

A STRONG PLBA FOR JOHN L.

A POOR SCRIBER SPEARS FOR HIM
The Famous Old English is Described as a Man of Good Habits and Docile Ways—He Would Not Try to Make a Rough House for Anybody and it is Believed That the Police Officers Could Control Him if He Became Naughty—The Fine Art of Boating is Upheld in a Unique Way—The Right Sort of Hit Would Help the Politician.

The following letters have been received at the Male Pen. It was addressed to "Mr. Redbubble—uv the char-Observer" and it came from Strawberry Hill, N. C. The epistle reads:

I kno yu hav a rool about not puttin papers in yo paper unless the riters name is shined—I cant name my nam because I am shamed uv my ritin an spellin—as ar I am a meenin no harm want yu to put this please in. I kno I kaint much on education, but I kno a man when I see one—as I did the grate champion uv the world—that was—wud cum to charlot for he is a man lik them Greks I herd Mr. McCall tel about in one uv his ritary speeches—herd Mr. Scriver Clarkin tel about that old prize ritin articles—but from what I gathurd from him hergeses never seed the day when he cud stan befo John L.—that fore rounds he challenges any bodis to stan—a doctor tel me John L. was the best specimen uv a man that this or the uther century has put up an I hav awl ways wanted to see him—I was glad to reed yo please a fu days ago teling he was cumin—I so yu is mad now about him not cumin—an I am mad like yu—whats the cents in kep'n John L.—away—he is a law abidin citizen—he dont do nothin but stentificaly handi the weapons the good Lord giv him in plenty—why he is so law abidin that yu remember a little politesman in Nashville Tennessee arn't him for ritin Jake Kilbrane—as John L.—was lik a baby in the hans uv the law—yo excelant oveser—my sargent Tharington or sargent Pits or any—or col-Tim black who was a gaint soider an so often lisond to the musick of the minney—thats mak no bones about takin John L.—if necessary—I kno yu hav the best police force in the south—but I kno thairs aint one uv them not eva col-Tom black—who cud run 2 mile with-out a stop—I kno yu hav the best way to cum—to the site uv him mit in-eypre them—so they cud ketch awl the blythe figurs in Charlotte.

agn—if John L.—was to cum—it wud anamate sum uv our yung men who carry pale kontanance an who dont kno how to breathe an who dont git their lungs ful uv fresh air uvce a month—to exercise themselves to mak men uv themselves as well as to mak money—they wud go to work every day thairs no musick so thays wud soon be abl to war their cotes insted uv havin to tote them on thaire sholders—on the streets—an if awi-our boys north and south wud lisen to John L.—tauk 6n physical exercise they wud be ways be able to stan up to the lades set down anywhar—as to nock out the man who didnt—this is one of the most brutifulest kustoms of the south an the hole world taunks about it an we was prevoure it as a special mark uv the galaxy uv our riters in the world—I cum nigh havin a fit with a very unpleasant man not long gon bye—what do yu rekone he sed to me who knos so well how things ware befo the war—why he sed the south is becomin yankind an it is losin its chevalries—I was about to nock him sinseles knoin the south is the home uv awl the esenses uv avilias shun that maks life wurd livin—I was redy to mau'p him—when I thot uv thos men who riters the hars uv our trains whare lades air—with thair cotes off—an I tel yu it just paralyzed my arm—thos felows need a dosen Johns to pitch them out uv the windos—we kan stan the nu fads beter than we kan fikonkialic shattering uv the deer old chevalries that hav played the south ahead uv awl nashuns in the ameenities uv life—I hope awl uv these infrayntments uv our old kustoms will cease, so if I ever go north I can tel with pryde uv southern chevalrie two—like it use to be.

tho my spellin may be sumwhat inkoret I hate narow gage minds as well as ralerodes—an it dox seam to me—it is narow not to let the grate champion uv the manli art to cum—so the cumin generashun uv men mit lurn to reli on thaire musela in a file insted uv a nife or pistol—it is beter to nock a man down whin he insults yu an then mak up as they almost awl ways do—than to kill him—an it is beter to hav John L.—mak the boys an inspyre thim to exercise an feel good—from the red blud leopis thru thair vases—than it is for the boys to disease thaire harts by swillin awl the Coco Cola kurse in forwair.

thair is one thing goin on rite under yu officers knoses wurse than if awl the pris sters from Tomy Sayers to the present war to put up at yo sine an hotel the selfwind for a year—an thair is cigaretes—thair is carryin the boys to bet wurse than an armie with or without baners—I had a dream unce an thot I was in tofet an sultan was shoin me roun—I dreamed I saw awl the yung men thaire punf smoke—I asked him about it—he sed they was the cigarete brigade he was transin to teach the boys on altho an to poison them with the germs uv consumption an insanity—when I waked up—I realize'd it was no dream uv the brigade befo had comenced work up heer befo I wok up.

now what Harm is thair in John L.—cumin—he aint got no milk kine—nor tifoid basile—he dont smoke cigaretes—hes two much man for thair—as if he had—the kood never hav his the John L.—the world has admird for his manhood—he will hav to drink our watur germs or no germs—for John wont drink blynde tigur whiskey an uv coarse a giunt lik John L.—seyur potesny his hart with coocold—now what Mr. Redbubble—why shudnt John cum—yu hav awl kind germs—yu hav blynde tigur whiskey—yu hav cigaretes—an yu hav officers who cud mak John be quick if he was had think now quick—Pits or the chief wood mak John git wise—so the onliest thing hav agin John is his boxin—now didnt I heer Guverner vance tel about roscoe Konklin's grate Senator uv the United States hold a grate boxer an didn't Teddy Roosevelt to cum an show him how to think it is a grate wasted shame not to let John cum—we can hav averses and fig-leaf women an fashun thos that is bad with suggestions for the boys and we kan hav terribl fites avilias men at a time—called foot-boxin—can cant hav John L.—cant see him put his hans up lik he did for avilias peupl in neerly awl the city uv the wud—I want to see John—thaire air thousands do—for twenty years he trapped the Stars and Stripes around him an stood agin a wud cant see him bring none in the wud world—now the stinger—the south owes John muchin for thair—I dont mean nothin agin our recorder by my please—for I want to see him—so kno he is honest an a grate man—so kno agin him—Mr. Redbubble please see yu is a polites to get John heer—if he will cum when he knos about the germs an the blynde figurs an so forth—so I so treat and admire, I so want to see John.

PROGRAMME OF CONVENTION.

The Work of the Meeting of the Convocation of Charlotte Mapped Out—Interesting Reports and Addresses—What Each Mission is Entitled To—The programme which appears below gives some idea of the interesting meeting of the Convocation of Charlotte which is to be held in this city October 10, 11 and 12. The convocation will be attended by ministers and laymen from all the territory embraced in this and the western part of the State.

Programme of the Convocation of Charlotte at St. Peter's Episcopal Church, Charlotte, This Day and Friday, October 10th and 11th.

WEDNESDAY, OCT. 10, 3 P. M. Evening Prayer, Confirmation Service and Sermon by the Rt. Rev. J. B. Cheshire.

THURSDAY, OCT. 11, 10 A. M.—Organization of Convocation.

11 A. M.—Morning Prayer, Sermon and Holy Communion. Preacher, Rev. H. C. Coker; Alternate, Rev. T. G. Faulkner.

3 P. M.—Reports of Ministers, Parish and Mission Treasurers, Treasurer and Archdeacon of Convocation, etc., etc.

5 P. M.—Laying of the Cornerstone of St. Peter's Parish House.

8 P. M.—Evening Prayer and Addresses on Convocational Missions.

I.—"The Field," the Rt. Rev. J. B. Cheshire.

II.—"What is Being Done," Mr. C. E. Frick, Treasurer of Convocation.

III.—"What Should Be Done," the Ven. E. A. Osborne, Archdeacon.

IV.—"How We Can Do It," Rev. Francis M. Osborne, Secretary of Convocation.

FRIDAY, OCT. 12, 7:30 A. M.—Holy Communion.

10 A. M.—Business Session, Reports of Men's Missionary Leagues and Conference.

11 A. M.—Morning Prayer and Sermon; Preacher, Rev. F. J. Murdock; Alternate, Rev. E. L. Ogilby.

3 P. M.—Conference and Thompson Orphanage Work.

8 P. M.—Evening Prayer and Address on "The Men's Missionary League." First Speaker, Rev. M. A. Barber; Alternate, Rev. A. R. Berkley.

Second Speaker, Hon. J. C. Buxton; Alternate, Hon. J. S. Henderson.

(1.) Ministers will please send their names and the names of lay delegates to Mr. J. L. Sexton, secretary of St. Peter's church, Charlotte.

(2.) Delegates from the various parishes are entitled to two each and each parish to three lay delegates.

(3.) Each branch of the Men's Missionary League in this convocation is asked to send a delegate and a report of work being done.

The Chautauqua Tickets Go on Sale at 10 O'Clock To-Day.

Season tickets and reserved seat tickets for each performance and for the whole week of the chautauqua go on sale at the box office of the Academy of Music this morning, at 10 o'clock.

Season tickets can also be had at Jordan's drug store, Houston & Dixon's book store, of Rev. Mr. Lynch, the blind news dealer at the Burwell & Dunn corner, and from Manager D. L. Reid by telephoning to him at No. 1877.

Tickets will be on sale at the box office at the Academy each day from 10 o'clock in the morning till the hour for the evening performance.

Reserved seats cannot be sold at more than one place and that will be at the box office.

The management of the chautauqua has made it a rule that no free tickets will be given anybody, except newspaper reporters; not even the board of directors are given passes.

William Gorrell and His Picture in the Observer.

"William how do you like your picture as it appeared in The Observer this morning?" asked a member of the Southern Manufacturers' Club of William Gorrell yesterday.

"I don't know sir. I lacked de picture uv de nigger all right but it look to me sorter lak dey had him in er coffin. But it'll do."

William was busy all day answering questions concerning his picture. Everybody who went up in the club interrogated him. Some were so bold as to say that the popular janitor looked like a nigger.

Others declared he had the bearing of a full-blood African prince. It would be difficult which he considered the hardest slam.

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THE PROGRAMME TO-DAY.

The Dalley Quartette, Hobart Smock and Richardson's Orchestra Will Furnish Sweet Music and Dr. Sears and Rev. Sam P. Jones Will Deliver Addresses.

The Greater Charlotte Chautauqua begins in earnest to-day. At 4:30 o'clock this afternoon an interesting programme of music will be rendered by Hobart Smock and the Dalley Quartette. Mr. Smock will sing the following songs:

1. "Indian Love Lyrics." By Annie Woodford Puiden. "Temple Bells." "Less Than the Dust." "The Kashmir Song." "I'll I Wake."

2. "Morning." By Huntington Woodman. "Ask Me No More." By Gilbert Spröss.

Dr. H. W. Sears will deliver a humorous address on "More Taffey and Less Epitaphy." He is a speaker of great force and charm.

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