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VILS OF SLAVERY.

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# HICKORY TO CELEBRATE.

tizens Preparing a Programme for Fourth of July Observance—The New Aldermen Very Busy—Work on the New Freight Station.

Special to The Observer. of the glorious fourth was fully decided upon at a citizen's meeting in the Hickory Club rooms on Wednes-

mittees were appointed to take charge

greatest men always the best floats, representing the vari- county roads in better condition. be the most ous business and manufacturing enthe veterans can lead the line of extended them where they can gather and spend the day pleasantly. Aside from the Southern Symphony and other bands which will furnish mus-

ic, it is hoped a drum corps can be I depplore slavery,' said secured for the occasion. The stores ry. I see that prudence will only be closed for a short time in ition.' Henry Clay as- the afternoon, so those coming with The evils of slavery are the view of shopping can do so in Since the swearing in of the new

follow from sudden, gen- city board, there have been many Indiscriminate emancipa- municipal duties, which has occupied again he says: 'If I were much of their time, mapping out the the greatest blessing on various lines of new work, such as heaven, in its mercy, widening the streets, extending the on this nation, it would fire limits, making new ordinances and tration of the two most other duties pertaining to the city's

J. D. Elliott, contractor, for the new Mr. freight depot, who commenced same Virginia, went farther in a few days ago, tells me he expects e traffic is infernal. To to complete the structure in a few

The graded school committee will meet next 'Thursday evening, June 6, for the purpose of electing a principal of the Hickory graded school to succeed D. K. McRae. I am informed that they already have seventeen applications enrolled.

The latest business change on the square is the moving of W. O. Player, furniture dealer, from the Abernethy & Whitener building on College street to the Whitener-Stroup building on North Park place, recently vacated

# BUSINESS PROPERTY INVOLVED.

have been so unjustly and Case Been Going on Since Last Wednesday and a Hard Legal Fight is Being Waged. Special to The Observer.

aws, delivered a rousing at a the "Development of the Service. The committee made their report and the constitution and by-laws which were drafted were accepted by the asselation.

The constitution and by-laws are now in the hands of the printers and will be put in phamphlet form in or-Hickory, May 31.—The celebration der that every carrier may have a copy, Mr. T. S. Royster was elected a delegate from the association to the meeting of the State Convention of Rural Letter-carriers which meets Durham July 4th. Mr. Henkle, 01

Lowesville, was elected alternate del-Mr. Rankin, road supervisor of the a of this occasion and map out a programme of amuse- River Bend section was present at the ment, which will, when put before meeting for the purpose of getting inthe public, give the people of this and formation regarding the King Road adjoining counties the best day ever Drag which he wants to use in his witnessed in this part of the State. neighborhood. After a deliberate discareer of maritime Among the attractions will be a bal- cussion on the road drag the associaloon ascension, horseback tournament, tion decided to get literature on the in a single case been automobile, bidycle, foot and pig King Road Drag, believing that it had with Mediterranean ports, re-

A collection of \$6.50 was taken by in the country. terprises about town. Reduced rates the association for Mr. Paul Lindsay, g the statesman of will be offered on all incoming rail- of Georgia, president of the National nted danger in the great roads for the occasion. It is in hopes Association of Rural Letter-Carriers, who mortgaged his own home in orand the question that march. There will be nice quarters der to bring about legislation for the good of the rural letter carriers. Mr. Lindsay remained in Washington during the last session of Congras, at his own expense and secured a raise in the salaries of all carriers and this collection was for the reimbursing him

> for a part of the money spent. After the meeting the carriers were entertained at dinner at the Morris Cafe as the guests of the Gastonia

carriers. An elegant and sumptious dinner was served and the out-oftown carriers expressed themselves as greatly pleased at the hospitality of the Gastonia boys.

The next semi-annual meeting will be held in Mount Holly, Monday, September 1st. Great preparations are already being made for this meeting and a good programme will be given. Mr. J. B. Spence, postmaster of Charlotte, has already accepted an invitation to be present and it is very likely that Hon. E. Y. Wegg and other prominent speakers will be present on this day. The meeting here yesterday was a great success in every way,

both Senators Overman and Simmons were to have been here; but Mr. Overman was detained in Washington on account of the Bownsville investigation and Mr. Simmons could not come on account of flegal engagements.

CUP OF SORROW OVERFLOWS.

Mr. H. F. Pridmore Loses His Eleven-Months'-Old Child-Court - of General Sessions Convenes June 24th-Talk of a Small Baseball

League-Other Notes. special to The Observer. Gaffney, S. C., May 31 .- The sym-

ted against them and saying inless it is settled immediately, t will cause untold injury to French

The naval reserves compromise nearly the entire maritime population ingaged in sefaring life and number about 117,000 men, of whom 25,000 are serving in the navy. In addition to practically all the sallors of the mercantile marine most of the longshoremen belong to the maval reserve The strike was declared by xecutive committee of the National Seamen's Union because the government's new bill increasing pensions from \$40.80 to \$72.50 in the case of seamen and from \$156 to \$200 in the that Napoleon presented to him a case of captains is regarded by the cross of honor at St. Helena He had members of the union as being inadequate.

The tie-up is almost complete at the Mediterranean, Atlantic and channel ports. The crews generally left their ships and the government commissioned transports and torpedo boats and torpedo boat destroyers to carry on the mail service with the colonies

The French trans-Atlantic Steamship Company announced this evening that neither La Provence nor La Gascogne would be able to sail for New York to-morrow, every man of both crews having abandoned their ships.

## DUN'S REVIEW OF TRADE.

t Some Points the Last Week of May Brought Pronouncied Imrovement in Commercial Activity, But the Holiday Retarded Recovery and Progress is Slow.

New York, May 31.-1. J. Dun & Co.'s wekly review of trade to-morrow will say: into

Seasonable merchandise goes distribution slowly, which causes accumulation of spring and summer dry goods and millinery in the hands of dealers and retards collections, while making operations for fall and winter much more conservative. At some points the last week of May brought pronounced improvement in commercial activity, but the holiday retarded recovery and progress is slow. Manufacturing plants are producing at full capacity in most industries, orders covering output far into the future, and More New England cotton mill employes have received advanced making the change affect wages, about \$5,000 hands. Another evidence of progress in cotton spinning was the increase in quarterly dividends at Fall River to 2.21 per cent., against 1.32 last year.

Current transactions in the iron industry are of comparaand steel tively little significance owing to the enormous tonnage of business under contract that will maintain activity far into the future. Output of pig iron is probably beyond all preced-

Increased difficulty in securing deliveries is noted in the cotton goods industry, most mills being sold so far ahead that buyers are apprehensive regarding supplies, which prevents the high level of prices from having pathy of the people of Gaffney goes the natural effect of producing conservatism. Curtailment of production will be unavoidable notwithstanding the general advance in wages. Exinquiries have increased both port inquiries have increased both Indian and Red Sea orders appearing, while the Chinese market is more ac-As to woolens, the past week tive. has witnessed the opening of important lines of staples, but at such irregular prices that the trend of the market is not established. Footwear manufacturers are makng small concessions on light weight goods.

It is alleged that jealou cause of the killing

DIES AT THE AGE OF 107.

Robert Ambler Bruce Passes Away in Richmond Alms House.

Richmond, Va., May 31 .- Robert Ambler Bruce, 107 years old, died in the city alms hou se here to-He was born at West Overhall, Ac comae county, Virginia, and was the son of Wallace Bruce, of Virginia, his wife Perita Argentine, of Chiapas, He was a veteran of many Mexico. wars and boasted of having seen Na poleon Bonaparte in 1817. He said travelled a great deal and declared he had become acquainted with many celebrities. He claimed to be a Mason, and if he was, it is said, he was

the oldest Mason in the world.

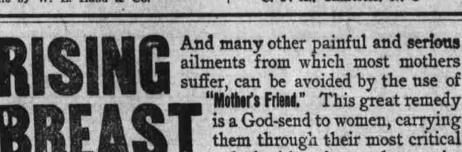
Twelve Stout Negroes Selected as Pall-Bearers.

Louisville, Ky., May 31.-Martha Johnson, whose weight is 511 pounds, died early to-day of heart failure. She was 62 years old. The undertaker who was called said that fluid sufficient to embalm six ordinary persons was necessary in preparing the wo-man's body for burial. The casket is six feet long and three feet wide and twenty-one inches deep. Twelve stout negroes have been selected as pall-bearers.

#### Mills to Grant 5 Per Cent. Increase in Wages.

Boston, Mass., May 31 .- Notices of increases in wages generally of five per cent., were posted to-day at cotton mills in Lawrence, Mass., Augusta, Me., and Exeter and Pittsfield, N. H. In all about 10,000 operatives will be benefitted.

RELIEF FROM RHEUMATIC PAINS. "I suffered with rheumatism for over two years," says Mr. Rolland Curry, a patrolman, of Key West, Fla. "Some-times it settled in my knees and lamed me so I could hardly walk at other times it would be in my feet and hauds so J was incapacitated for duity. Cne right when I was in severe pain rad lame from it my wife went to the drug store here and came tack with a bothe of Chamberlain's Pain Balm. I was rub-bed with it and found the pain had near-ity gone during the night. I kept on using it for a little more than two weeks and found that it drove the rheumatism away. I have not had any trouble from that disease for over three months." For RELIEF FROM RHEUMATIC PAINS. that disease for over three mo sale by W. L. Hand & Co.



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and local stations. Pullman Room sleeper, Charlotte to 7:1b p. m., No. 24, daily exce for Statesville, Taylorsville Points, Connects at Statesville

and points west." 8:35 p. m., No. 48, daily, for Pullman sleeper and day coaches lotte to Atlanta. 9:06 p. m., No. 38, daily, Ne and New Orleans Limited, for V ton and points North. Pullman Room sleeping cars, Observati Club cars to New York. Dining vice. Solid Pullman train.

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Pinehurst, N. C.—Conference for Education in the South, April 9-12; one first-class fare plus (wenty-five cents for the round trip will apply.

Dickson, Tenn.—General Assembly Cumberland Presbyterian Church, May 16-25; one first-class fare plus

twenty-five cents will apply. San Francisco and Los Angeles, Cal.—Imperial Council Order Nobles of the Mystic Shrine, May 6-11; rates based on practically one fare for the round trip will apply: From Raleigh, \$76.50; Wilmington, \$76.50; Charotte, \$76.50.

Birmingham, Ala.-General emply Presbyterian Church in the United States, May 16-25; one first-

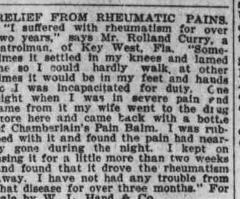
United States, May 16-20; one first-class fare plus twenty-five cents for the round trip will apply Charleston, S. C.—Fifth National Scheutzenfest Nationler Schut Sen Bund Du Veigeinten Staatn Von Amerika, May 6-14; rates on basis one first-class fare plus twenty-five

Club cars to New York. Dining vice. Solid Pullman train. 9:35 p. m., No. 25. daily, for and points South. Pullman Room sleepers to New Orleans mingham. Day coaches Washin New Orleans. Dining car serv 10:45 p. m., No. 29. daily, for C Savannah and Jacksonville. Drawing Room sleeper and day Washington to Jacksonville. Tickets, sleeping car reservati detail information can be obt ticket office, No. 11 South Tryo C. H. ACKERT. Vice Pres. and Gen S. H. HARDWICK, P. W. H. TATLOB, G. P Washington. cents will apply. For rates from other points, dates of sales, etc., apply to Seaboard Agent or the undersigned

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m that Mr. Lincoln t rest all doubts as to ity for the conflict in th Medill, of The Chie, as given by Miss Tar-Life of Lincoln." 'Gentleeported as saying, 'after ago has been the chief n bringing this war to The Northwest opposed a New England opposed you, Medill, who are for making blood . You called for war un-

UL ECZEMA CURE.

Spartanburg, S. C., May 31 .- A suit out to our esteemed fellow townsinvolving the possession of business property, valued at more than \$60,000 O. Purdy, who is presiding over the common pleas court, and half a dozen lawyers. The suit is that of Mrs. R. H. Mitchell, formerly of this city, e system, the States of but now of Chicago, against J. tucky and Tennessee Allen and others, The action grew out engaged in practical of the discovery of an old deed on file the gradual emanci- in the affice of the clerk of court, the laves, and this good existence of which was not known un-

The deed was to Frank Tringnier, of whom Mrs. Mitchell is the sole which they themselves heir. The property it was thought be-im. Promised emanci- longed to Miss Maggie Trimmier and submit itself to at her death the land was sold and the proceeds divided among her nearest owners made extensive improvements by erecting business houses .Should the jury in the case render a verdict in favor of the plaintiff, she will of

course be responsible to the purchasments, The case has been on trial since last Wednesday morning and the lawyers on both sides are making a hard fight.

SUPT. EVANS RE-ELECTED.

Trustees of the City Schools Engage Several Additional Teachers. Special to The Observer.

Spartanburg, S. C., May 31 .- The rustees of the city schools have reelected Mr. Frank Evans as superintendent of the city school and in addition to re-electing all of the present corps of teachers have elected several additional teachers for next year. Prof. S. M. Jenkins, of Yorkville, has been elected principal of the Magnolla street school to succeed Prof. H. T. Shockley who recently tendered his city, and a graduate of Converse College who has been teaching in the Baptist High School at Landrum, Miss

Dickson, of Abbeville, are the new teachers. The trustees have added another grade, increasing the number from nine to ten grades. No additional studies will be added but the work will be strung out so as to not crowd the pupils too much in their work.

JEFFERSON DAVIS' BIRTHDAY.

Anniversary to be Observed at Gastonia, Monday, June 3d-Crosses of Honor to be Delivered. Special to The Observer.

Gastonia, May 31 .- Monday, June

3d, being the anniversary of the birth of Jefferson Davis, president of the Southern Confederacy, the Gastonia chapter United Daughters of the Confederacy will observe the occasion with an annual celebration. The exercises will be held in the library at 11 o'clock. Devotional exercises will be conducted by Rev. W. H. Hardina and Rev. John Hall. The address will be delivered by Mr. L. M. Hoffman, of

to be present, as there are crosses of storms. had exama for five A Adama, Henrisita, home doctors said the his lungs being afnot received them. Each veteran will e given an opportunity to make a

man, Mr. H. F. Pridmore, who a few weeks ago buried his wife, and now is engaging the attention of Judge R. he has lost his baby. The child was eleven months old, and was laid to rest yesterday in Oakland Cemetery. The two-months'-old baby of Mr. and Mrs. L. J. S. Carpenter died Tuesday. The remains were taken to

Bessemer City, N. C., for burial. Mr. E. H. Gaines, the enterprising proprietor of Schnapps ginger ale, has established a branch of his business at Bessemer City, N. C. Our Bessemer City friends will find Schnapps a great improvement over the best brand of "moonshine" to which they

have been accustomed. The Court of General Sessions for Cherokee will convene on June 24th, kin. After the property was sold the with Judge R. O. Purdy on the bench. There are four murder cases for trial at this term. Three of these cases, however, were on the docket and continued from the last term, the only case arising since then being the case ers of the property for the improve- of the State vs. William H. Mills for killing Frank Deal. There are fourteen prisoners in jall, Sheriff Thomas

having gotten away from the fatal thirteen There is considerable talk among the baseball fans of getting up a small league, composed of Gaffney, Rock Hill and Yorkville, in South Carolina,

and Gastonia, Shelby and King's Mountain, in North Carolina. With a small salary limit, it is thought that sustaining, as the towns mentioned are all in close proximity, and with convenient schedules on the railroads the circuit would be ideal. It is possible that a meeting will be called within the next few days to discuss the practicability of the scheme.

Quite a number of Gaffney fans went over to Spartanburg yesterday resignation. Miss Maud Hicks, of this and saw the musicians "wallop" the Greenville team. In spite of the fact that Greenville got the worst of the Mary Boyd, formerly a teacher in the public school at Union and Miss Susan Greenville has the better team. battle, it is the opinion of a number

#### Enrolling Book Closed.

Special to The Observer. Spartanburg, S. C., May 31.-The enrolling books of the various ward clubs of the city have closed for the municipal primary election next Tuesday. The total enrollment of all the wards of the city is found to be 2,-700 voters, the largest enrollment in

#### the history of the city. As the date for the election draws near interest grows apace and the candidates and their friends are working hard. The race for mayor is be tween J. F. Floyd and J. B. Lee. Mr. Floyd is serving out his first term. There are a big bunch of candidates in the aldermanic race, there being several candidates from each ward except ward two. Alderman Law making the race for re-election unopposed.

#### Six Negroes Drowned.

Dallas, Tex., May 31 .- Six negroes were drowned near Honey Grove, Tex., last night, as a result of the sudden Dallas, commander of the William rise of the creek. The six were mem-Gamble Camp United Confederate Vet- bers of a family named Stephens and erans., There will be music and light included the parents and children refreshments will be served. Every Railroad schedules in north Texas are veterans in the county will be urged badly crippled as a result of recent

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### CAMERON PARISH IS CUT OFF.

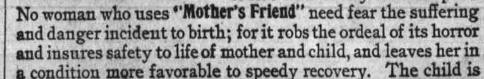
Feared Great Damage Has Been Done There by Flood—Conditions About Lake Charles Worse.

Lake Charles, La., May 31.-There was no communication with Cameron parish to-day, which was reported last night as largely under water from floods caused by rain and Gulf tides. It is feared great damage has been done there.

About Lake Charles conditions are vorse than they were last night, the Calcasu river having risen two feet since noon. All sawmills have been forced to close.

Railroad Bridge Washed Away. Beaumont, Tex., May 31 .- The Gulf. Colorado & Santa Fe Texas bridge across Pine Island Bayou, eight miles north of Beaumont, was washed away last night by high water. Ten inches of rain has fallen since Wednesday a league of this kind would be self- night. Railroad tracks in all directions are damaged.

A NARROW ESCAPE. G. W. Cloyd, a merchant, of Plunk, Mo., had a narrow escape four years ago, when he ran a jimson our into his thumb. He says: "The doctor wanted to amputate it but I would not consent. I bought a box of Bucklen's Arnica Salve and that cured the dangerous wound." '25c. at all druggists.



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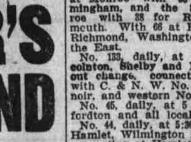
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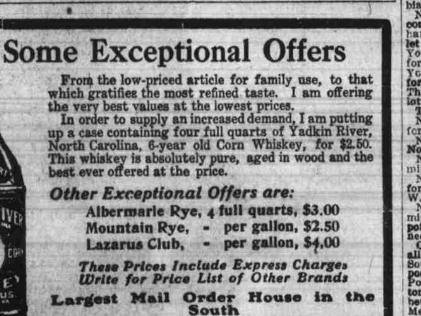
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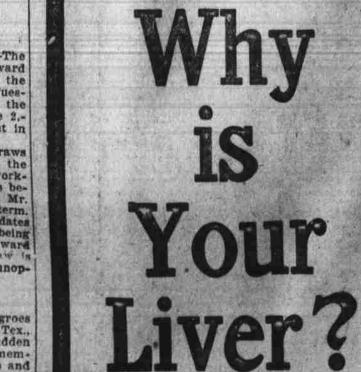
# Languid Liver

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