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FRIDAY, NOVEMBER 22, 1907.

Not long ago a local paragraph ap-

A GARDEN SONG (GARTENLIED) FROM COLUMBIA.

ing local pride to boiling point. "For Observer the flowers blooming in the as enthusiastic conferees. open air in Columbia were casually noted in a single walk covering some ten blocks and skirting one or two small gardens. The result of that 'harvest of a quiet eye' was that more than twenty-three flowers were recorded. No effort was made to make the census of our flowers at all complete. Only one small garden was entered and one church close-most of the flowers being observed during a stroll in the streets." The State calls this muster-roll: "Chrysanthemums, violets (end of Charlotte's list), lilac, oleander, smilax, petunias, salvia, canna, marigolds, crab apple, fragrant olive, Ume (Japanese plum). astors, ageratum, eupatorium, mignonette, geraniums, verbena, morning-glory, evening-glory, or moonvine." There follows a floral rhapsody, concluding which it is declared that "we should not stop the care of the garden with the coming of fall or of winter, but keep on, planting flowers that will enrich the air of every morning with perfume and the sun-

light with radiance." With this beautiful love of native heath The Observer feels a sympathy which renders reply difficult. shall not intimate that any item, in The State's floral exhibit was perhaps only a flower of the imagination; we shall not even point out that Charlotte's list might easily have been excompiler guessed that the least rivala course we enter the plea nolumus tend. The State's local pride is too laudable, and, besides, we feel no shame in admitting that South Carolina is, for the most part, further south than North Carolina.

desirous that the silver service which cruiser North Carolina be presented in Cape Lookout harbor. It is represented that the big warship can make this harbor without any risk and that the trip by boat from Beaufort would be easy and pleasant for all who nal. might desire to attend. Such an ar rangement would obviate the necessity of holding the ceremony in waters outside the State, presumably either at Norfolk or Charleston. We well know that the navy officials are very careful indeed where they send big ships, but if the plan, upon due investigation, proves feasible, we should be greatly pleased to see it carried out.

The report from Lexington in yesterday's Observer that the Southern Railway will resume double-tracking north of Danville within the next few confirmation with much interest and trust that not only will the story prove true but that it means a resumption of similar work in North One Hundred and Ninety Newspapers Have Published Articles About It. Carolina before very long,

to be seen that the Seceders of the South have passed an order against the use of tobacco by ministers, elders, deacons, professors and college through syndicates from two of our presidents. On Elder Hemphill's account we earnestly hope that the next Synod will make an exception in favor of newspaper men.

The compulsory water wagon is so if we regard this mored work and pre-eminently the band wagon for project only as an advertising me-dium for Oreensboro and the Old North State, it is certainly a success. the scrambling and pushing have become downright unseemly.

elthdrawal of these credits it made a and there was no other producing

pet-bag days and had in some little This city was more fortunate perhaps than any other in having a working population who managed to keep on doubt think it is time for them to the prisoner.

Bd Graham Haywood prosecuted, and the late Judge T. C. Fuller defended, the late Judge T. C. Fuller defended, the prisoner.

The directors of the Fayetteville working, and consequently Charlotte move. folk forgot the panic long before the people of many other sections. .

certificates have been issued nor any cotton held in the country is a reserve asset which is being very little drawn

It is not intended here to brag, to wit: Keep at work, pay our debts, thus turning money loose and keepabout the recent little financial jolt. Whenever the people become more absorbed in their work than in panic matters-then the panic is over.

The Atlantic deeper waterways conover raspberries, tomatoes, chrysan- sults of immense benefit to the coun-The Columbia State's always simmer- Association was especially important. Charlotte's three flowers," breaks out be effectively advocated. We should ston was resting very well when his The State explosively, "Columbia has be even more gratified, however, had cousin left him.

> matters financial display a quite char- banking and tobacco people. We will not repeat them here, will been caught young a ground-work for resume its normal state.

Observer's umn: has added Rev. Plato Durham to its staff. with a heart that feels and throbs, and a mind that thinks. Many will regret it if this means he will leave the pulpit; but he will preach to thousands through The Observer, when he would only reach hundreds from the pulpit.-Newbern Sun.

The most interesting and important announcement in newspaper circles in this State recently was that of The Charlotte Observer to the effect that Rev. Plato Durham, formerly pastor of Trinity Methodist at Charlotte, has been adchurch. ded to its already brilliant staff. This announcement means much For The Observer it means that it

will be brightened and strengthened by the work of one of the broadest, freshest and most original minds in the State, or the South. Mr Durham is still a young man, but in the very forefront, and his previous career as a professor at Trinity College. usociated as he was with some of the biggest brains and most congented him for the work he will take up on The Observer.

For Mr. Durham, the change mean a broadening of his field of endeavor and a more thorough utilipowers. zation of his Insteal of speaking to a few hunfred people two or three times a week, he will speak to thousands every day. Mr. Durham's entrance into the field of journalism will be heartily welcomed by the fraternity through-

NOT RESORTING TO SCRIP.

out the State.-Winston-Salem Jour-

Report That Gastonia Banks Are Paying For Cotton in That Manner

Are False. To the Editor of The Observer:

In this afternon's issue of The Charlotte News, under the heading "Live News From Gastonia," appears the following item: "Gastonia banks have at last followed the example set by many banks in this section and they, too, are paying for cotton with

This statement is false in every parbanks have not paid for any cotton than 50,000 hands. with scrip, have met all demands in weeks was good indeed. We await a cash, and have never even thought of

tsauing scrip for any purpose.

BANKER. Gastonia, Nov. 21st, 1907.

To the Editor of The Observer:

One hundred and ninety newspa-From yesterday's Observer it was pers have published and scattered sbroad interesting, full and illustrated articles upon the reciamation of the Guilford Battle Ground within the last three months. This has been effected

large cities North.

These patriotic papers had these articles written by select members of their own editorial staff—requiring of me simply to furnish the data and photographs from which their cuts were taken

no need for the next Legislature to make North Carolina "dry." The degree retrieved something of its fal- old corn whiskey that used to sell len fortunes. Everybody was at work at 25 cents a pint, and a pint thrown MacRae and the famous Tolar trial and the panic made little impression. In for good measure with a half-gal-This city was more fortunate perhaps lon, will reball at 50 cents a pint. Ev-ernment of Conby, in which the late

material difference in Reidsville, as very little of the intoxicant is con-Now comes the panic of 1907. So sumed here, but it will be interestfar this city has withstood the storms ing to know how the local salcons' most handsomely. No clearing house patrons in the numerous prohibition towns will take on to the new scale certificates have been issued nor any of prices. If they even Resitate, or other expedient adopted in order to take to Peruna, the Reidsville saloons "keep the pot bilin," and work peo- will inevitably be a thing of the past, ple have continued at work. Unsold for the trade here would hardly support one saloon.

But it was a different tale to tell icant too freely he realizes that the writing on the wall." atmosphere in these diggings is not ing it in circulation, and forget all suited to his style and he either cuts through the week, as the cases are out booze or takes his departure to unimportant, and Judge Jones more congenial surroundings.

where he was with his cousin, Mr. 12 months. Peter W. Hairston, of Davie county. themums, roses and violets taken try. The conference's action in form- a ten-foot gulley on the side of the its roof early in 1908. from her garden on the 11th of No- ling a permanent organization under the road, who received a severe gash name of Atlantic Deeper Waterways over his right eye, his nose being Our inland seaboard water route will a result of the accident. Mr. Hair- Fairmont.

Tobacco has been coming to marthird day following the publication of Burton, chairman of the House rivers few days and prices are holding up the above paragraph in The Charlotte and harbors committee, been present remarkably well. The present flurry in the money centres will hardly of time not now looked for by the acteristic failure to grasp the situa- crop has hardly begun to move, and it be several months before the for we could but join in the ridicule bulk of the crop will change hands. In the meantime it is the hope of evwhich they have awakened in many ery citizen, and especially of those quarters, and that would be unkind. who till the soil, that the money ques-If the distinguished Nebraskan had tion will become settled and business

Rev. D. I. Craig is having quite a future mastery of financial questions demand for a new book he has just and other matters concerning practi- had published. The volume is entitical statesmanship might have been ed "A History of the Development of laid in even his peculiarly vagarious the Presbyterian Church in North Carolina and of Synodical Home Mismind, but it is clearly too late now sions." The book records the marvelous growth and development of the The Observer's New Special Writer. Presbyterian Church in the Old This simple announcement appears North State. Several chapters are dehead of The Char- voted to the origin, inauguration and Observer has great and interesting blographical sketches in announcing that it of leading Presbyterians of the times. The work of the outhor shows pains-No more words of introduc- taking research and a thorough tion were necessary. A gifted man, knowledge of the subject he handles. strong, intellectual, polished, human, The letter press is fine and the attractiveness of the volume is greatly enhanced by numerous half-tone pictures of prominent Presbyterians.

The auction sale of the Main stree residence lots by the Highlands Realty and Improvement Company Tues- Necessary to a Successful Sabbath that I declided a sternoon was slimly attended on School," Rev. J. M. Bigham, of me to act." account of the very bad weather. Only Huntersville, on "Missions in Saba small number of lots were sold, as many who anticipated buying could not be present and it was deemed best to sell only a part of them.

Mr. John W. Gibson, formerly of who was injured in the Reidsville. Royld on the night of Ocdamages in Guilford Superior Court. the Southern Railway being named as defendant.

Still Unwilling to Brime That Mr. Shook Was a " - "cher. Asheville Gazette-News

The Ashevile Gazett ery much a recent sky ch mountain neighbor, the late isl spirits of the State, especially fit- story in The Observer, but undertakes to correct the statement that Mr. Shook was once a preacher. Nevertheless, that's just what Mr. Shook was, and if his own testimony about this part of his career is to be believed he was a successful one.-Charlotte Observer.

We gladly add the above to the record, since to befog history is the last thing The Gazette-News would willingly attempt. The Observer's contribution is especially valuable since D. M. Shook, who thought he knew every incident in the life of his only brother, stated positively that J. Wiley was never at any time nor ever pretended to be, preacher or minister, or clergyman, or priest; and this opinion was shared by all Mr. Shook's other relatives. We might add that these relatives are of the same opinion still,

North Carolina's Marvelous Advance.

Richmond Times-Dispatch. The advance which North Carolina has made within the past twenty years is marvelous. Her cotton infrom forty-nine dustry has grown mills in 1890. with a capital of \$10,there being absolutely no 000,000 to 318 in 1907, with a capitruth in it whatever. The Gastonia tal of \$60,000,000, employing more

In 1890 the capital invested in the tobacco industry was less than \$5.000,000; to-day it is \$36,000.000, with a yearly output valued at \$28.

There has been similar advance in other branches of trade and industry. North Carolina has no large cities, but it has what is better-an unusually large number of towns, each of which is a trade centre for a rich farming community. She has many, natural advantages, but her progress is due to the enterprise, industry and ability of her sons, whose patriotic devotion is her most valuable asset and her crowning glory.

atroclous crime, which about the unjust imprison

met in business ression yesterday with the following out-of-town mem bers of the board present; John Blue of Aberdeen; J. W. McLauchlin an T. B. Upchurch, of Raeford; A. Mc Dowell, of Scotland Neck; K. M Dowell, of Scotland Neck; K. M. Biggs, of Lumberton; J. W. Ward, of Lumberton; Daniel Carter, of Buck-horn; L. Shaw and A. R.) McEachern, of St. Paul's; J. W. Carter, of Max-

It would be a blessed thing if sen-But it was a different tale to tell several years ago when, with population of less than half the number it is now, the town supproted about the ditorial of The Wilmington Messential services. President twenty saloons. Is the world getting ger of yesterday. Unfortunately, it is better? It seems that this immedinet. Fanaticism, with many-thonged be heard in the vanishing distance, ate area is. Nowadays a drinking whip, is in the saddle. The conservbut the intention is rather to suggest man does not have the respect of this ative, thoughtful people of such comthat we all do now as we did in 1893, population. He will not be tolerated, munities as Wilmirgton may as well and when he partakes of the intox- stand patiently, and read the "hand-

> Superior Court will hardly poses of business rapidly. So Mr. Robert Hairston has returned there are only two sentences to the from a short stay near Walnut Cove, public roads-one for 10 and one for

The handsome \$25,000 First Baptist who was injured several days ago. He and Hay Street Methodist churches peared in The Observer to the effect ference just held at Philadelphia was on the Dan viver looking after are progressing rapidly in construction that a Charlotte lady was rejoicing marks an important step toward reback, and when near the bridge his work remains to be done, and the horse shied, throwing the rider into congregation hopes to worship under Misses Ada Sessoms

McNeill, trained nurses of the Highbroken and his wrist sprained. He smith Hospital, have returned from was unconscious for several hours as special service at Bennettsville and

The Knights of Pythias of fourth district had a very enjoyable meeting last evening. Business of more than two score to show. The Speaker Cannon and Representative ket in very large quantities the past sidered, and after the convention there was a social gathering, with refreshments and brief, sparkling talks to enliven the evening. Many strike at the organizations themunless the panic extends over a period prominent out-of-town Pythians were welcome guests.

Mr. Warren J. Smith, a leading druggist of Athens, Ga., has been here to see his mother, Mrs. Jane Smith, who has been a patient in the Highsmith Hospital. SOUTHERN A. R. P. SYNOD.

Delegate Tells of What Was Done

To the Editor of The Observer:

The Associate Reformed Presbyterian Synod of the South was in session at Elk Valley church, near Fayetteville, Tenn., November 14th to 18th. In the absence of Rev. B. H. Grier, retiring moderator, Rev. O. Y. Bonner, of Due West, S. C., which the Synod was constituted with prayer by Rev. J. H. Peoples, of Columbus, Tenn., he being the gate Jones saw Mr. VanCleav preached the opening sermon, after oldest minister present. Then the moderator-elect, Rev. John A. White, of Blackstock, S. C., was called to

the chair. On Thursday night a conference Sabbath schools, in which Rev. R. L. Robinson, of Camden, Ala., spoke on "The Sabbath School Awakening," Rev. W. H. Mil-len, of Richland, Tenn., on "Things

bath Schools." Friday night a conference or Erskine College was held. Rev. John A. Smith of Charlotte, ad-dressed the Synod on "How the Pastors Can Further the Interests of the College," and Dr. James S. Mofhas filed suit for \$2,000 fatt, president of the college, spoke on "The Needs of the College."

Saturday at noon Rev. George E Hawes, of Braddock, Pa., fraternal delegate from the United Presbyterian Church, addressed the Synod. His address was splendid and was well received by Synod. Saturday night, instead of a con-

ference on home missions, Rev. Mr. its Hawes, by invitation, addressed the tin neighbor, the it's J. Wiley Synod on the subject of home mis-which appeared as a local sions. The Board of Home Missions was re-elected, with Dr. W. W. Orr added. Mr. George S. Mower, of Newberry, S. C., was re-elected treasurer of Erskine College. He has already served twenty years. Rev. R. E. Hough, of Corsicana, Tex., was elected general secretary of Y. P. C. Mountain, was appointed to the mission in Fayetteville, Tenn.

Newberry, S. C., was chosen as the next place of meeting, with Rev. W. H. Millen delegates and visitors were present A DELEGATE.

SHIPPING TIES TO PANAMA.

Wilmington Man Will Furnish Uncle Sam Several Thousand --Funeral of Mr. W. A. French to Grocer, Makes an Assignment, Special to The Observer.

Wilmington, Nov. 21 .- The Nor-Cecilia, Captain Brye, arrived in port to-day from Havana, Cuba, and will receive the first of several cargoes of cross ties which L. J. Merriman, of Wilmington, has contracted to furnish for the extensive government and railway construction work at Panama. as soon as the Cecilia is loaded, she will sail direct for Panama from Wilmington and will be followed by other steamers for similar cargoes on account of the phenominally low stage of water in all eastern North Carolina streams during hte latter part of the summer and early fall, it has been difficult for Mr. Merriman to raft the itmber down in any very targe quantities as he expected, but he nopes to have no difficulty for providing the steamers with cargoes as fast as they arrive. Several hundred thousand ties are said to be in the contract which Mr. Merriman has for the canal district.

and her crowning glory.

Not Such Easy Marks as Thought.

The funeral of the late Mr. William A. French will be conducted at 10:20 o'clock to-morrow from his late residence on South Fourth street, Rev. Fred D. Haie, D. D., officiating. The remains arrived here yesterday from Florence, S. S. near which place he died suddenly while hunting with his son declaring the matter of little concern its farmers." Is there then no gratifude in the hearts of the "peepul?"

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cause of the failure, some \$3.500 of the assets being in open accounts Arrangements are being made with treditors by which he hopes to resume houses.

GOMPERS HURLS DEFIANCE.

President of the American Federa-tion of Labor Reiterates His Charges of Bribery Against Bran-denburg, Laying the Guilt at the Door of the National Manufactu-r-Norfolk, Va., Nov. 21 .- At the pening of to-day's session of the American Federation of Labor, President Gompers, with vice President O'Connell, in the chair, arose to a ply to the denial sent out from New York last night by Broughton Bran-denburg, who, declaring that he was the man referred to by President Gompers in the latter's charges Gompers said in part:

"I want to call your attention to the fact that if Brandenburg desired only to consult me about a publica tion, why was it necessary for him then to so persistently urge me to see him in private? Why was it necessary for him to assume a false name? Why so much secrecy? Why his letter to me urging that I come at once to New York, to use the lan guage he did, saying it was necessary for me to come at once—as matters are coming to a critical crisis? Why could there have been such a critical crisis between two men who had only a passing acquaintance if only a public action was involved? If there was no attempt to bribe upon what other basis did he hope that I was going to abandon my life's

"All the circumstances link by link show Brandenburg came to me as a representative of the 'National Manufacturers' Association.' even disre garding the statement that he himself told me directly that he represented this association whose pur-pose was to attack and destroy and bribe the men of labor in order to

"Why was it necessary for him to reassure me that he represented the Manufacturers' Association coming to me with warrants issued and signed by the Century syndicate, an auxil lary of the National Manufacturers Association, the marks of the latter appearing in no less than two instances on the warrants presented; at the Recent Sessions Held in the initials in one instance and the Tennessee—One Night Given to the full name of the Manufacturers' Association of Erskine College. These warrants were eight inches long and four or five inches wide, such as are used in ordinary bustness houses to safeguard their money transactions.

"Immediately after my speech was informed by Delegate Jerome Jones that about the time I told of having received letters from Branneld, S. C., for a conference, Dele gate Jones saw Mr. VanCleave, the president of the Manufacturers' Association, and another man in proximity to Elgefield. I am willing to stand before delegates, the rank and file of labor and the general public for them to judge the meaning of this man's great secretiveness, the mystery which he threw around the whole affair and the documents produced by me. The key to it all is that I declined to act as he wanted

A great ovation to Mr. Gompers

BUDGET OF GREENSBORO NEWS

Thanksgiving Attractions Being Ar-ranged—Elks Prepare a Programme of Some Length For Memorial Day -White Man Threw Addled Eggs Into Negro Waiting Room. Special to The Observer

Greensboro, Nov. 21 .- The sixth annual turkey shoot will take place on Thanksgiving Day, being this year near the fair grounds, west of this city. A swell german is also planned for the evening of Thanksgiving Day in the assembly hall of the Benbow.

Mr. and Mrs. Henry C. Marley and bride, nee Miss Kathryn Perkins, of Stuart, Va., were guests of honor at a. most delightful reception given Monday evening at the home of Mr. and Mrs. G. P. Crutchfield, on Asheboro street. Mrs. Crutchfield is a sister of Mr. Marley.

The programme has been arranged C. U. and Sabbath schools by Greensboro longe of Lodge of J. M. Garrison, of King's annual memorial services, or Lodge of the first was appointed to the Sorrow, on the afternoon of the first Suntay in December at 2:30 o'clock Not a member of the local lodge has died during the year and it was demoderator. About 100 cided to meet in the lodge room in and visitors were present stead of in the Grand, as formerly The programme includes addresses of the principles of the order by Moses H. Cone, on "Charity;" by Mr G. S. Bradshaw, on "Justice;" by Mr. D. P. Stern, on "Brotherly Love;" by Solicitor A. L. Brooks, on "Fidelity, and by Mr. John Wilson, on "Good of Be Held To-Day - D. N. Stanley, the Order." At last night's meeting the initiation was conferred upon Mr. Robert F. Rackley and two applicants were elected to membership.

Lee Hunt white, was taken to Randolph county this morning by Sheriff Hayworth, of Randolph, to answer the charge of throwing rotten eggs into the colored reception room Southern Railway depot at Randleman last August

Mrs. Martha M. Hodgin and two daughters have moved to Greensboro from Gorrell township, and are living on South Mendenhall street.

All Should Agree on Charlotte. Statesville Landmark. Some time ago it was suggested that the next Democratic State convention should be held in Charlotte and the suggestion has met with general apconvention, Asheville is rather far to the west and as Greensboro has had the honor several times and appears willing to turn loose, there is no rea-son why all hands should not agree on Charlotte. Since that place has an auditorium and enlarged hote

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The entire Sample line of genuine Alligator Hand Bags, Purses and Card Cases for Ladies and Gentlemen, bought at a big discount. The lot will be on sale Thursday morning at both stores. The early customer gets the best bargains. Prices from

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.... 50c. to \$12.50 each

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Brown and Blue Stripe and Solid Garnet, 50 inches wide, Priestley's goods. Price the yard\$1.25

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faction to the Wearer. WAIST SILKS

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BELT BUCKLES

A beautiful line of Belt Buckles, all new imported designs, plain, fancy and black for ladies in mourning.

LINENS

The Linen sale goes merrily on. Big mail orders are coming in from many towns in North and South Carolina. See window displays, both stores.

The Little-Long Co.