The Charlotte Observer.

FRIDAY, FEBRUARY 14, 1908.

MR. ALDRICH AND HIS FAD CUR-RENCY BILL.

nator Aldrich has made a characteristically able argument for the mergency currency bill bearing his name and it seems fairly certain that the bill will pass, if only because the dominant party cannot afford to show lieve the situation; secondly, something is now needed to restore confi- freighted with his hopes of a guber- and that in all probability Randall dence; lastly, the demand for an isment must be headed off by an alter- among the candidates in the fifth or some other safe jail, native expedient.

us very well founded. The financial He has put this unworthy suspicion panics with which this country is familiar have always followed a collapse from an over-wrought boom when credit, long under violent strain, verges alarmingly near breaking point. This experience the counfry has just had, and in the nature for a decade at the least. But, granting the possibility of another panic in the near future, our chief objection remains, Mr. Aldrich's proposed principle. He would leave the present wretched financial system in full as aforesaid. force and effect, only trusting to patch it up as it breaks down from time to time. What the country realsystem along modern lines with a view to utilizing the experience of other countries in preventing breakdowns altogether. Instead of providing for elasticity he offers a device for minifying the effects of continued inelasticity. That device, moreover, is open in an extreme degree to the objections usually urged against patch work. Granting that such a measure the force of panics, it can still be strongly argued that panics would be fore. Wall Street continually presumes upon the knowledge that the Secretary of the Treasury stands ever for Secretary Taft or the G. O. P. ready to rush to its aid with the available surplus; what would not Wall Street and the great speculative interests of the country at large venture if to surplus and bond issues against forced liquidation as the Aldhowever far they go provided only they go far enough to imperil busiby foreing heavy purchases of the ing jeered at. securities boomed by them. Furthermore, this money, although plentiful, would be expensive; and speculative interests, being able to-stand far higher rates for short-time use than legitimate business, would get the bulk of it. The Aldrich measure, in short, is a pro-speculation measure and further centralizing an already over-centralized control of the counand political associates would lead ene to expect. Even the argument that it is necessary in order to forestall legislation much worse cannot reconcile us to it.

The only plea by Mr. Aldrich which appeals to us at all is of the remedy for the present admittedly but the contention that its enactthe country's monetary system calls for a moment's separate consideration. If heavily patching up a crazy and long since outworn structure where re-building is urgently required does not mean that such re-building will be delayed, it does not mean anything at all. The enactment of the Aldrich makeshift would constitute a distinct act of postponement. of indefinite postponement. The present system, dear to some exceedingly powerful people because of its very abuses, would receive a fresh lease on life. Real reforms would recede further into the distance.

might be much worse, but it is bad enough in all conscience. If Congreen passes it as it now stands we has been very poorly served inlieed. lah. STILL GROPING.

We are unconvinced by the inter lew given by a Charlotte gentleman Wednesday and published in yesterday's paper, advancing the theory that Mr. W. W. Kitchin's letter to that the congressional convention for the fifth district be postponed until after the State convention, was bottomed upon a desire on his part to save himself from the embarrassment five gentlemen who are contesting for the congressional nomination in the tion before going into a presidential afth until after trying his fortunes keeping. He is, however, apparently campaign; but the better reason of before the State convention; and the indifferent to the crime charged country remains unconvinced. fact that this theory is entertained against him and seems to have no Grand Three principal arguments are made also in Winston, Greensboro and by the Rhode Island Senator to show | Washington does not tend in the least that the public would be benefited by to abate our skepticism. Why? Be- Asheville to prevent a lynching. The his plan for an emergency bank note cause Mr. Kitchin's well-known uncurrency based on State, municipal selfishness, his willingness to sacri- been reliably informed that as quick and railway bonds, limited in aggregate amount to half a billion dollars
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selfishness, his willingness to sacribeen reliably informed that as quick
ed a fextival engagement. Her contraito voice is very beautiful, especialtraito voice is very be and taxed at the rate of 6 per cent. trict to violate an immemorial pre- been selected to storm the jail and

district might result in another con-These arguments do not appear to gressional nomination for himself. to sleep by a denial of its justice.

We shall wait for an explanation sons" which he says "are manifest," of the district convention until after of things it can hardly repeat itself the State convention is held. They are of course ample and satisfactory and we await in perfect confidence their unfolding, never doubting that the motives of The Aspirant, so far remedy is fundamentally wrong in from being "ulterior," are high and holy. But in the meantime we grope

It is apparent, from the result of the Ohio Republican primaries, that ly needs is a thorough re-modeling of the Foraker crusade had little if any effect upon the colored vote. That was rightly regarded as a danger away from Secretary Taft in his own State it would have been an indication that they would do so in other States, in which case his presidential cake would be dough, for the colored voters hold the balance of power between the parties in a number of Northern States and the Republican party cannot for that reason afford to nominate a candidate who would allenate them. But "the colored troops fought nobly" in Ohio, hence Brownsville has no further terrors

We don't think much of the ridicule with which Mr. John A. Roebling, the millionaire, has been assalfed because in the exercise of an unwere added such an assurance doubted right he has quit Asheville as a place of residence because it ed a safe and certain line of retreat his former home in New Jersey. One pany brought the series of perform- long to any part of the city's fire ser- "Brooks of Sheffield is smart." may think as one pleases about the ances which that company offered the informed that there is something Murdstone on the occasion when he carried little David Copperfield to a ness generally, the big Wall Street more people in North Carolina, esmen could be relied upon to give the pecially people with millions, but country some hard jolts every little they ought to be allowed to feel that while. The Aldrich bill would not if they come here and deport themonly protect stock market boomers selves as good citizens but want to yet a most useful purpose was servby supplying them with a flood of leave for reasons of their own, they money at need but it would also help will be permitted to do so without be- lotte a musical treat which cannot

county on account of the atrocious calumny which has been uttered against him and on account of which o'clock. he has become involved in the courts. from first to last, coddling speculation He has been indicted for bigamy, the specification being that he has three wives. This charge he reputry's currency. It is just what a diates with scorn, protesting-and knowledge of Mr. Aldrich's financial his claim must be allowed until the contrary is proved-that he has only

According to a story generally accepted as true, Count Laszlo Szechenyi and his Vanderbilt bride were and preceded to Europe by \$5,000,000 of purely negative sort. He does not the latter's fortune, which had been claim that his scheme is a general transferred to banks in Buda-Pesth the upper register. He was enthus!subject to the joint order of the astically applauded faulty system or that it is anything but simple anti-panic legislation. The enactment of his bill, he points out. What is Congress thinking about that none of the proposed financial fered. Her high notes were as clear of an asset currency nor the advo-legislation provides any remedy for of an asset currency nor the advo- legislation provides any remedy for as a bell and true. Her medit

South Carolina historians have made ment would not stand in the way of us familiar. It is North Carolina's a comprehensive re-organization of pride that she can show a greater variety of products than almost any other State at all.

> President Roosevelt's denial that he is using Federal patronage for the promotion of Secretary Taft's candidacy is not calculated to help the administration cause in the

It appears that the Japanese opened the door in Manchuria all right enough, but unhappily for American and European exporters they closed slah," Haydn's "Creation," Mendels-sohn's "Elljah" and Saint Saens 'Deit behind them.

REMOVED FOR SAFE-KEEPING.

John Randall Taken From Marshall

Jall to Asheville to Prevent a
Lynching by Madison Citizens—
Charge Against Him Brutal Marder
of His Wife, and Feeling Against

Him is Interess.

Him is Interess. Him is Intense. -

Special to The Observer. Asheville, Feb. 12.-Sheriff Cole and Deputy Sheriff Springle, of Madi-John Randall, charged with the cruel

sheriff stated to-night that he had a most Firstly, he contends, the country may cedent merely for his selfish benefit. Take Randall out and lynch him. It was for the purpose of frustrating this plan that Sheriff Cole this evening he watched with interest and pride hurried his prisoner off to Asheville. 1907 nor any United States bonds man-he never talks about himself- hurried his prisoner off to Asheville. by quite a number of Charlotte peofree for use may be available to re- repet the base suggestion that he It is rumored to-night that even the pie who enjoy her acquaintance. realizes that the ship that was Asheville jail is not considered safe natorial nomination has sunk and will be taken away to-night or to- Citizens Give the City Fire Departsue of legal tender by the govern- that he thinks that a hot contest morrow and removed to Waynesville

> The feeling in Madison county against Randall is growing more in- To the Editor of The Observer. tense every day and much excitement, it is said, now prevails all over the On the way to Asheville Randall talk-'the loss of his old woman' (meaning Wednesday. his wife), whom he killed, was causing him uneasiness. It is almost certain that if Randall remained in inent citizens of Dilworth, and Murshall jail he would be lynched.

MILITIA ORDERED OUT.

Grave Danger of Lynching of Negro in Washington County For Shooting Town Coustable, and Governor Orders Sheriff to Use Militia.

Raleigh, Feb. 13 .- Governor Glenn -night received an urgent telegram from the sheriff of Washington county asking permission to call out the litla to protect a negro from lynch-The telegram to the Governor from Sheriff W. J. Jackson, dated Plymouth, reads as follows:

"Grave danger of lynching caused negro shooting town constable. Please put National Guard marine corps here at my disposal. Wire at

Governor Glenn's answer was

"Order out State militia subject to your commands. Convey prisoner to

place of safety. Allow no lynching." THE CLOSING CONCERTS.

The Afternoon and Night Performances of the Mctropolitan Grand Concert Company Two Delightful Occasions—All the Singers Acquitted Thmselves Handsomely to the Pleasure of Their Audiences.

Thoroughly enjoyed entertainments yesterday afternoon and last night by voted for prohibition and returned to the Metropolitan Grand Concert Comwhich the weather put the affair with The Southern Cotton Oil Company, E. About his attentions to David's the consequently reduced attendance. ed, in affording to the people of Charfail to have a beneficent effect on the musical taste of the people. The Every right-minded man must ladies and gentlemen composing the sympathize with the indignation of company are not only gifted in their the Holiness preacher in Buncombe art but are most pleasant personally and made numerous friends during their brief stay in the city.

The afternoon concert began at 3 clock. One of the most praiseworthy features was the singing of Miss Adah Campbell Hussey, who is better adapted to the rendition of songs than to that of operatic tracts. Her singing was truly delightful. Especially charming was her in terpretation of "Der Nussbaum," by Schumann, Her diction was clear and distinct and her shading truly artis

Mr. Edward Strong, the tenor, did not sing the numbers mentioned on the programme, but substituted for them, "I'll Sing Thee Songs of Araby, first and second numbers. He again demonstrated to the full his great power and case of tone formation in

thorough than a "jack of all trades." in the extracts from Haendel's "Mesdilah" the singers did themselves more we recognize that the Aldrich bill might be much worse, but it is bad nough in all conscience. If Confess passes it as it now stands we hall rest convinced that the country hall rest convinced that the convert use than on revelous occasions. And one might add that these oral vector that the begun developme

sponded with an encore number.

The song cycle, Arthur Whiting's most in the audience. It is a humor-"Floriana." was something new to ous compound somewhat lengthy and too often interspersed with Wagnerian harmonica. The three by four movement, shouts of joy and hurray cries, was the most enjoyable part of Mr. Whiting's fantasy. The singers Whiting's fantasy. The singers made the most of this modern utterance and their efforts were rewarded by enthusiastic, nay, rapturous, ap-

Miss Hussey Peculiarly Gifted. Miss Adah Campbell Hussey, who is the contralto in the Metropolitan Grand Concert Company, sings in the choir of the Western Collegiate church, in New York City. She has done a great deal of concert and oratio work. Miss Hussey made a most favorable impression at Worcester, Mass. last fall where she fillcester. Mass., last fall where she fill-ed a festival engagement. Her con-

A PROTEST FROM DILWORTH.

ment and the Press, Too, a Few Solar Plexus Licks About Fire Pro-Write-Up, and a Fire Respectively.

The undersigned tax-payers of Dilworth hereby enter protest against county as a result of the brutal mur-der of Mrs. Pandall the brutal mur-protection in this suburb. Also we der of Mrs. Randall by her husband, enter protest against the articles which have appeared in the daily ed about business affairs but admitted press enlogizing the Charlotte fire department for the way it handled the that he was in great trouble, that fire at Mr. Wheeler's residence on

some of the most influential and promsome of the heaviest taxpayers of Charlotte, are as follows:

(1) The fire alarm at the .corner of East Boulevard was promptly turn-The city department did not (2)

promptly arrive.
(3) When they did arrive, had no wrench with which they could open the hydrants, and they had to borrow one from the shops of the American Machine Company, some 600 yards from the hydrant where they wanted to use it. When they got ready to shut off the water, a wrench was borrowed from the house of Mr. E. W. Thompson.

(4) No fire engine came with which to raise sufficient pressure to fight the fire. The natural pressure from the hydrant was very low.

Long before the department reached the fire, the employes of the American Machine Company, the Southern Cotton Oll Company and the American Machine Afherton Mill turned out with their organized fire departments, under the leadership of Mr. Ed Sargent, and got the fire under control with water fur nished from cisterns by the combined fire pumps of the Atherton Mill and the Southern Cotton Oil Company. We believe that if this fire had occurred in the night when the voluntary fire-fighters of these factories were not on the alert, and when the city department would have been the

Dilworth would have burned. vice, we think the public cusht to be was not a financial success, owing manding the prompt correction of seaside resort, and there met Mr. partly to the great disadvantage at evils which can be definitely shown to Quinion and several other

> Machine and Manufacturing Com- ow." pany, William H. Flint, Secretary and Treasurer; Edward L. Sargent; "take care if you please. Somebody's The Charlotte Trouser Company, R. sharp." C. Moore, Assistant Treasur-er; R. C. Moore, W. T. Taliferro; Charlotte Cordsge Com-pany, Mr. J. L. Sexton, Presi-dent and Treasurer; J. L. Sexton, J. dent and Treasurer; J. L. Sexton, J. Brem, R. A. Mayer, R. M. Brannon, B. D. Springs, W. A. Reynolds, E. W. Thompson. Edwin Howard, O. W. Thompson. Edwin Howard, O. D. Wheeler, C. B. Bryant, T. W. Crews, R. G. Brice, Edward M. Bell, T. L. Black, W. R. Cornell, W. D. Carpenter, W. M. Lyles, E. T. Stenersen, C. F. Shuman, J. W. Mobley. Robert J. Waller, H. C. Long, John F. Yorke, T. C. Guthrie, L. W. Porter.

CONSTRUCTION OR DESTRUCTION

Let Us Adopt a Policy of Justice and Fair-Dealing, to Encourage Invest-ment and Forward the Development of the State. Laurinburg Exchange.

a leading editorial from The Char-lotte Observer of a few days ago. We are copying it on account of its and we ask a careful reading of the same at the hands of our subscribers. We all know that our State is just in the making; in many important matters ours is a virgin State and a rich field for decates of a central bank from agitating their plans; he merely contends that at present it is impossible to secure legislation in either direction, wherefore he seeks to lessen the dangers of the existing system. We have already expressed the opinion that his bill's tendency to create emergencies would outweigh its possible usefulness in relieving them, where of the reasoning with which which was rather uncertain and not steadfast.

The quartette extract from Liza Lehmann's "In a Persian Garden" was well sting and completely captivated the audience. The work of the accompanist, Miss Miorence Mc-Millan, was indeed well done.

It seems that the best is oft times saved for the very last, so as to leave the affects financial interest more than does our political practices. This being so that man or set uninutes before the end of his day's work, rather than to stay five minutes before its a big printing establishment in Washington, D. C., where every man is said to have his hand on his coat and hat five minutes before the hour of closing. This is not force the hour of closing. This is not

velopment, and we owe it to ourselves, our neighbors, and our country to see to it that no proplication in a programme which was much better suited to the tendency of their voices and their respective tempersuited. The control singing is an art in itself, and a specialist is always more thorough than a "jack of all trades."

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The Charlotte Observer is striking to the extraction of the control of the contr know that as a State we are for the some honest thing in all our dealings and good that prejudice has no place with us, these days. The acticles than he is we can and will contribute in an im-

FOR ATTORNEY GENERAL

Mr. Charles H. Ireland Places For mer Speaker Justice in Nomination For the Office—State Needs a Man Well Qualified and Equipped and Mr. Ireland Believes Mr. Justice is To the Business Men of North Cary-

The Legislature has adjourned an The Legislature has adjourned at I believe the consensus of opinum is that it was a wise and partising body and even those who reviled it has year as being raileal and fanatical have concluded that after all has been said and done that possibly the Legislature of 1906 was perhaps the most representative body that has assembled in Raleigh since the war, and that the consequence of its actions has been more far reaching tions has been more far reaching and beneficial in building up the in terests of the State. It is true the some unessiness as to the outer justed to the satisfaction of all con-cerned that happily need not oother In the future aljustmen; of what has always been the matter of thief con-cern to the business interests of the State, namely the equalization and corrections of the inequalities of freight rates and the discriminations against North Carolina in the transportation of her great material in-terest both intra and inter-State. That this should be done I believe every one concedes but a part of the rail road people themselves, but this is no new awakening. It was left by the Legislature of 1906 to take first step towards correcting this in-equality and it behooves the business interests of the State to see that this natter is continued until proper lief is granted. The State has up propriated a sum to aid in pressing this claim but it is necessary that the State be further fortified by furnishing it with the ablest talent be had in pressing its claims.

talent, patience and persistence ar necessary to fit one for this duty and in addition to this, ability to know and the determination to persist until the State is fairly treated in its freight The facts in the case as vouched This brings to the front this in for by reputable eye-witnesses and by quiry: Who is to do it and where it the man qualified to fill this position

The answer is, the Attorney General of the State is the proper and only man who should lo it, and in my humble judgment it is far more important to the business interests of North Carolina as to who will be our next Attorney General than it is as to who will be Governor. The answer to the second is, Hon. Edward J. Jus-tice, ex-Speaker of the House of Representatives. of 1906. He, in my judgment, is by far better qualified and equipped for this work than any man in the State; honest, wise, conservative, able and true. His absolute consistency in all the delicate and difficult legislation of the last year marks him as well as the state of the last year marks him as well as the state of the last year marks him as well as the state of the last year marks him as well as the state of the last year marks him as well as the state of the last year marks him as well as the state of the last year marks him as well as the state of the last year marks him as well as the state of the last year marks him as well as the state of the last year marks him as well as the state of the last year marks him as well as the state of the last year marks him as well as the state of the last year. year marks him as pre-eminently ted to stand up for the people's in

terest in in any cause that may arise I have never spoken to him about the matter nor do I know that he would be willing to make the pecuniary sacrifice which he would have to make to serve in this capacity, but he is patriotic and I believe the husiness interest of the State ought to insist upon his taking the office as

CHARLES H. IRELAND. Greensboro, Feb. 13th, 1908.

A FRIGHTFUL EXAMPLE.

Showing Wherein One Who Essays a Quotation Should Be Sure of His Ground, To the Editor of The Observer:

The Observer is usually so correct city department would have been the in its literary references, that a only dependence, this entire block in "little slip-up" attracts all the more attention. In the editorial this morn-While we do not wish to cast asper-sions on any worthy citizens who be-sions on any worthy citizens who be-

Thompson, D. M.; American mother, the "bewitching little wid-

"Quinion," said Mr. Murdstone

E. Crayton, Walter Brem, J. Robin was quite relieved to find that it was only Brooks of Sheffleld, for, at first, I really thought it was I. (See David Copperfield, Vol. 1, Page 18).

T. C. GUTHRIE. [Mr. Guthrie certainly has The strated to it the unwisdom of trying to quote from memory from a book which one has not read or opened for-well, not to be too definite, a great many years.—Editor.]

WASHINGTON DUKE'S RECIPE. Pioneer Durham Tobacco Manufac-turer's Pithy Business Maxim.

Wall Street Journal. The late Washington Duke, ploneer In another column we are copying of the industry which later devel-leading editorial from The Char- oped into the American Tobacco Company, was once asked for a retpe for being successful in business. He replied: "Find out what the peo ple want, and then give it to them

good and plenty. Andrew Carnegie at the Genese ociety dinner in this city recently

Millah, was indeed well done.

It seems that the best is oft times should be corrected, whether practiced by corporations, firms or individuals, but at the sametime unjust a strong desire, nay a craveng for a repetition in the listeners' cars. Such was the case with the Methropolitan Grand Opera Company; its members made their farewell bow to Charlotte in a programme which was much better suited to the case of a man's work is the better suited to the case of a man's work is the selves, our neighbors.

The Charlotte Observer is striking some giant blows in the interest of

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Oh, This Weather!



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