OLD RUTHERFORD IS SOLID ENTIRE VOTE IS FOR MR. CRAIG

epresented, and was harmonious proughout. Mr. Locke Craig was unanimously endorsed for Governor and the delegates to the State conwention were instructed to cast Rutherford's 12 votes for the Buncombe in an. Hon. W. T. Crawford was also unanimously endorsed for Congress in this, the tenth, district; as was also Mr. John C. Mills, of this place, for the State Senate in this, the thirty-third, district, and Mr. L. E. Powers shird, district, and Mr. L. E. Powers ceedingly warm one. for Commissioner of Labor and Print-Claude Kitchin Endorsed for Congress by Hallfax. lorsing Mr. Craig for Governor, were Special to The Observer. introduced by Mr. Carson Daily, of Weldon, May 4.—The Halifax coun-tilenboro, and were unanimously ty convention was held to-day. Deleintroduced by Mr. Carson Daily, of dopted by a rising vote:

"Whereas, the Hon. Locke Craig, a distinguished citizen of our adjoining county, has for more than ten years erford county,and whereas we recognise in him a true exponent of Deperacy, standing for all that De- Special to The Observer. means, 'equal rights to all and special privileges to none; and, learning and ability, he is the peer of any man in the State, and worthy to occupy the position adorned by North Carolina's greatest son, the Hon. Zebulon Baird Vance, therefore,

Butherford county, in convention as- astic and unanimous for Kitchin for sembled, hereby instruct our dele- Governor. For Congress Brooks gets sembled, hereby instruct our delegates to the State convention to cast the vote of Rutherford county as a w. T. Bradsher, of Roxboro, gets 10; unit for the Hon. Locke Crais, of Buncombe, as our choice for Govern-vote.

Other resolutions that received the mainmous endorsement of the con-ention were the following: "Whereas the Democrats of Ruth-"Whereas the Democrats of Ruthwhereas the Democrats of Ruthsrford county believe that it will be
unwise for the Ruste Democratic convention to send an instructed delegation to send an instructed delegation to see Instinat convention at
Denver; therefore, be it

"Bestleyd That the

the State convention from Ruther-ford county be, and they are hereby, instructed and directed to cast the vote of Rutherford county in favor of an uninstructed delegation to the national convention and to vote against any instructions or presidential pref-

CRAIG CARRIES CLEVELAND.

Only One Delegate to the County Convention For Horne, and the Del-egation to State Convention is In-Special to The Observer.

Shelby, May 4.—The Cleveland county Democratic convention met in Shelby at 11 o'clock to-day. Sheriff A. B. Suttle, chairman of the execu-A. B. Suttle, chairman of the executive committee, called the convention to order and placed Mr. O. Max Gardner in the chair. Mr. Gardner was made permanent chairman and started the convention going with a lively speech in which he arraigned the Republican national administration and predicted Democratic success in November.

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A resolution was adopted instructing Cleveland county's delegates to the State convention to vote for the momination of Mr. Locke Craig for Governor. A poll of the convention showed every precinct unanimous for the Buncombe man except King's Mountain, which sent nine delegates Mountain, which sent nine delegates for Craig and one for Horne. While the secretaries were trying to figure out the small fraction of a vote io which the Horne delegate would be entitled, he moved that the instruction be unanimous for Craig, which was adopted amidst great applause.

The convention passed a resolution endorsing and commending the record of Congressman E. Y. Webb and instructing for him. Also a resolution

structing for him. Also a resolution was adopted instructing for Auditor Dixon. No further instructions were made and the convention, which was

DURHAM RETURNS NOT ALL IN.

Given Saturday Night.

Special to The Observer.

Durham, Mat 4.—The returns of Saturday's primary are so slow in coming in that it will be late tomorrow before the total returns are in and tabulated. However, the reports, almost complete as to Governor and Congress, official and unofficial, but correct, give practically the returns of the primary. For Governor, with one precinct and that a very small one, to hear from, Kitchin's total is 1,142; Horne, 462; Craig.

143. This makes a total primary veterfor Governor of 1,748. The one precinct to be added will not give more than fifteen votes.

The congressional vote from nine-teen of the twenty-three precincts.

city at noon to-day of attended, every precinc cented. Thirteen de-centing the thiriesn vot

Becial to The Observer.

Rutherfordion, May 4.—The Democratic executive committee of Northampton convention here to-day for the purpose of electing delegates to the State, compressional and senatorial conventions. The convention was largely attended, every precipit in the county being committee recommends that vote in each precipit for various candidates. cial to The Observer each precinct for various candidates be by ballot.

Thornburg Ticket Reported Victori ous at Bessemer City. By Bell Telephone to The Observer.

gates to the State convention were in-structed to cast 15 2-3 votes for Kitchin for Governor, and 1-3 of a county, has for more than ten years endorsed for Congress and the solid liven his valuable services to Ruth-vote of the county instructed for

Montgomery Gives Craig Majority.

Troy. May 4.—The Democratic convention held here to-day passed resolutions endorsing Senators Simmons whereas, in character and culture, in and Overman, Congressman R. N. learning and ability, he is the peer Page and other State officers. The vote for the gubernatorial candidates Craig 4.165; Kitchin 1.4875; follows: Horne .3475.

Person Unanimous For Kitchin. Special to The Observer.

Roxboro, May 4.—The county Democratic convention to-day was enthus

Hon. H. L. Godwin Endorsed by the Harnett Convention Special to The Observer.

Murphy, May 4.—The Democratic county convention, held here to-day instructed its four delegates to vote for Locke Craig, first, last and all the

Official Vote in Harnett.

Special to The Observer.

Dunn, May 4.—Complete returns from the primaries in Harnett county show the following gubernatorial vote: Kitchin 5.98; Horne 1.23; Craig

HUNTING NEGRO RAPIST.

Dastardly Crime Excites Citizens of a Virginia Village.

Roanoke, Va., May 4.—Passengers arriving here to-night on a Norfolk & Western train report that a Mrs. Meeks was this afternoon assaulted by a negro in her home at Elliston, Va., a small town 30 miles west of Roanoke. The negro, a stranger, is Roanoke. The negro, a stranger, is said to have arrived at Elliston to-day and going to the Meeks' home asked for food. While Mrs. Meeks turned to put down her infant which she carried in her arms, the negro

all directions to-night. A Suspect Arrested. Roanoke, Va., May 4.—A special late to-night from Elliston says a negro was arrested at Shawsville and carried before Mrs. Meeks for identification, but proved not to be the right man and was turned loose. Another negro believed to be the gullty man had been seen coming toward. other negro believed to be the guilty man has been seen coming toward Roanoke and Sheriff Martin has personally offered a reward of \$50 for his capture. It is now said there is no danger of a lynching. Mrs. Meeks says she can identify her assailant.

NEGRO BOY INSTANTLY KILLED.

While Riding Bicycle He Collid With a Woman and is Killed Who His Head Strikes Paving. Special to The Observer.

Special to The Observer.

Spartanburg, S. C., May 4.—Roscoo Hill, colored, aged 15 years, a delivery boy at the meat market, was killed this afternoon while riding, a bloycle on South Church street. The boy collided with a colored woman and fell, his head striking the bitulithic paving with great force, killing him instantly. The woman was not injured.

Lynchburg, Va., May 4. H. Taylor, until two months ago cashier of the American National Bank of this city, was indicted in the corporation court to-day on the charge of embessing \$4,250 from the Bonasck Machine Company, a local concern. It is charged that Taylor extricated a certificate of stock from the stock hook and sold if and

MR, BULKELEY SETTLES IT THAW OUT OF MATTEAWAN A DULL DAY IN THE HOUSE CUrrency measures. Chairman Fowler was authorized to lay this request before Speaker Cannon. THE NEGRO SOLDIERS INNOCENT IN DUTCHESS COUNTY JAIL NOW. a Result of Yesterday's Proceedings on a Writ of Habeas Corpus Sued Out in an Effort to Have Him Declared Legally Sane, He is Transferred to Jail to Await Final Decision on the Writ—Formal Hearing in the Case Will Come Before the Supreme Court of New York State Next Monday—Thaw in Excellent Health, Having Gained 26 Pounds Since His Incarceration in the Asylum.

CHARLOTTE, N. C., TUESDAY MORNING, MAY 5, 1908.

an opportunity to appear in person to oppose Thaw's release from the

EVEDYN STILL TRUE.

counsel, formally filed his writ and received from District Attorney Mack

his return to it. District Attorney Mack then moved that the proceed-

HARD ON DUCHESS COUNTY.

Mr. Mack said he was informed that it would cost Duchess county

\$30,000 to have the proceedings tried

m Duchess county. He thought it would be bad for the taxpayers of Duchess county if the precedent were established that such cases must be

Mr. Garvin said that the frial would

corpus was made returnable. He said that the statement of cost of the proceedings had been exaggerated; that the function of the New York

district attorney ended with the mur-der trial and that the New York dis-

red to New York and our witnesses made subject to subpoena by the dis-trict attorney's office. There has been intimidation of witnesses before in

that direction and we want none of it in these proceedings,"

Justice Morschauser denied the mo-tion to transfer the hearing but of-

fered to sit in New York to near the people's testimony if both sides were

receive any visitors he wishes to see. MR. CRAIG AT LENOIR.

The Young Man From the West Speaks to a Crowd That Overflows the Court House and Makes Votes —College Girls Hear and Appland

appliance.

This is a Craig county and it confidently predicted that he will cover the bulk of this county's voin the primaries next Saturday.

Special to The Observer

He thought it

ings be sent to New York county.

in Duchess county.

tried here.

to-day's proceedings was an nouncement that Evelyn Nesbit T

One of the interesting features of

the Conclusion That the Negro Soldiers Did Not Shoot Up Brownsville and He Takes Up the Senate's Time in Delivering His Verdict—His Statement That the Shooting Occurred on a Dark Night Brings Ont Statement From Senator Borah That the Theory of Darkness Had Never Been Suggested Except by Those Who Wanted to Make It a Dark Night.

SENATE SUMMARY. Senator Bulkeley, of Connecticut, member of the committee on militi affairs, spoke at length in the Sen affairs, spoke at length in the Benate yesterday on the Brownaville affray. Mr. Bulkeley deciared his belief in the innocence of the negro soldiers of the Twenty-fifth Regiment and said the rioters in the town on the night of August 13th-14th, 1806, in his judgment were lawless Mexicans from outside the town, assisted by the lawless class within Brownaville. Mr. Bulkeley spoke over four hours, his remarks including a review of all the testimony that has been taken in the case.

the Fenate to-day passed the House resolution appropriating 230,000, to re-lieve the recent cyclone sufferers in Alabama, Georgia, Mississippi and Louisiana.

At 4:47 p. m. the Senate adjourned.

Washington, May 4 .- Senator Bulk eley, of Connecticut, in the Senate today defended the negro soldiers of although she has brought suit for the Twenty-fifth Regiment from annulment of her marriage will apday defended the negro soldiers of charges of "shooting up" Brownsville, Tex., August 13th-14th, 1906.

After hearing all the testimony, Mr. Bulkeley said he had concluded

hat none of the negro
implicated in the raid.

Mr. Bulkeley declared that in his
judgment the shooting up of Brownsville was the work of Mexicans of the
lawiess class, who came into the city
from the outside and were joined by
from the outside ficient to impeach the testimony of to the conference, at the conclusion witnesses who told of seeing negro of which Mr. Graham, of Thaw's

Senator Borah interrupted to say that the night in question was an or-dinary star light night and that the theory of darkness had never been suggested except by the men who wanted it to be a dark night.
"For many months," said Mr. Bulksugger

eley, "applications for re-enlistment in the army, or for restoration have been in the hands of the President or "applications for re-enlistment with the War Department, with the only proof the soldiers could furnian of their innocence—their own affidavits and certificates of good character and faithful service from their officers.

—but not one has been acted upon. The President has repeatedly called unon these soldiers to prove their insponence to his attisfaction—to a mind already connected in convection of and doubted guilt—as a condition of reatoration and so expressed over and the contended that the proceedings are to the indicated district where the habeas streams of the contended that the proceedings are to the find that the frial would involve sending commissions to Paris, Monte Carlo and other places in the district where the habeas streams of the contended that the frial would involve sending commissions to Paris, Monte Carlo and other places in the district where the places in the contended that the frial would involve sending commissions to Paris, Monte Carlo and other places in the district where the places in the case should be concluded under the places in the case should be concluded under the places in the case should be concluded under the places in the case should be concluded under the proceedings are considered to the case should be concluded under the proceedings are considered to the case should be concluded under the proceedings are considered to the case should be concluded under the proceedings are considered to the case should be concluded under the proceedings are considered to the case of the over again. This requirement impos-ed the additional burden of removing this almost insurmountable bias."
Mr. Fulton, of Oregon, said that while he was convinced the shoeting up of Brownsville was done by the negro soldiers he favored. Senator

negro soldiers he favored Senator Foraker's bill requiring the enlistment of the men on their statements of innocence.

Mr. Foraker said that his bill had an important feature in its provision, that should at any time evidence of the guilt of the men be discovered they would be tried either by the civil or military authorities and by having red to New York district attorney could appear only by courtesy of the court and the Duchess county district attorney. "To spend \$20,600 would be a waste of the public money. It can be entirely regulated by the district attorney of Duchess county as he must audit the bills. We strendously object to having the case transferred to New York and our witnesses. or military authorities and by having them back in the army they could be

reported at any time.

BACK TO FORT GRANT.

at DENIED MOTION TO TRANSFER. Col. William F. Stewart Arrives at St. Francis Barracks Only to Be Or-dered to Tall Timbers.

St. Augustine, Fla., May 4.—Col. William F. Stewart, the only officer of the United States army who is of the United States army who is destined to command an abandoned post until the date of his retirement, arrived here yesterday, from Fort Grant, Arizons, upon orders to take up his headquarters at the abandoned arrived here yesterday from Fort Grant. Arizons, upon orders to take up his headquarters at the abandoned St. Francis barracks in St. Augustine.

Upon his arrival Sergeant Brown, in the charge of the government property here, turned authority over to the colonel, but the officer's command in St. Augustine was of short duration, for last night Colonel Stewart received orders from Washington ordering him back to Fort Grant again. In accordance with official orders Colonel Stewart again packed his effects and left here this evening bound for his isolated post at Fort Grant, Arizona. she carried in her arms, the negro dealt her a blow on the head with a rock, rendering her unconscious, The noise in the house attracted children in the yard and an alarm was given. The negro escaped. When the train passed Elliston it is said a mob, armed with ropes, was at the depot and that threats of lynching were being made by the indignant citizens. The negro is being hunted in lail directions to-night.

Grant, Arizona, apon orders at the abandoned up his headquarters at the abandoned Upon his headquarters at the abandoned to his headquarters at the abandoned up his headquarters at the abandoned to his headquarters at the abandoned up his headquarters at the abandoned to his headquarters at the abandoned up his headquarters at the abandoned to his headquarters at the abandoned to his headquarters at the abandoned up his headquarters at the abandoned to his headquarters at the aband left here this evening bound for his isolated post at Fort Grant, Arizona, which is 26 miles from the nearest railroad, where he will remain indefi-

The colonel states that he has a fine pair of mules at Fort Grant at

MOUNT AIRY MAN HURT.

In Junping From Freight Train at Rossoke, Va., He Receives In-juries Which May Prove Fatal. dal to The Observer.

Roanoke, Va., May 4.—Roy Parish, a young white man hailing from Mount Airy, N. C., was seriously and perhaps fatally hurt while jumping from a freight train in the outskirts of Roanoke to-day. Parish and his fellow traveler, Frank Davis, also of Mount Airy, were beating a ride and both jumped from the car, fearing they might be arrested for trespass. Parish fell on a cattle guard and received injuries about the head that will likely cause his death. He is in a hospital and his mother has been telegraphed for.

Norfolk, Va., May 4.—T. F. Whit-ney has resigned as general man-er of the Seaboard Air Line Railer of the Scaooard Al. W. A. Garty, effective May 15th, W. A. Gartt, former president and now chief
ecutive of the Scaboard, will in adlen to his present duties assume
one of general manager. L. Sevier
Il continue as traffic manager of the

SUNDRY CIVIL BILL DEBATED

dry Objects Come Up For Discus-sion and a Few Amendments In-creasing Expenditures Are Included and a Few Are Voted Down—Mr. Tawney Makes a Vigorous Speech Against Increasing Any of the Appropriations Carried by the Measure, But in the Face of It the Expenditure For the Investigation of the Nation's Fuel Resources is Enlarged and Then the Bill is Laid Aside.

Poughkeepsie, N. Y., May 4,-Temorarily at least, Harry R. Thaw is HOUSE SUMMARY. out of the Matteawan Hospital for the The House yesterday completely overrode the committee on appropriaoverrode the committee on appropria-tions in connection with several items in the sundry civil appropriation bill. When the measure was laid saide for the day, \$35,000 had been added to the sum recommended by the commit-tee, which included \$100,000 for gauging the streams and determining the wa-ter supply of the United States; an increase of \$60,000 in the appropriation for leating structural materials and Criminal Insane. As a result of today's proceedings on the writ of habeas corpus sued out in an effort to have him legally declared sane he will remain in the Dutchess county jail until the final decision on the writ is until the final decision on the writ is handed down. The formal hearing in the case will come before the Supreme Court here next Monday.

The adjournment was taken upon request of a representative of the district attorney of New York county to give District Attorney Jerome for testing structural materials and sion, one for testing structural materials and sion, one fuel substances. These changes were not accomplished, however, without a prolonged debate in which the committee found itself practically alone. Thaw appeared to be in excellent

At 5:30 p. m. the House recessed until 11:30 s. m. to-morrow.

health to-day, having gained fully 20 pounds in weight since his trans-fer to the asylum from the Tombs. Washington, May 4.—Consideration of the sundry civil appropriation bill was resumed in the House to-day. At the outset of the debate, the House reverted to the provision covering the pear, if necessary, as a witness in her husband's behalf. appropriations for the geological survey. Mr. Needham, of California, of-That he himself undoubtedly will go fered an amendment appropriating on the stand in his own behalf, A Russell Peabody, one of Thaw's coun-sel, to-day declared that the prisoner \$200,000 "for gauging the streams and determining the water supply of the United States." The chair sustained a point of order against the amend-

Mr. Needham was more fortunate with a subsequent amendment appropriating \$200,006 "for the further examination of the mineral resources and products of the national domain."

and products of the national domain."

Mr. Tawney argued that if the appropriation was intended for the gauging of streams and not for the investigation of the mineral resources, it should not be made because, he said, on the face of it, it expresses a lieu. There was, he believed, no member who would dare say that any executive officer would be justified in expending a dollar of the amount in the gauging of streams as heretofore "upon the subterfuge that water, being a mineral, is therefore one of the mineral resources."

SHERLEY SUGGESTS \$100,000.

SHERLEY SUGGESTS \$100,000. Maintaining that the sum of \$200. one was entirely disproportionate to the purposes for which it was intend-ed, Mr. Sherley, of Kentucky, offer-

ed, Mr. Sherley, of Kentucky, offered an amendment fixing the amount at \$100,000.

Mr. Smith, of Iowa, offered an amendment in the nature of a substitute which was adopted, in the language of the law of last year appropriation, \$100,000 for sauging the streams and determining the water. supply of the United States. squarely as to its intentions so ot to encourage department heads to lace their own construction on apappropriations.

appropriations.

An animated debate rose over an amendment by Mr. Norris, of Nebras-ka, increasing from \$50,000 to \$100,000 the appropriation for continuing the investigation of structural materials belonging to and for the use of the United States. The amendment was adopted 27 to \$7.

OPPOSES TEST ABOLISHMENT. Mr. Tayney opposed a motion by Mr. Norris to strike out of the bill the provise which would have the ef-fect of abolishing the advance board of engineers to assist in the making of the tests. He said that if the motion would be adopted Congress might as well abdicate in favor of the vevtive functions with respect to the limitation of the expenditure of public

noneys.

An assertion by Mr. Tawney to
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the Carnegie Technical School
the Carnegie Technical in violation the Carnegie Technical School Pittsburg had received, in violation law, money contributions for conduct-ing tests, brought a denial from Mr. Dalzell, Pennsylvanis., The Norris motion carried 64 to

An amendment by Mr. Dalzell, Pennsylvania, was offered increasing from \$150,000 to \$250,000 the appropriation for continuing the analysing and testing of coals, lignites and other fuel substances, Mr. Dalzell argued that the increased appropriation would go far toward minimizing mine disasters.

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In opposing the amendment Mr. Campbell, of Kansas, charged that most of the money here: fore appropriated for this purpose had been expended largely in exploiting mines in the old coal fields and coke bearing coal fields of Pennsylvania. West Virginia, Ohio, Indiana and Kentucky. Mr. Bonynge, of Colorado, insisted, however, that the Rocky Mountain coal fields had not been neglected.

TAWNEY'S VIGOROUS SPEECH.

The debate on the amendment was brought to a close by a vigorous speech by Mr. Tawney against it. In the course of his remarks he said:

"Confronted as we are with a deficit of \$20,000,000 or \$55,000,000 at the end of the fiscal year; with the almost certain deficit of not less than \$150,000,000 at the end of the next fiscal year, and the actual absorption of our entire surplus during that time, and the almost certain issuing of certificates of indebtedness in these governmental expenditures. I do not think we are justified in going into the business of investigating the coals and lignites owned by private individuals of the country."

The amendment was adopted \$1 to 75. TAWNEY'S VIGOROUS SPEECH. Special to The Observer.

Lenoir, May 4.—A crowd that filled every seat in the large court house of Caldwell county and overflowed into the Aisless heard Mr. Locke Craig. the Democratic candidate for Governor here to-day. As a matter of fact not only were the seats filled, but the crowd overflowed into the aisles. Never did a speaker address a more enthusiastic audience. It is not court week and that makes the size of the audience all the more remarkable. Every section of the county was represented by voters and to grace the occasion there were fifty young ladies from Davenport College and at least twenty-five Lenoir ladies.

Strong efforts were made to reach a compromise on the financial ques-tion, and the proposition advocated some time ago by Floor Leader Payne some time ago by Floor Leader Payne was taken up as the basis for an agreement. This proposition allows any national banking association, which has circulating soles outstanding secured by deposit of United States bonds to an amount equal to its capital stock actually paid in, to take out additional circulation upon deposit of the United States bonds or certificates of indebtedness authorised during the Spanish-American war. The proposition was acceptable to some of the House leaders and also to members of the banking and currency committee. It was at first thought by offering this proposition as an amendment to the Fowler currency commission bill the conference which has been called for to-morrow night could be obvi-

for to-morrow night could be obvi-ated. Speaker Cannon, together with the request of the committee for a week's debate, he informed Chairman debate, he informed Chairman Fowler that he had no authority either to call off the conference of to grant the time for debate asked for. He stated that more than a sufficient number of Republicans had signed the call for the conference, and that it was for the conference, and that it was for the conference cided to adjourn at noon of next Friendle description. to determine what measures should be decided upon. He gave it as his opision that the members would not care to stay here an additional week listeping to the financial discussion. The members of the banking committee subsequently held numerous mittee subsequently held numerous conferences and it was decided that the Payne proposition as an addenda to the currency commission bill should be offered at the con-

FAYETTEVILLE VOTES BONDS.

Proposition For Extension of Street Paving Carries by Small Margin— No Opposition to Municipal Ticket. pecial to The Observer.

Fayetteville, May 4 .- In the municipal election to-day the proposition for a bond issue of \$100,000 to inaugurate a system of street paving was carried by a margin of 57 over the requisite majority of the registered votes. The vote in favor of the bond issue was 401, while 113 votes were cast against it, and the total registration was 687. The legislative act providing for the election required a majority of the registered vote to cast for the proposition to render effective. The matter has elicited the liveliest interest, and the majority of the people are greatly elated at the

Huffman; for school trustee, W. Bruns, J. F. Abernethy, H. E. Mc-Comb. Ex-Sheriff Blackwelder has long worked in public harness and it good officer.

Mayor N. W. Clark, of Hildebran,
was re-elected by a large majority to
succeed himself.

The Result at Lumberton,

Special to The Observer, Lumberton, May 4 .- The for town officers was held here to-day, resulting in the election of Mr. John A. Rowland for mayor; Mesars. John A. Rowland for mayor; Messrs.
John McMillan, L. H. Caldwell and
G. G. French, commissioners, and
Messrs. J. P. Stansel, T. A. McNeill
and Frank Gough as members of the
board of andit and finance. Messrs.
R. D. Caldwell, W. H. Humphrey,
Stephen McIntyre and N. A. McLean
wars appointed as members of the were appointed as members of the board of graded school trustees. The Vote in Richmond County.

Special to The Observer. Special to The Observer.

Rockingham, May 4.—From a full report from the primaries held in all the precincts in Richmond county Saturday it has been ascertained to-day that of the six votes in the State convention Craig will receive 2.89; Horne 1.93, and Kitchin 1.15. In one of the precinct meetings Kitchin supporters declared the meeting adjourned before the full quota of voters arrived, but it is said this matter will be adjusted at the county convention.

NIGHT RIDERS IN THIS STATE.

ers last night destroyed the tobacco plant beds of F. O. Fighel, a promi-nent farmer of Friedberg in Davidson county. This is the first time that night riders have operated in this sec

Telegrams From Newspaper lishers All Over the Countr stantiating the Charges B Against the International Company—Mr. Norris Show Price of Paper Would Be B If Canadian Tariff Was Rem Publishers All Willing to Washington to Offer Their mony—Committee to Inspec Friday.

Washington, May 4 .-- An inch stack of telegrams from 178 newspaper publishers through country, telling of the increased cost of print paper, was submitted to-day to the special committee of the House investigating that subject by John Norris, of New York, who occupied the witness stand the entire day. Amplifying these telegraphed statements Mr. Norris presen mass of facts and figures substantiative of the charges brought against the International Paper Company by

cided to adjourn at noon of next Friday and go to Palmers Falls. Saratoga county, New York, to inspect the mills of the Hudson River Paper Company and take testimony there relative to the cost of paper production.

ALL WILLING WITNESSES Forty-six newspaper publishers, Mr.

Forty-six newspaper publishers, Mr. Norris informed the committee, have telegraphed that they are willing to come to Washington and give testimony. Chairman Mann requested that they be informed of the likelihood of a noon adjournment on Friday, in order that as many of them as possible may appear and testify between now and then. The committee adjourned until to-morrow.

The reiteration by Mr. Norris of increases in cost of paper by contract prices provoked Chairman Mann to ask Mr. Norris if he had any theory of what caused the wide ranges of prices paid by Illinois newspapers of prices paid by Illinois newspaper—from \$4.40 to \$10 increase per ton. Mr. Norris replied that com-missions, purchase at mills, quality of paper, quantity of contracts and place of delivery undoubtedly com-bined to make the explanation. "Do you know," asked Mr. Ban-non. "whether the prices at the mills on a given grade of paper are uni-form?"

WHAT WILL BE SHOWN. "We are here," answered Mr. Norris, "attempting to show that a con bination has been entered into by the paper manufacturers to uniformly the people are greatly elated at the outcome and at the prospect of a comprehensive system of street paving.

Vom C. Bullard, Esq., and the Democratic nominees for aldermen chosen at the recent primaries were elected without opposition. receiving 524 votes each.

A Warm Coutest at Hickory.

Special to The Observer.

Flickory, May 4—After a heated centest to-day the result of the election gives: For mayor, J. W. Blackwelder 57 majority over A. A. Shuford, Jr.; for aldermen, J. A. Lents, H. F. Elliott, J. W. Shuford, J. P. Huffman; for school trustee, W. F. Huffman; for s

these contracts were generally signed by newspapers at the top price then prevailing. Mr. Norris agreed that such was the case. Mr. Norris said that the figures from The Philadelphia Inquirer pre-sent prices \$50, an increase of \$12— meant an additional cost to that pub-lication of \$155,000 a year.

WHAT TARIFF WOULD SAVE. Mr. Norris submitted the following telegram to Mr. Herman Ridder from Mr. Thomas W. Loyless, editor and manager of The Augusta (Ga.) Chronicle: "Gonzales, of Columbia State, can tell you of Canada mill which off him paper at \$2.65 delivered and

him paper at \$2.65 delivered and in reduce price \$3 per ton if tariff is taken off, splitting difference with him on tariff sa ng."

Chairman Mann suggested that patently the purpose of the sendor of the tariff telegram was to show them if the tariff should be removed the cost of paper to publications would be reduced \$8 a ton.

"If the manufacturers believed that," answered Mr. Norris, "they would go home feeling very happy. Though this is all purely anticipatory, my own judgment is that the removal of the tariff would lower the cost \$6 and possibly \$12 a ton."

THE DICTATION OF PRICES.

THE DICTATION OF PRICES. Mr. Norris read a file of correspondence between newspaper managers and paper manufacturers and brokers to support the charge that custom was apportioned by manufacturers among themselves, and that prices as high as \$53 a ton were distant in connection with such allot-Special to The Observer.

Maxton, May 4.—J. C. Parish was to-day elected mayor of the town by a large majority. The four commissioners on his ticket, A. B. Croom.

T. O. Evans, W. H. Harding and Mc-Key McKinnon, which constituted the waterworks ticket, won out also over the antis. The vote police was the largest in the town's history.

NIGHT RIDERS, I. The vote police was the United to the U

Mr. Norris declared that in 136; the International Paper Company forceseing a print paper famine of the United States, made contract with Canadian mills for \$17,000 tons of paper for export trade, with the purpose of crippling the power of those mills to supply the prospective deficiency in the United States and thereby to maintain the programm for.