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THURSDAY, OCTOBER 31, 1907.

THE AMENDE HONORABLE.

Adverse criticism of Hon. Edward W. Pou, Representative of the fourth district of this State, which did him wrong, appeared as an editorial paragraph in The Observer of the 22d. as did also the heading over a clipping which appeared in the paper of the 28th. Both were based upon an alleged interview with Mr. Pou in The Washington Herald, of the 15th, which had not been read in this office at the time but a statement of the alleged purport of which had been read in an exchange. Mr. Pou had been represented as opposing the nomination next year of a Southern man for President but advocating the skulkers of 1896." It would be foolish to single out and say harsh things of a representative Democrat who thinks it would be unwise to nominow as if a majority-do both; and no such thought was in mind. The whole criticism in both the paragraph and head line referred to was directed at Mr. Pou's supposed use of the word "skulkers" and its supposed application by him to the large class of Democrats who were not regular

The Observer yesterday saw for the first time the text of the interview appear in it at all, the nearest ap proach to it being another of similar sound in this sentence: "It will not do to nominate any man who sulked in 1896." There is a great deal of difference in the meaning of the ing offensive. The paper upon which we had relied put in Mr. Pou's mouth the one which is. There is no ground upon which to rest the animadversion we made upon him and with this explanation we frankly express regret

SUCCESSOR TO THE STEAM EN-GINE.

The gas engine is the power producer of the future wherever coal continues to be used. This conclusion has been drawn by Prof. Joseph A. Holmes and associate experts of The steam engine, these investigators declare, requires from three to three and a half times as much coal to produce a given unit of power as does the gas engine; they have likewise estimated that in a plant of 6.000 horse-power the gas engine will effect an annual saving of \$72,-600, while the general adoption of gas engines would save the manufacturers of this country between \$100,000,000 and \$200,000,000 a year. Moreover, they find that the gas engine will economically utilize coals of lower grade than the steam engine can handle to advantage and will make no appreciable smoke even with such coals. Manifestly these conclusions as reported are of very great importance. They impress us with the more force when we recall that Charlotte's 4C's, a remarkably far-sighted corporation, is now installing gas engines in its electric power plant. We are further impressed and interested by this work because it was prosecuted under the direction of a North Carolinian who has already done much for the State and the country along such lines and in whom

That is a nervy undertaking upon which Edward Payson Weston, the professional pedestrian, now sixtynine years o'd, entered Tuesday morning-an attempt to walk from Portland, Me., to Chicago, 1,220 miles, in twenty-six days, a feat which he accomplished forty years ago. Thirty years ago at the State Fair grounds at Raleigh Mr. Weston, a small, lithe man, walked for money on the race track, though probably few people remember the fact.

we take pride accordingly.

there are good trusts and bad trusts, It is reported that Ringling Brothers are forming a circus trust. If they ten years ogo, has ever been seen in

DANES CARING FOR COTTON. a declining market, but there now seems no dauger of losses to farmers on account of the lack of bank accommodation. It was stated in The Observer, of Tuesday, that Mr. C. H. Wolfe, president of the Mecklenburg Cotton Warehouse Holding Company. had been assured by the banks of money to any reasonable amount on amount, we understand, of half the market price of cotton on any given day. This is reassuring. The banks of this city have every disposition to help the farmers noid their cotton, and Mr. Wolfe's understanding with them is double assurance on this head. Now it is seen that the banks of Galveston have entered into an agreement with the farmers to protect a million bales of the Texas crop, and no doubt arrangement can and will be made with the other banks of the State to take care of all the State's crop in warehouse. It is a pleasure to witness a return of that mysterious and powerful agency in business that we call "confidence," and another pleasure to see the friendly relations that are existing between bankers and

CANADA'S COMING GREATNESS.

Canadian official sources yield the interesting information that the influx of immigration into the Dominion is not only increasing at an unprecedented rate but also that in recent the United States. Moreover, the immigration from our side has been of the most desirable sort, consisting largely of farmers who have sold their high-priced Northwestern acres and bought several times as many equally or more productive Canadian acres from the world at large since 1901, and the population has meantime grown from 5,371,315 to about 6,500,-000. In striking contrast to American immigration conditions, considerably more than half the total are Engish-speaking and nearly all the trans Atlantic arrivals hall from those countries which once furnished us with an abundance of highly desirable immigrants but no longer do so are far out-distancing even this rapid as the nineteenth century belonged selongs to Canada.

The Texas farmer is now being told on high authority that if he will only burn the cotton stalks, limbs, leaves and all trash when he has gathered his crop the boll weevil will suffer an utter rout. Once destroy all rejuse in which the pests may find shelter or lay their eggs for the next weevil crop and Mr. Weevil will not only perish but leave no posterity. Inabout it is its extreme simplicity cated to inspire faith, Texans thence forth raising as many million bales o in approving eye, but would fain have ad the glory reaped by the Guate malan ant, whom the Department of with weevilledal intent. As matters from the tropics appears to have loss

That six-day period declared by Governor's proclamation for the benefit of Oklahoma banks might well be called a hollweek.

FAVOR OPENING FIRST STREET.

Board of Public Service Adopts Majority Committee Report Recommending to Aldermen That First Street Be Opened From Tryon to Cedar, and Made 50 Feet Wide-Mr. Bawkins Favored 60-Foot

At a called meeting of the board of public service last night at the ity hall, presided over by Mayor T of the committee, exclusive of the Messrs, T. W. Hawkins, John R. Pharr, Henry M. McAden, A. H. Washburn and E. L. Sargent. Only one member, Mr. Hawkins, objected to the action and filed a minority report, setting forth his reasons in de tail. 'He was, and still is, strongly in

favor of a 69-foot street. This report will be made to the poard of aldermen at their regular meeting next Monday night, at which they are expected to take action on It one way or another, unless delay is deemed necessary. The opening of First street, it will be recalled, was First street, it will be recalled, was authorized by the aldermen some months ago, but the imiter has since been under investigation by the service board with whom the matter of wild and fevered sleep. vice board with whom the matter of

execution and detail largely rests. The meeting last night was, interesting, though entirely harmonious in spirit. The majority of the commit-It has been said by somebody that street could not be secured, partly on account of the liability of the costs to run over the amount of \$10,-800 within which it is proposed to succeed that will be a good trust for and partly because the Southern Railway had agreed to build a 50-foot there, which passed through some subway on this street and it was years ago, has ever been seen in might re-open this matter and release. the company from its obligations.

Westinghouse are in the neighborhood of \$8,000,000 and most of this debt was incurred through money lent to the various concerns with which he was connected. The principal companies to which he gave his money were the Russian, French and English firms of the Westinghouse interests which within the next year, according to data furnished, should according to data furnished, should be paying dividends. To secure this money Mr. Westinghouse has placed with the different banks securities to the amount of \$20,000,000, and it is to save the sacrifice and scattering of the security that the idea of three trustees with a three-year extension in time has been suggested. names of the trustees will be made

public in a few days. A rumor that Kuhn, Loeb & Co., of New York, will have a representative on the board of the reorganized Securities Investment Co. is current in Pittsburg. On August 1, 1907, George Westinghouse is known with Kuhn, Loeb & Co., a collateral two-year loan at 6 per cent. interest, one of the stipulations being that Mr. Westinghouse must keep on hand Bennett, Pa. with the New York firm a certain margin which he had deposited.

The fact that the New York financiers had this big deal with Mr. AN Westinghouse gives weight to the nett. statement that it will have a hand in the future of the Westinghouse in-terests. George Westinghouse, it is understood here, is to be retained in Little is known of the exact c merely an advisory capacity by f the business will be invaluable to small fire had been lighted, be cast aside.

The Pittsburg Stock Exchange did There are rumors that the exchange will not open this week, but there be a meeting of members each

Pittsburg bankers are pleased with the system of issuing clearing house other towns within a radius of over certificates and a number of banks ook certificates to-day.

SEARCHING FOR ACTOR.

General Police Alarm Sent Out For Arrest of Raymond Hitchcock-Of-Watching All Out-Going pear at Matinee or Night Perform-

the arrest of Raymond Hitchcock, the of this reply in their dioceses. actor, against whom the grand jury

trains and steamers. Hitchcock, recently was arrested on similar charge and after preliminary examination in police court was re-leased under \$3,000 bonds pending a To-day the girls, urther hearing. Upon their testimony the six adletments were returned. ine it was understood that Hitchcock would not be arrested to-night, his counsel saying that he would underseal to-morrow morning.

Hitchcock has been starring at Broadway theatre, but did not appear either at the matinee to-day or the vening performance, and it was statd that he had been dropped from the cast. At a late hour to-night Hitchcock had not been located. Recently Hitchcock caused the arrest of a brother of the Voecks girl, who he alleged had attempted to extort money from him on a threat of causing the publication of matter reecting upon the actor. Friends of Voecks and others interested in the ase then brought the action which esulted in Hitchcock's arrest.

Fire in the County Last Night. A bright glare in the north indicat-I that there was a large fire about midnight either near Derita or Hun No telephonic communica tersville. tion could be made on account of the lateness of the hour. The reflection upon the clouds appeared to be from no small blaze. A number of people were attracted by the scene, but none could give a definite idea as to

Keep Cool.

New York Herald. In this time of financial disturbance it is of vital importance that every man should keep his head.

Deferred, Not Certain. Cleveland Plain Dealer, Nobody seems to have any doubt as to what Mr. Bryan's deferred decision will be.

JOHN CHARLES M'NEILL

There's a minor chord of sadness that the ringing through the State, And from Mitchell's fragrant balsam to

There's a bird of sweetest music lying dead upon a hill, And there's weeping and there's mourn-ing 'cause his song' is hushed and

atili;
Always were his sweet notes healing
hearts harassed by grief and sin.
Always were his true words leading,
helping right and love to win.

But his wings have wafted higher than our mortal eyes can see.

And his song has grown too heavenly for such earthly sonis as we,

Still we hold his life and labors as a treasure from above.

And they rest likes benedictions o'er a streasure from above.

LILY Reliable DOYLE. Store.

westinghouse from being needlessly sacrificed, he is to be given a three-years' extension to allow him to realize on his personal assets. This, with the semi-oficial announcement that the Securities Investment Co, is to be reorganized with four Pittsburg bankers on the directorate and the receivers discharged, formed that the securities in the financial situation to-day.

Mr. Westinghouse agreed to place also holdings in the hands of three trustees. He has already selected the three men and his creditors are understood to have concurred in the selection. Mr. Westinghouse has set forth that the securities which he owns and which are collateral for money borrowed are worth many times the amount of his personal obligations. For this reason he has suggested the plan of placing all of his securities in the hands of the trustees for the benefit of his creditors and himself. It is said here that the banks of Pittsburg, New York and Boston, which hold the paper of Mr. Westinghouse are in the neighborhood of \$8,000,000 and most of this works in the neighborhood of \$8,000,000 and most of this works in the enthusiasm created here with the centusiasm created here with the contract that the builters of the contract the road it is said there is no doub twhatever in their minds but that the road will be built and that she road will be built and that the road will be built the contract the road will be built to connect with the L. & N. Those business men who have such an interest in the many time the contract the road

EXPLOSION KILLS FOUR.

Fragments of Human Bodies Pepper-ed With Rocks and Earth Fall in Shower When 500 Pounds of Dynamite Exploded-Four Are Killed and Six Injured-Little Known of Exact Cause.

Canonsburg, Pa., Oct. 30 .- Fragments of human bodies peppered with nor cane to tean upon. His end was particles of rocks and earth fell in a peaceful; he has left precious rememshower over the little town of Gwen- brances in the hearts of all his reladolen, on the Wabash Railroad, 9 miles north of here, to-day, when 500 for every one connected with him by to pounds of dynamite exploded with a consanguinity. He was the son of terrific report. Four men were torn Gen. A. A. McDowell, and his have negotiated a loan of \$6.000,000 terrific report. Four men were torn to pieces and six others received injuries. The dead: NICHOLAS M. BREDEN, foreman

> TILTON THORNTON, a negro Pittsburg.

> STEPHEN OLSHAFSKY, Bennett ANDREW MICHAELVICH, Ben-The six injured men, stunned and

ta Little is known of the exact cause the of the explosion, but a passerby just receivers. His advice and knowledge before the accident occurred, says a them, but his business methods will sumably to warm the dynamite. Thornton, who was powder man, went to work this morning with innot open to-day; there was a meet-ing of the members at 9 o'clock. hill side, above the Wabash tracks, which was unsafe, the earth endangering passing trains. Thornton, surrounded by several of the men, it norning to decide on action for that is supposed, got the explosive too near the fire and it exploded. The shock was distinctly felt in Canonsburg and

FORBIDS READING REPLY.

communicated the authors of the re- ter they had celebrated their golden ply to his recent encyclical on "mod-New York. Oct. 30 .- A general po- ernism" and has instructed the va ice alarm was sent out to-night for rious bishops to forbid the reading

In their reply the modernists ar gued that the Church always had ments for criminal assault and abdue- and should now adapt itself to the ion, after hearing the testimony of exigencies of the age and insisted The order requir- upon the right to discuss the Bible ed the officers to watch all outgoing and other sacred writings, which they hold to be human productions.

The retirement of Mgr. La Croix, bishep of Tarentaise, France, favored the acceptance by the clergy of the Church and State separation law, is considered to be primarily due Voecks, Helen von Hagen and to the prelate's lack of sympathy Flora Wishton, aged from 12 to 15 with the present ultra mundane polyears, who had figured in the original icy of the Yatican. The reason given use, were taken before the grand for the bishop's retirement, however, was Ill health.

EXHIBITS SHOW PROGRESS.

Agriculture by Negroes Shown by Their Exhibits at Fair-Booker T. Washington to Speak.

Macon, Ga. Oct. 30 .- Great gress in the mechanical arts and in States. agriculture by the negroes of Georgia went 4,000 feet in the air to-day and agriculture by the negroes of Georgia looked down he declares that it was is shown by the exhibits at the negro State Fair, which opened here to-day. The exhibits, which are unusually numerous and diversified, are all in place, and the attendance at the opening day was large. Mayor Bridges Smith, of Macon, adelivered an address at the opening exercises, in which he congratulated the negro people of the State on the excellent showing made.

On Friday Booker T. Washington will deliver an address.

CHANGES IN CHARGES LIKELY.

New Arrangement in Methodist Pas-torates Probable—Will Be Decided at Conference—Rev. A. L. Coburn's Good Work.

It is not at all improbable that a the coming session of the Western North Carolina Conference, which will be held in Salisbury, beginning two weeks from yesterday, that one or more changes will be made in the Methodist charges of the city. In the present arrangement the Epworth and Seversville churches form pastoral charge and one pastor divides his time between these two points. It may be that next year Seversville and Chadwick will be connected as one charge, and Epworth and the new church in North Charlotte may be connected in the same way, though in North Charlotte will be of such importance as to claim the entire

of one pastor. For the past two years Rev. A. L. Coburn has been the pastor of the Epworth and Seversville churches, and he has done a very faithful work and he has done a very faithful work, both as pastor and preacher, notwithstanding the fact of his severe personal and family affliction much of the time. Mr. Coburn has served as a supply in the conference for a number of years and his work has resulted in the accomplishment of much good, in every charge to which he has been appointed. He is closing up the present year with every prospect of carrying what the preachers call a "clean sheet" to conference.

Neglected Colds Spell Danger, Colds and hacking coughs which are permitted to run on lead directly to chronic and serious catarrhal complications. One bottle of Herring's Catarrh Cure, price \$1.00, stopa every danger by effecting an immediate cure. Sold by Atkinson's Drug

habitual drinking. My amployes prevailed on me to go to Greensbore and take the Keeley Treatment, and after a course of Jur weeks I was cuttrely cured of this terrible habit, and I firmly believe it was a permanent cure.

Since my graduation I have held a nice position all the time and I have been a very happy man, to say nothing of the happiness of my family. I will always be under lasting obligations to the Keeley, and it will be my plassure always to advise and urge all those addicted to strong drink to take this treatment.

Yours truly,

Yours truly, R. L. HOPPER. Winston, N. C., Oct. 22, 1996.

IN MEMORIAM.

Mr. Charles Gordon McDowell.

Whose death occurred October 28th, 1907, at Granite Falls, was a citizen of Henderson county, N. C., where he was born January 27, 1817, consequently within three months he would have been 91 years of age.

In the passing away of one who has lived honorably and worthily for more than a period of ninety years there than a period of ninety years, there is involved a feeling beyond that with which the public learns of deceased at an ordinary age. The nonogenarian has been a link between the past and present, and has had an ever increasing store of valuable and intersting recollections. In such a person, let us say "personage," there are more than the common individual qualities that may claim friendly regard, for the aggregations of years are rich with wisdom and the windows of the soul can but have widened to a great out-The subject of this sketch

a splendid type of grand old age—tall, erect, clear skinned, vigorous. He needed neither glasses to aid his vision tions because of his great fondness wife, and was Miss Annie B. Gordon, who was a daughter of Maj. Charles Gordon, of Wilkes county, and grand-daughter of Gen. William Lenoir. General McDowell's father was Col. Charles McDowell, of Quaker Mead-ows, Burke county. Gen. Charles McDowell was the officer who held highest rank at King's Mountain. Major Gordon was badly wounded, and General Lenoir, as a captain under Cleveland, had his queue shot off at the same battle. Mr. McDowell and his only sister, Mrs. James C. Harper, of Hickory, N. C., are members of patriotic families for whom two countles of the State are named. They inherited a very large landed estate from General McDowell on the French Broad river. The splendid Westfields property belonged to Mrs. Harper and the ancestral home was still the home of Mr. McDowell, who has just passed away, while visiting his daughter, Mrs. P. G. Moore, at Granite Falls. deceased gentleman will be buried at Patty's chapel, near Fletchers, beyond Asheville.

His children are Mr. J. A. McDowell, of Winston, who came to go with the remains: Dr. Charles H. McDowell, Pope Will Not Allow Bishops to Read Reply to "Modernism"—Bishop Restricts Because He Had No Sympathy of Alabama; with Mrs. Moore, who survive him. His wife, who was a survive him. His wife, who was a Miss Jones, died some years ago, afof Waynesville; Mr. A. Jones McDow-

SALISBURY'S SECOND DAY.

Already the Yadkin Valley Fair is a Success Financially and Otherwise—Balloonist Comes Down With Snow on His Back—No Losses Yet Pickpockets - Attendance From Yesterday 25,000. Special to The Observer.

Salisbury, Oct. 30 .- The crowd that attended the second and Salisbury Day at the Yadkin Valley Fair towas the largest ever recorded in the city's life. The gate receipts show admissions to the number of 25.000 and the deadheads are not inconsiderable. The close of the day finds the managers, the five men who have worked a miracle, hoarse with joy, and the season is successful with the fair only half over.

Every man visiting the fair as an Advancement in Mechanical Arts and exhibitor or as a citizen pronounces. it the most successful thing in the The showmen are a unit in their belief that the association has the finest grounds in the Southern States. And when John J. Flanning. the finest crowd he had seen this year, and as fine a ground as he ever cast aerial optic over. His balloon ascension this afternoon, with the riple leap from the big ball, was

lecidedly the most exciting balloon act ever witnessed here. He went high that the balloon and two parachutes toppled over and fell to the ground long before he came down. He came down with snow on his back.

Hot races characterized the track work this afternoon. In the 2;19 ace Major Kipling won three of the our heats, with 2:19 as the best cord, with varyings of a second or on the others. Carolina Agnew won second money in this \$300 purse, and Dr. Zim third.

The trotting race with five en-trances—Running Brook, Zella Mack, Strong Chance, Harold and Little John-saw Running Brook away in 2:25, 2:24 1-4 and 2:26 1-4. Zella Mack came second, and the others divided third and fourth money. In the 2:15 pace Fleety J. paced it in 2:21 and 2:16, with Dr. Pear and Jack Gilman dividing second money. There were then several half-mile dashes and riderless runs, besides fancy shooting.

Thus far there are no real tosses

by fakirs or pickpockets. One fel-low, arrested while in the hands of a crowd about to treat him roughly, was released for want of evidence against him, and the officers have had little or nothing to do but guard the money that was fairly shoveled in. All the special trains brought big crowds, Stanly county sending 1,000. The day has been immense.

The Finacially Wise Mr. Bryan.

Norfolk Landmark. We are bound to smile when Mr. Bryan offers suggestions as to best plan for avoiding financial

The Greater Charlotte Pressing Club, Messrs. House and Williams proprietors, which suffered a loss of working material by fire a few nights ago is now re-equipped and has got back to business.

Trial Catarrh treatments are being mailed out free, on request, by Dr. Shoop. Sacine, Wis. These tests are proving to the people without a penny's cost-the areat value of this adentiting prescription known to druggists everywhere as Dr. Shoopy, tested by after the person of the people of the person of the penns of the penns

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Men's Turkish Bath Robes

A new lot of those durable Turkish Robes are so useful and comfortable for the bath. lounging and sick room. A good wash material and in good colors, for just......\$3.00

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The Blanket Sale

Is a great one. Every day the sales are running large and vesterday was a big one. They come in firsts, seconds and thirds. We sell them as they are. The damaged ones at about half price. If you need Blankets this winter, now is the time to buy

Children's School Shoes

A big stock of our celebrated School Security Shoes, as well as Woods' famous line for boys and girls. There are no better School or Dress Shoes than these. Our stock is new and large. Prices \$1.25 to \$2.50

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Shears, Scissors and Knives. All kinds Scissors Knives......\$1.50 to \$2.00

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One of the best makes of Military and Hair Brushes on the market.

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