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reader it a problem sufficiently serious. The necessity of effective acgenerally recognized, but how can such action be taken? Police and

must thank an early infusion of Greek as an affliction. blood and Greek civilization for all his small achievements Since an- A welkin-ringer from the Rufus paper clent days southern Italy and Sicily correspondent of The Lenoir Topic: have been repeatedly overrun by shore of Africa, to the distinct injury of the rarial stock. The typical Sicilian shows a strong Baraconic Daign shear-post could have shown etrain. Southern Italians were looked such fine near-frenzy as this? upon as weak by ancient Rome, who first found her worthy fees and then her powerful allies at the north. To the north belong the glories of Venice, the clephants and in our mind's ear Florence and Genoa. Northern Italy we can hear the calliope. represents a most interesting mixture invasions following the downfall of they swap words for once just to see the Roman empire and later; and, if it will bring any better luck. along with that remarkable Italian themselves have saved Italian great- ing been partially restored, Augusta's ness from extreme degeneracy. This sufferings are now a thing of the past. is the Italy which, through Columbus, forugurated the modern era by discovering America and which, in Napoleon, showed the nineteenth cen- annual congress of the Playground tury its ability to produce a second Association of America was opened Caesar. Its poets, painters, sculphere in the American Muesum of Natural History to-day. The deleproudest heritages of the human race.

\$3.00 kindred evils attending the presence

of Italian populations when they bring a realizing sense of these distinctions between Italians in the mass to the problem's solution. And 3 if it were feasible for our immigra-

WHAT OF TARIFF REVISION?

What of the prospect of tariff revision? There is some interesting become somewhat notable for become somewhat notable for great variety of temper. Lions speculation on the subject. Judge great variety of temper. has not, that we recall, promised an and he couldn't vote. extra session if he is elected. If that PROFESSOR GRAHAM ENDANcontrol both Senate and House, they took a fall out With Mr. Taft as President, THE BLACK HAND AND THE TWO of a so-called tariff revision measure

So far the Black Hand bands in worth the paper on which it is writforward with any confidence to a father murderous banditti. Native lawless- cept Democratic revision, would be There is no reason to despair, however, of ultimate results. Let the work of education proceed,

cently did after touring Italy, uses bodies. Next in order comes Ger- right under the sun to re-instate the ian people into unlike parts. There 2,977 bodies incinerated, while in the action upon it," said Mr. Graham. Hand are recruited almost entirely ations; Denmark, 77 incinerations; from the southern provinces and Sweden, 70, and Canada, 33. In Sleily. They speak a dialect quite France last year there were 451 in-American cities rely in dealing with the fact that cremation scarcely them. For the reason that they have seems to become more popular." And trouble and he refused. tectives find the task of learning it than committing the body to the the city." hopelessly difficult. The Everybody's earth, to become food for worms; "TIRED OF BEINB MISQUOTED"writer Insists that they will continue but it is not likely to become ever to prey upon society until police des the accepted method of disposing of partment operatives, men peculiarly the dead. Its growth has been too ed Mr. Davis, with eyes affame and fitted for delicate and dangerous work slow to encourage a hope otherwise.

among them, absorb their thieves. It really does seem that when a ment for misdeeds in the South school. patter and master their methods. Atbe driven out or turned over to the sap can be closed at very slight cost emphasized by rhythmic rappings on If the police authorities of our large clear. The Charlotte public school Graham. cities have proceeded meen the as- board decided as much last night, from Rome southward there dwell efficiency. These remarks, the reader you say a falschood," was the other peoples different in blood, in customs, will take notice, are submitted some. man's answer. in intelligence, in material prosparity, what timidly and with an anxious eye Mr. Graham, looking up from a man-in regard for law, and even in lan-cast in the direction of the Statesville useript, and in about the same tone

local diversities all over the meninsula South Carolina Democrats chose a to his right put his foot on Mr. Davis foot, and the sun came out. difficult. The southern finding has late them upon the prospect of rest had gone far enough, and Capt. T. T. poorer Latin stock originally, and five achieve one-party conditions, by rening in a climate favorable rather to dering State primaries apparently term. deterioration than development, he becausery have given South Carolina

"Hurah for Bryan and Kern!

For we learn That it is expected Next Securior they'll be elected. Who but a North Carolina cam-

After all, Charlotte is to have a circus this fall, and a big one. Good! In our mind's eye we can already see

of peoples characterized by great The munufacturers always resolve Vitality-Latin, Gaul, Etruscan and to "curtail" The farmers always re-Teuton. The last came in successive solve to "reduce." We move that

people of unknown origin, the Etrus- Bridge communication with the discans (Florentines), they would of pensary at North Augusta, S. C., hav-

Playground Association in Annual

Meeting. New York, Sept. 8.—The second The northern Italy of lo-day is not great, but it is sound and worthy of respect, and it still has the seed of greatness. If we of the South and the United States could induce the United States could induce the seed of simultaneously.

and organizations for the furtherance of so-called playground sentiment, but also State and municipal governments in various parts of the country and sociological and educational bodies. The rongress was divided into a number of special conferences held simultaneously.

The Board of School Commissioners
Engage in Monthly Row, Mr. Davis
Figuring in the Scrimmage Prominently This Time—Disagrees With
Mr. Graham and Says He Has Been
Misquoted by Him Until He is Sick
and Tired of It—Got Mighty Mad
—Professor Raird Fiercely Opposes
the Establishment of an Eleventh
Grade, But This Was Done—Professor Giles Will Be Teacher—Supernumeraries Named.

pernumeraries Named.

The summit of all the bitterness and strife which has been occasioncropping out in the sessions of the board of school commissioners mass to the problem's solution. And if it were feasible for our immigration officials, within proper limits, to draw such distinctions at the ports of entry, the whole country would have cause for self-congratulation.

The board of school commissioners was 1 bably attained at the meeting last night, when several propositions, some weighty and some as trivial as could be easily imagined, presented themselves for consideration and settlement. If a good bit of the speech could have been liquided it would have been liquided it would have been liquided. fied, it would have borne the pharma-ceutical inscription; "Carbolic acid." or some other corrosive compound The constituency of this board has Taft has said that if he is elected he seldom lie down together. Classwill immediately convene Congress in lifed as the most important step takextra session for this purpose. There en at the session, the proposition to is more than an even chance that if establish an eleventh grade and put they secure this result the Republi-out dissent, but not until Prof. J. G. cans will yet lose the House. If so, Baird had delivered an interesting could a Democratic House and a speech in opposition to the scheme. Republican Senate get together on a put down on record as against the tariff bill? Hardly. And Mr. Bryan measure is because he was in the chair

GERED. Friends usually, Mr. B. S. Davis ook a fall out of Superintendent would not be likely to send him a Graham and for a time it looked turing revision bill which he would squally for the latter. It all came about because Mr. Graham disobeyed an order which was served on Frinand a Congress of his political faith cipal Randolph by Mr. Davis, as chairin both branches, of course some sort man of the committee on corrections. It developed in the statements of the two men, in the main corroborative of each other, that Lester Fasnacht was indefinitely suspended last year by the superintendent. This action was upheld by Mr. Davis when the of the lad appealed to him as bill revising the tariff "by its friends" | chairman of the correction commit-The father then appealed to

the entire committee and both Mr. kept strictly within lines of nationali- moves mountains. The complexion of Davis and Mr. Graham were upheld by the committee. To the hig tribunal of all, to the board, To the highest Fasnacht said he would appeal, but Last Saturday the boy never did. came to school and was sent home, Mr. Graham stating that he waiting until the board gave him instructions in the matter.

MR. DAVIS GAVE "ORDER." The father of the boy again appealed to Mr. Davis, and he, thinking that indefinite suspension could not possibly mean longer than one term, wrote an "order" to Mr. Randolph, principal of the South school, rein-Professor Graham got the "order" as superintendent and refused to pay any attention to fully explaining to the board that to be considered by the board and as there was no precedent to go by. sent the boy back home again "I considered that Mr. Davis had no

WHO IS THE CHAIRMAN? "Well, what I want to know is whether Mr. Graham is principal of tage of the former. Bands of crim- 721 incincrations; Great Britain, propriate notes addressed to Mr. Randolph, and is he also chairman of the committee on correction?" said want to act as chairman."

unknown to the north Italian detec- cinerations at the four crematories would have been settled," replied Mr. as teacher of this new grade. tives upon whom the police of large The society comments gloomily on Graham. "I tried to get Mr. Davis year after this blended with this dialect a peculiar it is singular. It is not irreligious did not want the Dilworth school criminal jargon all their own, the de-

DAVIS.

"I never said that," quickly retortface reflecting the raging of great anger. "I said that I did not want the Dilworth school made the punishthe table after the speaker had walked

'I was quoting you as correctly sumption that all Italians are one voting to establish an eleventh grade as I could," replied Mr. Graham, without much show of responding

Well, if you say that I said that,

"Aw now, Mr. Davis," muttered guage. Of course the reference here is simply to populations in the mass and with much allowance for those. In yesterday's run-off primary him by the arm, the member sitting BOY IS RE-INSTATED.

It began to book as if the thing moved that in order to settle the matter that a rule be made that This received a second.

Mr. Graham made the point that the nature of an amendment, then the by-laws demanded that suca a table for 20 days before it was voted

Professor Baird, who was in the chair, overruled the point. Mr. that all the by-laws are being rejuvenated just now and it would not out of order to just have this ruling incorporated. This was final-Mr. Baird had preeffective viously called attention to the need of some precedent by which the school authorities are to ge and

this is considered one. THE ELEVENTH GRADE. Captain Smith precipitated the

mitted a few remarks citing the need 'Neath the night-star's glow,for such an addition in order to keep Listless falls the wayward gleam up with graded schools in other cities Of the evening's transient beams of of the State. He was re-enforced by On the patient flow. Mr. Blair who said that he had visited a number of schools in large cities and had found that it was an inestimable Round the guardian hills, advantage. He said that he had investigated and discovered that there would be about 14 pupils in the grade As the Master wills. this year and in view of the fact that a great number of parents were just waiting to see what action the board would take on this proposition before sending their children off to a boarding school, he advised that action be taken immediately. Mr. Davis was of the same opinion and said that the eleventh grade was necessary
local schools, if Charlotte kept less content to be my
local schools, if Charlotte kept Master bids me never
abreast with the other principal cities
And I follow Him." eleventh grade was necessary to the

After calling Capt. T. T. Smith to Caim, reposeful, free, the chair, Prof. J. G. Baird submitted some remarks on the subject, first Set apart for me.

northern Italian tumigration, we would as Senator Tiliman remarked, be fortunate; the trouble is that the northern Italian usually remains contented and fairly prosperous at home, while southern Italy and Sielly pour their seum upon this country and South America in floods.

The police of our large cities will make an important step toward rooting out the Elack Hand and kindred evils attending the presence of the presence of the public school, in part he said as follows:

The make an important step toward rooting out the Elack Hand and kindred evils attending the presence of the public school, is to advance the best interests of the masses, to place the vast multitude that forms and solvents.

The police of our large cities will make an important step toward continued to the content of the public school, is to advance the best interests of the masses, to place the vast multitude that forms the following reply:

The police of our large cities will be toward rooting out the presence of opinion as to the quality and to the time to be devoted. The duty of the State must have some limitation. The great masses are leventh grade; it is not needed and it will prove exceedingly expensive. The object of the public school, is to advance the best interests of the masses, to place the vast multitude that reply:

The board of School Commissioners Engage in Monthly Row, Mr. Davis Piguring in the Scrimmage Proming can never attain college in position where they can make their meat and bread. All this concentration of effort on the part of the public schools to make everything point to entrance to college and university, it seems to me, is wrong and a palpable injustice to the 80 or 90 per cent, who cannot, from force of circumstances, enter

> "Mr. Balrd, I am obliged to go in a few minutes and I wish you would put the question," said Mr. Blair.

> Well, go on: I am going to talk, This is an important matter and you may all vote in favor of it, but you will not vote until I have said what I have in mind about it," was the re-

Mr. Graham called attention to the by-law which stipulated that a mem-ber could not talk on a motion over a certain time, but Mr. Baird went on. "You are chairman of the meeting, Mr. Baird and I want you to put the question to the house," later said Mr.

Blair, again, but Mr. Baird went on.

Ten grades have been in operation for years," said he, "and the records show less than 10 per cent. of the tage of the two higher grades. It is be made. falling off from pil. The cost in the eleventh, fore, be somewhat higher. Again, who is to be benefited by this grade? Is it not the children of parents abundantly able to pay for the edu-cation of their children? The condition of our people is such that only the favored few can afford to give their children eleven years in school. "Is it not then a plain duty that this city owes it to the masses to do something looking to their interest. Why not instead of this eleventh grade place a business course, to be taken up by the seventh or eighth

pupils? Here a knowledge of commercial law, elementary book-keeping, business forms, typewriting and such like can be pursued. Such a course will be taken by the multi-tude when your logariths, French and German will be enjoyed by a score of children from favored homes. Adopt this course and you see a new interest become practical, because it will help to secure jobs, because it will enable the boy and girl to earn-meat and bread.

"There can be no doubt that the work as outlined for this new grade can be accomplished in the ten grades now provided, if the present course of study were intensified. An sequal amount of work is being done in other schools in less time.

"My appeal, gentlemen, is for a work that will help the greatest num-ber. This is reasonable. This is just; and I wish to be nothing more." MR. GILES WILL BE TEACHER.

Mr. Baird, when he had finished speaking, moved a substitute to the motion, that a business original course be instituted in the schools instead of an eleventh grade, but this had no second. The other motion carried without a dissenting voice.

Mr. Blair moved that the board "If they had listened to me, this of the University of North Carolina, "He must stand the examination," shouted several members.

> It was agreed that the teachers' committee should be given power to elect Mr. Glies, provided he stood a but two or three of the mills have satisfactory examination. "Be sure to examine him on French ployes are now idle.

and German. was the injunction of Professor Baird. BIBLES MUST BE READ BY PUPILS.

Mr. Dooley submitted a communication from the Junior Order of United American Mechanics, asking that the Bible be read every day, it having ome to some member of the order that this was being neglected. Mr. Graham was called upon and stated The clothing factories have curtailed that the Bible was now read by the teachers every morning instead of by shops doing special work, as a rule, the pupils as had been the custom have been busy and some of them at one time, and until objection was raised by some Roman Catholic pa-

Mr. Dooley moved that the old way of having the pupils read the Bible sign and, as soon as cold weather sets every morning be adopted again and in and the election is over, better his carried unanimously. A communication was read from Miss Mary O. Graham, who recently esigned in order that she might further prepare herself for primary work, in which she stated that her resignation was more of a request for a leave of absence for a year. The oard agreed that it had no power to elect her now on the faculty of next year, but thought there would be no rouble in securing her old position.

SUPERNUMERARIES NAMED. The following-named young ladies having stood and passed the recent examination were put in line for positions that may open during the year. and these will be given the if the offering of Captain Smith was dies in the order named, this being determined by the character of the record they made: Misses Mary Belle Miller, Connie Fore, Bleeker Reid, Lila Beatty, Clara Anthony, Blandina

Springs and Esther Shannonhouse. Mr. Blair said that something must he done to relieve the congested condition of the colored schools and the committee on buildings was empowered to proceed with its work of se lecting buildings in the third and fourth wards for new schools. a

There were present at the meeting lessrs. T. T. Smith, Baird, Blair, izziah. Littlefield, Davis. Belk, Messrs, T. T. Hirshinger, Wallace and Herndon.

LUMBER RIVER.

eleventh grade proposition and sub. Meekly moves this seaward stream

Creek-inspired, and valley-fed,

Never halting, never stayed, Glides this stream along By the willow's mellow shade Down the path the Master made; Rolling stream of song,

Ford my depths, or swim, Else content to be my guest;-

Like this patient stream, I pray,

Salisbury, N. C., Sept. 7, 1908. Mr. Henry Reynolds, Chairman, Etc. Wilkesboro, N. C.:

Dear Sir: Yours of the 5th inst. was received late Saturday night, too late to wire you or communicate with Mr. Hackett in time for your proposed meeting in Greensboro to-day.

Mr. Cowles may be anxious to meet
Mr. Hackett in joint debate, but he
seems to have a poor way of showing
it. As he has, personally, and through
you, declined to meet Mr. Hackett
in joint canvass of the district, I can
really see no vice of a meeting to arreally see no use of a meeting to arrange for "one or more," or "a few" (to use your own language) joint dis-

This is my personal view, but Mr Hackett is so determined and insis-tent that Mr. Cowles shall have no excuse for not meeting him that he authorizes me to say that if you will kindly indicate how many joint dis-cussions Mr. Cowles will agree to I will meet you and arrange for the dates and places, in a fair and equitable way, at as early a date as possible, so that due advertisement may

In any event, since you and M the tenth to the Cowles have seen fit to criticise Mr. eleventh. The tenth grade now costs | Hackett for not inviting Mr. Cowles the city between \$50 and \$60 per pu- to divide time at Wilkesbore, when pil. The cost in the eleventh, if a it was Mr. Hackett's appointment was Mr. Hackett's appointment competent man is secured, will there-fore, be somewhat higher. Again, joint debate, Mr. Cowles should have asked for a division of time, which would have been immediately granted him, I now cordially and insistently invite Mr. Cowles to meet Mr. Hackett at any or all of the latter's

appointments, and he can have "one or more," or "a few," or as many joint discussions as he may desire. He shall be fully accommodated in this Very truly yours,

THEO. F. KLUTTZ, Chairman. The board of county commission ers, upon peititon, have ordered an election to be held at Hart's school house, in Unity township, Saturday, October 17th, for the purpose of voting upon the question of a special

school tax for the township. The board has also made an appropriation of \$1,000 to be used building and repairing the streets and walks around the court house and adjoining county property.

THE LABOR POINT OF VIEW.

Conditions, While Bad, Are Slowly Improving-Skilled Trades Hardest Trip by Recent Panie.

A well-posted citizen who is very closely associated with the laboring classes of Charlotte, was asked yes terday for a statement as to what per cent, and where the laboring people of the city were out of work. "The greatesmt sufferers by reason of the recent panic have been those engaged in the skilled trades and particularly the moulders, who, of all the rest, have lost the most time. The machine shops have been doing better during the last three weeks and are now working the most elect Prof. John R. Giles, a graduate of their machines nine hours a day So far, the cotton mill people have had to bear the heaviest burden. They have been caught short ever since the first of the year and cond tions to-day are as bad as they ever During the past week have been. At least 1,800 em turned a spindle

"The lumber yards and lumber mills have enjoyed a fair trade, all things considered, and the shops are now making good time with most of the men employed. Carpenters and masons have had as much wor been active. All the masons and carpenters have been engaged, although a few workmen from out of towns have been here soliciting jobs. abopt 15 per cent. in labor. The engaged in repair work have had more than they could do. Recently there has appeared a spirit in the business which is considered a good

times will follow." OFFICER GETS REVENCE.

egro Who Left Constable to Flounder About in His Bedarkened Home is Pinched After Lapse of Months No arrest which Constable Jim Orr has made in all his life offered him more pleasure than that of Henry colored, last night, on charges f embezzlement and of beating a board bill. Therefrom is appended a narrative. Mack was arrested by the officer in January, 1907, a year and a half ago, on the embezzlement harge, the allegation being that the negro had kept \$10 belonging to Mr. W. H. Bigelow. He was taken to the home of 'Squire Hilton, where a \$25 bond was demanded. The negro said he could give a cash bond and so the officer accompanied him to his home,

a three-roomed affair. Entering room the negro began looking through his trunk. The constable to facilitate his efforts loosed him from the impediment of irons. Instantly the negro jerked open the door of the next com, leaped through it and slammed it after him, leaving Constable Orr in

total darkness.
"It took about ten minutes to get out of there," said the officer, admitting that the joke that time was on him. But it was the only negro who ever escaped from his clutches, and he laid for him. Recently W. W. Kennedy swore out a warrant for board skipping against him, the name was recognized and last night Officers Orr and Earnhardt nabbed him Church street.

CAR INSPECTOR KILLED.

Young Man Run Over at Hamlet by Seaboard Train, Special to The Observer,

Hamlet, Sept. S .- W. A. Melton car inspector for the Seaboard Air Line, was run over and instantly killed here to-night by train No. 44. No one seems able to state the exact manner in which he met his death but it is supposed that he was on the front platform of the rear car and when the train started to pull out he slipped and fell under the car. Mr. Melton was a young man, 25 years old, and leaves a father and mothe who live near Blewett Falls.



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