

ANNOUNCEMENT.
The following is a list of the names of the correspondents who have been appointed for the coming year. It is in no case a responsibility of the editor to give the names of correspondents when they are demanded for the purpose of personal satisfaction. The editor reserves the right to refuse to give the names of correspondents when they are demanded for the purpose of personal satisfaction. The editor reserves the right to refuse to give the names of correspondents when they are demanded for the purpose of personal satisfaction.

FRIDAY, JUNE 1, 1907.

ESSENTIAL EXHORTATIONS.

The President's speech yesterday at which, upon the fiftieth anniversary of the first agricultural exhibition in America—well, Roosevelt did just how to be a good mechanic, also how to be a good husband or wife or son, and he gave full instructions in each case. But he also said that that was to the point. The country's need of industrial progress with the fullest and most efficient recognition from the Government is eminently in the principles of our doctrine that we should furnish the average industrial training for every skilled workman. By the immigration laws we protect ourselves against the competition of pauper labor at the time when we contend for the world high efficiency in the ranks as well as in the home.

What the American workman fears is the competition of the skilled workingman of the greatest industrial efficiency. "Too often," says the President, "schools train away from the forge; and this fact, with the abandonment of the apprentice system, has resulted in the absence of facilities for prolonged journeymen that in our trades almost all the working men are forlornly sure this means that there is some systematic method of training young men in the trade that this must be co-ordinated with the public school system. A vocational school can turn out a journeyman; but it can furnish material out of which a journeyman can be made, just as a vocational school furnishes the material which enables its graduates to become engineers." In the most labor unions have a point of opposing just such a course as that acquiescence in the President's speech as nearly unanimous as it is. The President deals out advice to those who entertain the idea that to earn \$12 a week and \$15 is better than to earn \$10 and call it "wages." Here is the excellent advice: "A young man who has the courage to refuse to enter the field of the so-called profession and to take to constructive industry is almost sure of an ample reward, in health, in opportunity, and to establish a life with reasonable freedom from the farmer that the farmer who owns his own farm makes the pre-eminently typical man. He does not fall to the marked drift of the drift toward the city, but he is largely determined by the superior social opportunities to be enjoyed there, by the business and movement of the country. Considered from the point of national efficiency, the problem of the farm is as much a problem of attractiveness as it is a problem of prosperity. It has ceased to be a problem of growing wheat and cattle. There are libraries, assembly halls, social organizations of all kinds. Farm buildings are commended both for their social value and because they are the diffusion of the vast body of cultural knowledge gained by the Department of Agriculture. The initial number of Uncle Remus's Magazine, with Mr. Joel Chandler Harris as editor, has made its appearance. The venture is rich with promise. To say that it is to be under the directing hand of Mr. Harris is enough. "It will preach a cheerful philosophy and practice a reasonable tolerance." Its purpose shall be "to obliterate ignorance" of the South in other sections and it "will deal with the higher ideals toward which the best and ripest Southern thought is directed." Fiction will be one of its main features. In addition to the editorial the editor has two stories in the first number—stories in his own hand. Typographically it is a beautiful production. It is published by the

measures which the public mind needs—a clearer note as to the increasing aggressions of the Federal power upon the functions of the States, which seem to be only too willing to surrender them to the government at Washington. Mr. Tamm recognizes in this growing tendency a menace to the autonomy of the States and danger that the general government will ultimately absorb them and administer the domestic affairs of their people, to the destruction of local self-government and to its own conversion into a great, central, all-powerful bureaucracy. It will be detected that for the existing condition, with the evils which it foreshadows, the speaker arraigns the State rather than the Federal government, and there is much reason in his argument, the States being eager to shrink their just responsibilities and to unload them on the general government.

The speech was a striking one and must make an impression upon thinking men. It was a companion-piece, so to speak, to the address in New York some months ago by Secretary Root, if we interpreted the latter correctly, which at the time was variously construed as an argument for and against centralization in government; as an argument in favor of and in opposition to the larger exercise by the States of their own powers.

We are proud to have The Baltimore News endorse The Observer's suggestion that the descendants of the signers of the Mecklenburg Declaration of Independence meet, organize and celebrate in due form, but weep to see it say: "The Observer's proposal is a good way to raise the question whether the Mecklenburg claim is well founded. . . . By organizing and making a demonstration at Jamestown the Mecklenburgers will get into the limelight, and historical criticism will be focused upon them with results that are likely to be conclusive." Bless your soul! The question of the soundness of the claim was raised and settled, in its favor, years and years ago. And it is not proposed to have the organization and demonstration at Jamestown but here in Charlotte, where the Declaration was made. Our Baltimore contemporary must come down and help. The day of historical criticism has passed, and the results have been entirely conclusive to all impartial students of history. What is proposed now is not to discuss, though discussion will not be avoided, but to celebrate.

Said Col. Wm. J. Bryan in his Patrick Henry day address at the Jamestown Exposition: "When I find a man who is constantly talking against government ownership of railroads I believe he is doing it for his own interests." "Nobody excepting Mr. Bryan is unselfish and sincere; nobody who differs from him is governed by principle or is honest in his views. Verily, the Democratic party has a hard master."

THE DEATH RECORD.

Death of an Infant at Wilson.
Special to The Observer.
Wilson, May 31.—Dianna Rountree, infant daughter of Mr. and Mrs. E. T. Barnes, died yesterday morning and was buried yesterday afternoon. The funeral services were conducted at the residence by Rev. T. A. Cheatham, rector of the Episcopal church.

Mrs. Nancy Klutz, of Rowan.
Special to The Observer.
Salsbury, May 31.—The oldest woman in Rowan county died this morning when Mrs. Nancy Klutz, vigorous to the last, yielded to a short, sharp illness that was too much for her. She passed away at the home of her son-in-law, Mr. S. G. Jones, in Steele township about 12 miles from Salsbury. Her death was the result of paralysis, which she suffered in partial incapacity Sunday, although she maintained consciousness until two days ago. Up to Sunday she had been able to work about the house and possessed unusual activity with good eyesight.

Mrs. Klutz was married but once and her husband died about 12 years ago after he had passed the age of 80. They lived together more than 50 years. The surviving children are: Mrs. Sarah M. Jones, Mrs. Rosanna Jones, Callie and Jerry Klutz, all living near her when she died. The funeral will be held to-morrow from St. Luke's Lutheran church in upper Rowan, Rev. Mr. Parker officiating.

Locke Craig for Governor.
To the Editor of The Observer:
If there is any such thing as party or political gratitude, Locke Craig will be the next Democratic nominee for Governor of North Carolina. We do not ask for his nomination only because of his loyal party service, nor because of any sectional or geographical consideration, but because of his pre-eminent moral and intellectual equipment for his high position to which he aspires. Your correspondent thinks that as a matter of simple justice Mr. Craig should be nominated by acclamation unless all signs fall he will have a solid delegation, from Cleveland.
C. J. WOODSON,
Shelby, May 30, 1907.

THE PROPOSAL.

New York Times.
A very shy fellow was Dusky Sam. As a story of talking as a typical claim. He couldn't talk love to his Angelina. "The" his love grew as fast as Jonah's gourd-vine. So he brought the telephone to his aid to assist in wooing the modest maid. "Miss Angelina, is that you?" called he. "Yes, it is Angelina. Dia me." "I—des wante to say dat—I—loves you—Miss Angelina—" "Yes." "Does you love me, too?" "Yes, yes; of o's I loves my beau—" "Say, what's de reason you want to know?" "Oh—dat de wife. Will you marry me?"

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