THE CAPE FEAR CHANNEL a pleasure, therefore, that Mr. early childhood. John A. Fox, special director of the national rivers and harbors congress, is making a partial tour of the State in this behalf and is now due in hard to find. Iceland, owing to its in-

which this extract is made: "If we can get this depth of water, which is entirely practicable, Wilmington, without a doubt, will be made a gatee, to Charlotte as much as to Wil-

Virginia." For this sake the project that Mr. Fox will be heard by many where in the State.

A SERIOUS THING TO SUGGEST.

mond dispatches by the Associated Press as saying that 'the large metropolitan dallies are controlled by the trusts and their columns are open to the highest

charge. We earnestly urge you to make

of which they give at least one each land maintain itself uncorrupted. season, there is provided a punch By even slight modernization the

It has not been noticed that the five actually enjoys at present,

ak of the State Historical and Literary Association of the Patterson oving cup affords pleasure to many of his fellow citizens. He won it on his history of the University, the first volume of which is out and which is much merit.

CHERE LIFE LASTS 23 YEARS BY REPORTORIAL LICENSE

35. Only Sweden and Norway, two countries of Iceland's Scandinavian fatherland, can sustain even a very remote comparison. In Sweden man stopp The proposed thirty-foot waterway lives 59.02 years, and in Norway od to know what to do. . We The proposed thirty-foot waterway on Wilmington to the sea is not 49.94. All such figures, of course, are the walk to meet us and bid us so sly a matter of Wilmington inter- heavily pulled down by the disproto but is of concern to the State. It portionate mortality of infancy and His presence, his manner, his face all proclaimed the gentleman of the

Charlotte where he will make an ad- hard to find. Iceland, owing to its in- glad you have come." dress to-morrow on this subject. Mr. sular position, has by no means so James H. Chadbourn, chairman of the Wilmington chamber of commerce committee on a deeper waterway has written The Observer a letter from the subject. Ar. He lead the way up the walk and, reaching the entrance, stepped to one side and inctioned to us to enter—all his manner beautiful in its stately courtesy, even as his heart broke to good advantage. The inhabitants, the world. But it is undoubtedly the ton, without a doubt, will be made a gateway port, thereby insuring competitive
rates with our neighboring towns in Virrates with our neighboring towns in Virginis. We feel that the deepening of this
harbor will be a benefit to the whole
State, to Charlotte as much as to WilState, t nervous strain of modern civilization them there. \* \* \* \* \* \* The pine tree mourns with the golden mington, and in consequence of the hearty co-operation given us by the press of the Natile, we have decided to form a State association, having our first meeting in Wilmington. November 5th, and in consequence of the hearty co-operation given us by the press can be little felt in a land so remote from the paths of those electric imforever. But have no fear. The sod, men who walk at your side will let no for the Bobble Burns of the Old North all North Carolinians. Mr. Chad- nothing, like engines deprived of fuel. company. bourn gives abundant reason for this in the statement that if Wilmington is a continuous continuou can get this deeper channel it will, lous hysteria; no continual craving for gray, that keeps so near you as you and with the peace-Eternal Joy. "without a doubt, be made a gateway sensations; no frenzied social climb- pass out of that door to return no port, thereby ensuring competitive ing. The quick-lunch counter and more? port, thereby ensuring competitive life. The quick-lunch counter and you, mother? Now, in his hour of rates with our neighboring towns in the life it abets are entirely unknown. every three weeks, by steamer. Here, if anywhere, is a people in a permanent state of equilibrium and comparative repose. But for the nerve racking volcanic earthquakes which The New York World last week rock the island at times its inhabisent the following telegram to Col. tants might live almost indefinitely, like those old patriarchs who lived, "You are quoted this morning in Rich- their still more simple life on the

The columns of The World are open idyilic much longer in an age when stand. this telegram a day or two or three ginning to come in large numbers one stands to speak above our ashes, and when he sent it said that what he every summer. Perhaps the Icelandhad said was that "some" of the er will learn ultra-modern ways of The slow procession moves—the large metropolitan dailies, etc. But thinking and doing. He may learn procession that followed the body of the charge, even as he left it, is a the charge, even as he left it, is a to rush, to fret, to worry. His needs dead Abel-that has moved through we do not think it is believed that this be imported on a much larger scale, down. is true of any other. If this suspicion but will find a more fertile soil in white, clean sand of his native levels, and flowers, and upon this matchless attaches to any excepting one as here which to take root. When appendi- Sleep, that he cried to so pleadingly, theme he ever delighted to dwell in his sake of financial or political returns, dry starch, Icelanders may know that the pines remain to whisper to you and tell in song and story, flows mournfully purchased or that they are other than whole cities—must be invoked to remen to a brave man. And we will hand of an artist. T. T. COVINGTON. legitimate enterprises, if absolute facts store as far as it can what will have return. methods of living. In large measure, The Washington Post has let it out, however, the Icelander will doubtless The Vice President and Mrs. Fair- avoid the cvils of the age while reapbanks," says the heartless Post, "are ing the benefits. This his geographiin the national capital. Their dinners nially overrun by and thriving upon are in excellent taste, and the usual the luxurious of all nations, have with typhoid fever, is improving. wines are served with the several largely retained their native simplic-

Rum! Speaker Capnon will make the mind. Will he gain enough to com- price being 10:50, White House reck with his corn hotter pensate him? We think so. Whethbefore ever Mr. Farbanks and the er or not fifty of Europe are better Rum Demon are permitted to pass its than five hundred of Cathay, it may safely be said that they far outweigh to-day in the Methodist church. The the 61.8 which the average Icelander pastor of the church there is Rev.

have been restored and if the fac-day than the funeral day of John an earnest preacher, and a man who alty holds stiff to its position the effect Charles McNelll. The setting of the has the good of the church at heart sure to be salutary. The suspen- occasion was perfect. The dignified wherever he has been essioned restor cion was for a brief enough period church in the quiet grove; the solemn the last day indicated will have good ers; the presence of the people among results while its relaxation will weak | whom and with whom he was reared en the discipline which its adoption and whom he loved so much-no elesent. Everything was fitting for the mon. Few North Carolinians have more funeral day of John Charles and no tion at that point and the good that ands than Dr. Kemp P. Battle and visitor who was present will ever fore award to him at the meeting last set the occasion and its surroundings, faithfully done, in addition to his pas-Everything was just as our Scotch- toral labors at Brevard Street church. man would have had it; just as those who were there thought it should

to be completed in three volumes. from Atlanta to New York to take the night. That already issued shows a work of much merit.

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The standard to New York to take the many times and white standard to New York to take the standard county, yester lay morning. There is darkness where once shown the nodding fall flowers with which some time his politics have run on gut one leg shorter dan de tuther and a brilliant light. We sorrow with he was so familiar; of the rustling to the standard county, yester lay morning. There is darkness where once shown the nodding fall flowers with which some time his politics have run on gut one leg shorter dan de tuther and a brilliant light. We sorrow with he was so familiar; of the rustling to those of the glores of the standard to New York to take the standard county, yester lay morning. There is darkness where once shown the nodding fall flowers with which some time his politics have run on gut one leg shorter dan de tuther and a brilliant light. We sorrow with he was so familiar; of the rustling to the root of the standard county, yester lay morning.

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He lead the way up the walk and moreover, spring from the hardiest tion; one moves slowly into such a branch of the hardiest racial stock in first?

He lay in majestle stillness.

at this meeting electing officers having in charge the furtherance of this project."

The undertaking is one which should enlist the friendly interest of

You will not leave him, will Until very recently mail from the Earth, the great mother, takes him outside world was received only once into her waiting arms. Tears, blind Goodbye, John Charles, dear boy, goodnot our eyes now. We would see this thing. For never shall we look upon a God guard you till your fourney ends: sweeter, nobler, sadder picture

"If I were drowned in the deepest sea, Mother o' mine, I know whose tears would come down to

Do you remember, John Charles, when your eyes were dim with tears as you listened to that song? . . .

McNeill, why our words were so poor and faltering as we stood to speak above your dust, of your gentle, unland's existence will remain quite to selfish, golden heart. You under-somehow I feel this hope not vain; idyllic much longer in an age when stand. For your friends believe that Somehow I know that brilliant spark no corner of the world escapes active your life beat itself out at last against search. Already a cable has been the bars of words. We spoke as best we could. And in that day-Col. Bryan delayed his answer- to laid from Europe, and tourists are be- far or near, we know not-when some God will not yield it to the night;

Cover him with the warm, love with Nature, with birds and trees citis arrives, as it must after the peo- in a mother's arms and will hold him ple have begun abusing their insides close until upon the marble at his

or both, to be realized, but it is not twentieth century civilization has tak- the Lumber river is flowing near you, on its sad mission to the sea. thought even of these that their edftorial utterances are bought with
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out whose aid life under truly modern conditions is impossible-consumption North Carolina, your mighty mother. and typhold fever, uncomprehended She will guard your ashes well. . pers that its or their opinions are and typhoid fever, uncomprehended she will guard your asies well and typhoid fever, uncomprehended she will guard your asies well and typhoid fever, uncomprehended she will guard your asies well and typhoid fever, uncomprehended she will guard your asies well and typhoid fever, uncomprehended she will guard your asies well and typhoid fever, uncomprehended she will guard your asies well and typhoid fever, uncomprehended she will guard your asies well and typhoid fever, uncomprehended she will guard your asies well and typhoid fever, uncomprehended she will guard your asies well as a second of the state of the second of the second

The journey which we take to sustain the charge are lacking, been lost by departure from natural up again brings us to your bed at And when we come, make room: for we will be aweary.

BRIEFS.

recognized as among the most hos- cal situation should enable him read- A Few Minor Happenings in and About the City. -Mr. Rowland Pruitt, son of Rev.

L. R. Pruitt, who has been very il -The Mothers' Club of the Second courses, while at the targe receptions, ity of life, much more can remote Ice- Presbyterian church will meet to-mor-

church parlors.

Mr. Nicholson at Matthews To-Day. Rev. W. L. Nicholson left last night for Matthews, where he will preach well recently and is unable to occupy Mr. Nicholson is known in Matthews, and he will be pended week before last for hazing. There was never a more glorious heard to-day with pleasure. He is

Preaching in New Church Next Sun-

day. The first service in the new Methodist church in North Charlotte will be held next Sunday afternoon. Rev. Harold Turner will preach the ser-The growth of the congrega is being accomplished is due largely



#### IN MEMORIAM.

IN LOVING MEMORY. We saw him start his way 'mid joy

Singing the songs of the field and the fer Lo! The allence falls on heart and tongu

State."

With hands so gentle, "Down Home" lifts up the vacant chair

Winston-Salem.

GOOD BYE.

And may you, on the farther shore, Find better and more helpful friends They cannot love you more than we, But theirs may be of wiser kind, A love that, coming from the heart,

understand, John Charles Not bind you as perhaps did ours: So may you live and do and be Unto the utmost of your powers.

Is ever guided by the mind.

Of genius, which is all your own,

God will not let it fade and die. He'll keep it bright-all will be well.

grave one. It is quite generally understood by newspaper men throughout the country that one great New York daily is owned and its policy in his eagerness to satisfy them. Disdictated by corporate interests, but we do not think it is believed that this

"Songs, Merry and Sad," To-day in his native county, man, wothat minister in their news columns with bread made from the fine, white to certain deprayed tastes, for the flour which differs little from launseless of financial or political returns.

ture, and, in dying, has left unfinished a

Told the Mystic Charm of Life.

thoughts of this good man. He was an ornament to society whether he walked with Tige by the pleasant waters of Lumber river or receiving in Raleigh from the hands of the President of the United States a badge of his literary achievements.

Any one who would be impressed with the genius of this man's verse need only turn to his little poem enrow afternoon at 4 o'clock in the titled "Chris'mas Comin'" written for The Observer about Christmas time season, there is provided a punch

By even slight modernization the

Which has an unmistakable and whol
Icelander will doubtless lose heavily

by satisfactory foundation of rum."

In length of days, health and peace of

Last year 205 bales were sold, the

price being 10:50. read the lines that he would pass away before Christmas came again. I am glad he lived to tell anew the mystle charm of life; to proclaim craving for the thoughts without dissimulation. I trust that in the world to which he journeys the medium of his soul to boundaries of perfect harmony and adjust the lyre of his already perfected aspirations.

TRIBUTE OF THE PRESS.

With unfeigned sorrow The Star takes note of the death of John Charles McNelll, poet and raconteur on The Charlotte Observer. He died yesterday afternoon at his home in Scotland county, whither he had re-tired a few days ago on account of ill-ness. Mr. McNeill's death deprives North Carolina of a son of marked genius and recognized brilliency and cuts short a career which was adding to the literary distinction of our State. —Wilmington Star.

News, has taken its editorship, succeeding Mr. W. A. Hildebrand, who has become editor of Tae industrial News He is a capable young newsper man and the duties of the government of the south.

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The Meckienburg County Fair to be held at the south for an early prophery that his will discord the south for the matter of that week gives every promessed of the last of held at the south for the matter of the last of held at the south for the matter of the last of held at the form of the method of the south for the south has been removed of the season which the south has been removed of the season which the south for the south has been removed of the season which the south for the south has been removed of the season which the south for the south for the south has been removed of the season which the south has been removed of the season which the south has been removed of the season which the south has been removed of the season which the south has been removed of the season which the south has been removed of the season which the south has been removed of the season which the south has been removed of the season which the south has been removed of the season which the south has been removed of the season which the south has been removed of the season which the south has been removed of the season which the south has been removed of the season which the south has been removed of the season which the south has been removed of the season which the season

been read quite extensively and has also received much critical favor by well-known critics. At the time of his death the young poet was preparing the second edition. "Under the Persimmon Tree." We are exceedingly sorry to hear of the death of so bright and highly gifted a young man. We have kept up with his work and know the merit of the same; also we know what the lose of such young men of talent means especially in the prime of life, and when their works are needed the most. The words of praise that have been bestowed upon him for his works of literature by such as President Rooseveit and other well-known men tell for themselves the value of such a young man. And we join with his friends in molecular that can produce such smartly fashioned, superbly tailored, perfect fit-

In the death of Mr. John Charles McNelli The Charlotte Observer loses one of the most gifted members of its staff and the South is deprived of a young man of marked literary genius. Mr. McNelli, aside from his spiendid literary ability, was a young man of spiendid personality and magnetism. The Observer has been peculiarly unfortunate in the past few years in losing three of its brightest lights by the grim reaper—Greenville, 8, C., News. In the death of Mr. John Charle

Mr. John Charles McNeill, of The Charlotte Observer staff, died at his nome in Scotland county, N. C., of fabrics, linings and yesterday, after a wasting illness of several months. Mr. McNeill had workmanship at our prices made quite a reputation as a literary —come see them and judge genius of a high order, and had won recognition both North and South. for yourself. His newspaper work was admirable, and he had begun to attract wide attention, both as to performance and promise. His untimely taking off is a severe blow to The Observer staff, as well as to thousands of readers who had begun to admire his splendid work.—Yorkville Enquirer.

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The State was shocked at the news yesterday evening of the death of twill, diagonal and herringa man so young achieved such wide bone weaves, superbly lined prominence throughout the State. Those who saw John Charles, as every one knew him, for weeks past, have the sleeves lined with silk far off, and though expecting the sad or satin, every one at every news, it nevertheless was a surprise. In his short career Mr. McNeill has written some verse that will live long desirable in a smart-lookafter all but his dearest friends have forgotten him. "Songs, Merry and ing, Service-giving overgar-Sad," his book of poems, contains ment. ing lines he ever penned. In his short career before the public Mr. Mc-

But, to those who knew McNelll personally, the blow falls most heavily. None were ever privileged to know him and not love him, for his was a most pleasing and lovable disposition.

There is genuine sorrow all over the State for the taking off of this gifted young man, and no where is that sorrow felt more acutely than here in the city, where so many admirers and friends lived .- Charlotte News.

The readers of The Chronicle have been prepared for the announcement

of the death of Mr. John Charles Mc-Nelli for several years past a writer on The Charlotte Observer. The news columns give the details of the passing of this splendid young man. Abernethy, he withered, drooped and fell while his companions had no thought that they had seen his face and heard his voice for the last time. I know every one is grieved who His going was not so sudden as that of the lamented Avery, yet it brought the same quick pang of desolate bereavement. Mr. McNeill was a literary genius. He was a born student of nature. He loved to hunt and fish, to stroll through fields and lorter in woods; and when it came to choosing a life profession, he tried to divorce himself from field and wood for the law library. But Blackstone was too stern for his poetle nature. From writing briefs he got to writing random sketches for the press. The editor of The Observer, keen of perception, saw a new literary star in Mr. McNeill, and called him to Chartotte. When the young man got here and reported for duty, he asked what he was expected to do, and was told to do "stunts." He had never heard of a stunt and did from his mountain the unsullied not know what it meant, but soon went at it in his own way, and within the short space of a year, his literary stunts had won for him the loving cup pure delight will move the limits of offered by Mrs. J. Lindsay Patterson for the North Carolina writer who made the highest mark in literature. He casily won the trophy and the award was applauded throughout the State. It was hard to tell whether he excelled in prose or verse. Throughout all his writings there was a velo of subtlest humor. His pen never jar-red. He was an artist who painted always in harmonious colors. In hundreds of libraries to-day, the volume most thumbed and the volume most treasured for the pleasure it gives, is the little book between whose covers are contained his "Songs, Merry and

We have told of his love of the fields, woods and flowers. In spring, he would make one feel that spring Everything was just as our Scotchman would have had it; just as those who were there thought it should have been.

William's Advice.

Another lute is hushed and another that he wrote best when the spirit of tall was upon him, for then he would make one feel that spring is the most beautiful season of the year, but it has always seemed to us that he wrote best when the spirit of fall was upon him, for then he would make one feel that spring is the most beautiful season of the year, but it has always seemed to us that he wrote best when the spirit of fall was upon him, for then he would make one feel that spring is the most beautiful season of the year, but it has always seemed to us that he wrote best when the spirit of fall was upon him, for then he would want of the partridges seeking the sunded to the step of the slopes; of the cotton fields showing black where the darkies had picked out the staple and white seemed to us that he wrote best when the spirit of fall was upon him, for then he would make one feel that spring is the most beautiful season of the war, but it has always seemed to us that he wrote best when the spirit of fall was upon him, for then he would make one feel that spring is the most beautiful season of the work had be an always seemed to us that he wrote best when the spirit of fall was upon him, for then he would make one feel that spring is the most beautiful season of the work had beautiful season of the work had beautiful season of the work had beautiful season of the partridges.

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