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a Fair Hearing—Keep Out of Poli-ties, the Bishop Adds.

Boston, Mass., Aug. 14.-The Cortional Council of the A. M. E. in Church composed of the bishops and general officers assembled here to-day at 10:30 a. m. Bishop J. W. Hood, of Fayetteville, N. C., was elected president. The bishop read his adess, which was as follows:

nide over the Bishops and Council be an issue in politics if we can help for the ensuing term of six months. The president of this body occupies very important position. During is term of office he is chief among his peers. The A. M. E. Zion Church, which is the oldest off-shoot from the mother Methodist Church in this country, is a most important body. The times demand that a race leader should exercise exceeding great care in the expression of his official utterances. He is regarded as speak-ing for the body over which he pre-sides. Whenever a body of represent-ative negroes is assembled the eyes of the nation—are turned toward them. Their utterances are critically examined; and this is a time when a race leader had better keep silent than to speak amiss.

There are those who think that conditions are growing worse. I am very far from taking that view. It seems to me that we have better times than The nations of the earth are all advancing, and the world is growing better. Conditions in our own country are better than ever before. The condition of our race is improving. Our people are doing better themelves, and the sentiment respecting them is improving.

ASTONISHING STATISTICS. I listened to a speech from the beria under of Cieveland. twenty-fifth anniversary of Livings-ton College at Salisbury, N. C., last May, which was truly enecouraging. He gave statistical statements showing the improvement of the negro which were astonishing. Much as I have seen of the progress our people have made, his statements were far beyond my own calculations. The Governor gave very strong evidence of his desire to do justice by all the people, regardless of race or color; and I am sure he uttered the sentiment of a very large portion of the white people of

Since that time I have read an address delivered by Editor Watterson, of Louisville, Ky. (Mr. Watterson is possibly the greatest living political editor-a man well known and having a large influence in every part this land). Nothing more encouraging to the negro race could be uttered than such an address from such a man.

There have been some very re-markable happenings in a very recent period. Not many months ago a black man was arrested in South Carolina charged with an assault up-To get him away was pursuing him Cumberland county took him to Raleigh, where, by direction of the Governor of North Carolina, he was lodged for safe-keeping in the peni-tentiary until the Governor of South Carolina could be communicated with, The Governor of South Carolina ordered him taken to Columbia,

ulso for safe-keeping. Now, is there another record in the history of this country where the Governors of two States exercised extraordinary powers to save the life of one poor negro? And has there been a former period in which such a thing could have happened? It turned out, finally, that the man was not the man wanted. He was simply a rattle-brained fellow, whose own admissions had brought him into trouble. But this does not change the fact that such an occurance indicates that conditions are improving. I might cite other instances, but I think it unnecessary. I think a great mistake is made in magnifying the dark side of things. No man can travel through this country with provements our people are making, North, South, Feet South, East and West, and yet fail to be encouraged by what his eyes behold. The small and large plantations our people are buying in the South, the increasing of stock upon their farms, the large in-crease in their crops, the better houses in which they are living, and the signs of prosperity everywhere is decidedly encouraging. Not only in the South, where our people constitute a large portion of the popula-tion, but also in the North there is wonderful improvement. Fine dwellings, fine churches and fine parsonages, and a general improvement in every way is seen wherever our people are settled in any consider-

THE BROWNSVILLE AFFAIR. I presume I should hardly be expected to remain silent on a subject which has been so much discussed, namely, the dishonorable discharge of the negro soldiers. With my peo-ple, generally, I feel grateful to Sen-ator Foraker for the effort he has made to secure for the soldiers a fair hearing. In fact, from the time that Senator Foraker, as a soldier in the civil war, opened the way for the success of the manoeuvres of Sher-man's army in North Carolina by a hazardous night ride, I have studied his career with increasing admiration. I am glad that there seems to be a hope that the report of the Senate committee will place the soldiers in more favorable light.

I have sen nothing to change my original opinion—that had the soldlers been white, and the same reecting their conduct, he would have taken the same action respect-But I do not believe the same kind of report would have been made to him if thte soldiers had white. The officers who now bethat the soldlers were innocent, if they had been commanding white would have taken all posmible care to find the facts before making the report; and the President would not have been imposed by an erroneous report. or in judgment is common to hu-sanity and ought not to be too arably criticised. The discipline of our church for-

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BISHOP HOOD'S ADDRESS.

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By afrangement adopted by the board, it has fallen to my lot to pre-

OLD SOLDIER DIES IN A CHAIR, and Spantanburg and Pickens coun-

Startling Incident at Funeral—Fuc-ulty of Colored Normal School— Last Brick Laid in New Church— News/in Brief. Special to The Observer.

Fayetteville, Aug. 14. — David Baldwin, aged 74 years, a governdier in the United States army, and engaged in the Modoc war, who lived with his sister, Mrs. Kate Holmes, at Lakeview Mills village, died while sitting in his chair Saturday afternoon, just after eating a hearty din-ner. There was a startling incident the baid, the rapture of the operators, during the funeral exercises. As the pall-bearers were carrying the remains from the house to the hearse a handle of the coffin was broken and the latter fell to the brick pavement with a crash, but fortunately remained intact.

The board of directors of the State Colored Normal School in this city has appointed the following faculty: Superintendent, Prof. E. E. Smith; teachers, J. G. Smith and Eugenia Jacobs, Fayetteville; S. A. Grant, Savannah, Ga.; Kate S. Truman, Durham; Mamie S. Roberts, Raleigh. Professor Smith was minister to Liberia under the first administration

Yesterday Mr. W. H. Powell laid up there to return to this State. the last brick of the new \$25,000 Baptist church, having also laid the first brick. Mr. Powell is a successful Person street merchant and has contributed from \$2,000 to \$2,500 to the new church.

Three young men, employes of the Cape Fear Electric Power Company, Overby yesterday, charged with trespass on the land of Capt. W. H. Tomlinson, while putting up poles on the transmission line, the plaintiff contending that the company had not paid for the right-of-way.

The cotton crop of Cumberland is average in peas is smaller than usual, last year and the difficulty in pro- do the South Carolina sellers. curing seed.

Mrs. J. J. Crosswell, of this city, was invited to attend the reunion on Jamestown Island yesterday and to-day of the surviving members of the notable colonial families. Ambless, haps as bitterly oposed to the traje to- with the double-tracking force. It Jacquelins and Careys, she being a a name borne by one of the characthe efficers carried him over to Fay-ters in Thomas Nelson Page's "Red is to enforce the taws, know that if a man of powerful build, etteville, N. C., and the sheriff of Rock," and also by Mrs. Crosswell's they continue to thold their positions nearly two hundred pounds

> Wonderful Athletic Events at Jamestown Exposition To-Morrow-Per-formances of July 29th and Au-

gust 2d. Special to The Observer.

Jamestown Exposition, Va., Aug. 4.-On account of the immense popularity and success of the military athletic carnival held on Lee's prison at Atlanta. The result was achouse was entered several dresses Parade at the exposition as shown by the enormous crowds in has been decided to repeat these moonshiners were known to be oper- two negro men entered the house most interesting and spectacular performances.

Friday, August 16th, at 2 o'clock p. m., the next eyent of this class will take place. The programme will be varied so as to keep up the interest from the start, and the enthusiasm manifested by the soldiers antees that no prize will be awarded without a desperate struggle on the part of other contestants. The ex-position has offered such liberal prizes that a large number of entries nish music during the contest.

The dismounted events will open to all dismounted troops of the regular army, niconal guard and military academies. The mounted events will be open to all mounted troops of same.

The programme for Friday, Auridge race, dismounted; potato race, mounted: equipment mounted; rescue race, mounted; relay race, dismounted; Roman standon two horses). Regular army officers will act as judges.

and a number of games which will be pulled off in the morning and afternoon. Dinner will be spread in the grove and after this will come the adresses by Mr. Kitchin and other speakers who have been invited to make short talks. A great time is anticipated by the people of this neigh-

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territory in North Carolina. During have been mude by constables and othsuccess. Occasionally they captured a cheap distilling outfit and destroyed it along with a quantity of still beer, and at fong intervals captured small quantities of whiskey; but it invariable happened that the main object of failed. The officers contended that this was due to the fact that they were warned of their approach long before they got within striking distance. As soon as the officers disappeared new stills were placed in commission and business was resumed. It seemed that the South Chrolina officers were incapable of handling the situation, and as a result there was little interruption to the business.

A flavorite plan of the operators when they were interfered with in South Carolina was to scross the line and operate in North Carolina and when things got uncomfortably wurm

As is well known by those posted on current events, North Carolina has been gradually screwing down the lid with reference to the whiskey traffic the past several years, and while her laws are not so good as those of this State in the one particular, that drugwere arraigned before Magistrate gists are allowed to sell intoxicating liquors on physician's prescriptions, in all other respects they are better; and especially in respect to the punishment of the illicit booze seller who, if convicted (and the courts usually convict him, regardless of color or finthe best of many years, especially in the western part of the county. to do time on the roads as there is Other crops are fine, although the no altermative fine as is the case in this State, and as a result they do not on account of the failure of the crop show so little respect for the law as Gaston and Cleveland countles,

which a few years ago were notorious because of the large number of government distilleries within their boras a result the officers, whose duty it he took the name of Walker. making and selling is reduced to the ANOTHER MILITARY CARNIVAL. minimum; and they have practically put all of the gang that previously menaced the section bordering talong and Martha Evans, were arrested the State line be tween York and yesterday at Brown Summit on a Cherokee bountles, S. C., and Gaston charge of having been implicated in and Cleveland counties, N. C., out of the robbery of the home of Calvin business, and many of them are to-day Cobb, nine miles northeast of the doing time on the public roads of city. They were brought here and North Carolina and in the Federal placed in jall and will be given a prison at Atlanta. The result was an complished by the officers, under the and about \$30 in money were stolen, leadership of the sheriff of Gaston, go- but the women had only \$2.05 when tendance July 29th and August 2d, it ing to the territory in which the they were arrested. They said that ating and staying on the ground until with them. The two women are every man wanted was actually cap. smooth criminals and have already tured. It is related that in several in- served several terms in the work stances the sheriff, who is a man of house. They will probably plead over 50 years and of magnificent physique and high moral land physical. The worth of a dead bull was the sure their success, as the keen spirit carried them to the just in Dollins. It ternoon, when John have practically stopped on the North York and Cherokee counties in co- the fault of the company. operation with the Federal officers reserved his decision until he would adopt the North Carolina plan look further into the case. and carry it out along exactly the same lines, the same results would inevitably follow. Mr. George H. O'Leary, of this

place, was elected president of the Clover Cotton Manufacturing Company Monday to succeed George L. Riddle, who had held the position for but under his edministration finally a while before he can engage in active came out in good shape. He refused work, owing to his weakened condito serve longer when fris last term expired at the annual meeting last

THE NEW ERA FAILS.

dishing a weakly paper here under the this place. name the New Era, will be said at H. E. Neil. This rig was originally or sale by W. L. Hand & Co. and J. purchased about 20 years ago by u

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notorious dark corners of Greenville, an experience a few d.os ago with a dog supposed to have been afflicted ties in this State and the contiguous with hydrophobia. It was at the noon hour and the exidency meal had just the past ten or fifteen years, or since been finished when a strange dog, the passings of the State dispensary showing all the signs said to be oner-taw, numerous and desultory efforts acceristic of those having hydrophothat he was afraid to get near him ed utterly, although he fired eight times. He then got a shot gun and, knowling in the hall about ten feet distant, blazed away, dolling the intruder instantly. During the whole experience the dog neither growled nor yelped nor showed other signs characteristic of a dog in normal condi-

Mrs. Marion B. Jennings, who has been desperately ill for a week or ten days, was reported as being near death's door Monday night, and little hopes of ther surviving the night were entertained; but she railied yeste, lay morning and, although still desperately sick, slight hopes of her recovery are entertained.

NEGRO ADMITS THE MURDER.

Lawson Addison, of Chester, S. C., Arrested Near Greensboro—Two Negro Women Implicated in a House Robbery-Settling the Worth of Beef.

Special to The Observer.

Greensboro, Aug. 14 .- Admitting that he is guilty of murdering two women in Chester, S. C., last September, Lawson Addison, negro, alias Oliver Walker, was arrested by Deputy Sheriff W. J. Weatherly at the Southern Railway double-tracking camp, one mile south of the city. yesterday afternoon. There is a reward of \$100 for Addison's arrest. The prisoner does not deny shooting the women, but says that until yesterday he did not know they were dead. When the strouble occurred he ran away and never learned the results of the shots. Eluding the of-ficers he drifted into North Carolina lineal descendant of the Jacquelins, day as any section of the South; and was after coming to this State that they must see that illicht whiskey five feet eleven inches tall. Deputy Sheriff Weatherly learned a few days ago that the man was here and went to work to earn the reward.

Two negro women, Fannle Tatum guilty to the charge against them

courage, literally ran his men down in subject for a lengthy discussion in in these contests is sufficient to in- dair, open foot races and captured and 'Squire Collins' court yesterday afof competition shown by them guar- is said that as a result of the work brought suit against the Greensboro outlined, whistery making and selling lee & Coal Co. for the recovery of have practically stopped on the North the amount of \$50 damages for the Carcina side and that conditions are been stored in the company's plant. more encouraging on this side than at The case was tried by able attorneys is expected for each event. The any time since the war; and there is on both sides. The company says that Twenty-third Infantry Band will fur-little reason to doubt that, if the the most was thrown and because little reason to doubt that, if the the meat was thrown away because regularly constituted authorities in it was unfit for use and it was not

RETURNS FROM HOSPITAL.

Rev. W. M. Biles Recovers from Operation-Personal and Other News of Kernersville. Special to The Observer.

Kernersville, Aug. 14.-Rev. W. M. ing race (one man riding standing a number of years and up to the time Biles, who has been confined in St. of his death on Monday of last week. Leo's Fospital in Greensboro for the Mr. O'Leary is one of the most suc- past five weeks arrived home yestercessful and highly esteemed citizens day afternoon. During his stay there Kitchin to Speak at Whitsett August and business men of this section, and Mr. Biles underwent an operation for has been a member of the board of appendicitis, which was entirely suc-Special to The Observer.

Whitsett, Aug. 14.—The annual picnic will be held here Saturday, August 24th. The features of the day will be an address by Hon. W. W. Kitchin and a number of games. Whitsett and the mill business five or six years ago when he well again. Mr. Blica is about well again. was induced to accept the presidency Methodist Episcopul Church here and of the Tayora Mill at this place. The his people are glad to have him with company had a rough road to travel, them again, although it will be quite

> Mr. and Mrs. R. C. Stockton, of Little River, Fue., are in the city for a few days, the guests of Mr. Stockton's Notices have been posted here and at parents, Mr. and Mrs. W. D. Stockton, other points in the county announcing at their home on West Main street. the fact that on August 24th the ma. Mrs. J. Harvey Mait, of Oak Ridge, chinery and printing material until is the guest of her patents, Captain about three weeks ego used in pub- and Mrs. J. Willis, at Hotel Willis, in

> Miss Ranie Buson, the attractive public auction to satisfy chattel mort. daughter of Postmaster Buson, is gages held by W. Brown Wylle and spending a few weeks at Hiddenite, in Western North Carolina.

A large number of Kennersville people attended the Friends' Yearly, Meeting at Guilford College last Sun-

J. W. Pugh, Millboro; Thomas S. Malley, Ferndale; Joseph E. Roberts, Stoneville; James Low, Holly; Ferd unable to pay her dressmaker's bill. Ingold, Asheboro; W. R. Hall, Nich-Governor Pattison, of Pennsylvania, olson; F. K. Trogden, Greensboro; Monroe Snider, Marsh; E. J. Sapp, Kernersville; George C. Harris, Mor-ratock; William Thayer, Hoover Hill; acteristic of those having hydropho- G. A. Jones, Reidsville; Gearge F. bia, rushed into his home and made Meck, Vienna; E. A. Guyer, Jamesers on this side of the line to capture for a bedroom on the first floor, going town; W. S. Fagg, Stoneville; Junius the whiskey makers, with indifferent under the bed. Mr. Robinson used P. Hardin, Graham; Robert Gilchrist, various means to try to force him out, Greensboro; R. T. Blackburn, Kernsuch as prodding him with a pole, etc., ersville; Sam Simpson, Belo; T. Meland finally undertook to shoot him vin Brown, Summit; W. I. Witty, Aswith his pistol; but owing to the fact pen Grove; Robert Hancock, Wentand could not secure a fair shot, fall-G. Terry, Reidsville; C. S. Roberts,

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