.

Elkin, Aug. 22.—Mrs. A. A. Parka died suddenly at her home near Roaring Gap Sunday evening, the 19th instant, aged 53 years. She was sitting in her chair on the porch, talking to her daughter, when the death messenger called and her spirit took its eternal flight. She was a good woman in every sense of the word and her place in the community will be greatly missed. A husband, two sons and two daughters are left to mourn the loss of a loving wife and tender and devoted mother.

Mr. Clayton Horne, of Wilson

Mr. Clayton Horne, of Wil Special to The Observer. Wilson, Aug. 23.—A sad death oc-curred near this city Monday when Mr. Clayton Horne, an excellent young man, died from typhoid fever. There are ten in this family and all are sick with this illness. Trained nurses are in attendance and it is hoped that there will be no more fa-talities.

Mrs. E. H. Allred, of Chatham. Special to The Observer. Greensboro, Aug. 23 .-- Mrs. E. H Greensboro, Aug. 23.—Mrs. E. H. Allred died Wednesday at Bear Creek just as she was being taken from train after a trip to Morganton, where she had been carried to be placed in the State Hospital for the Dr. J. L. Nall, who acc

panied the demented woman to Mor-ganton, had not made arrangements for her entrance to the hospital and

witness said that he entered her house and stole a number of articles, some of them of much value.

Mr. F. M. Brown, who for several morths has been living in New York, has returned to the city and will make his home here in the future. Mr. Brown has been elected secretary and treasurer of the Hudson Overall Company to succeed Mr. C. C. Hudson, who has resigned. Mr. Hudson retains an interest in the business. He will

COMMISSION AT MAXTON.

Roadbed of Seaboard tween Hamlet and Personal Mention, special to The Observer.

Maxton, Aug. 23.-The corporation ommission, Messrs, McNeill, Rogers and Beddingfield, stopped here yesand Beddingfield, stopped here yesterday morning on a four of inspection of the Seaboard Air Line Railroad from Hamlet to Wilmington. They were met at the station and cordially received by a large number of the citizens of Maxton who had been notified of their coming by McLean & Black, attorneys of this place, who have had some correspondence with the commission and were preparing to file a petition by the citizens along the line making complaint against the condition of the roadbed. It is hoped that some practical results will hoped that some practical results will follow upon the investigation of the

commissioners.

Mrs. Adolphus McLead, of Florids, is visiting friends in Maxton.—Mr. James A. Shaw is at home for a few weeks after attending the summer law school at Chapel Hill.—Mr. D. R. Barnes has returned home from a trip to Jonesboro and Greensboro.—Mrs. Hammond, of Opelika, Ala., who has been visiting friends here for several weeks, left Tuesday morning.—Mr. Hector McLean returned from Tate Springs this morning.

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Meriden, Conn., York Herald. At the annual convention of

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WANTED Assistant drug clerk with three or more years' experienced. D. C. B., care Observer,

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WANTED—For U. S. army, able-bodied, unmarried men, between ages of H and S. 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. 60 South Main street, Asheville, N. C. Bank Building, Hickory, N. C., or Glens Building, Spartanburg, S. C., or Glens

A BARGAIN—One new rotary Neostyle for making copies of letters. Yar-borough & Beilinger Co. DR. E. R. RUSSELL has returned from Europe and will be at his office for consultation at his regular hours.

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If so, we have some elegant stylish trousers at \$3.50 and \$5.00.

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Are going at a big discount. Blue Serge Coats are being closed out at less than to-day's wholesale price.



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"Dilworth" \$2.50, Hawes \$3 and Stetson \$3.50 and \$5; in all the new blocks of soft and stiff; blacks and colors are here now. CARHARTT OVERALLS \$1

Last week we advertised them for \$1.25 but we are going to sell them out at \$1.

"Sargent" Railroad Glove \$1.25 You can't beat this if you try.

Get An "Emery"

And if your wife does choke you, it won't, for it's the best fitting shirt to-day for \$1 and \$1.50. Fall styles are on sale. Neat colors white plaited and full dress.

Wear Scriven's Drawers

We sell the new patent brown jeans, regular sizes at \$1 and extras at \$1.25; and the knee, full elastic drawers in real thin material for 50c.

