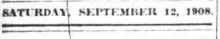
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wide latitude as it thinks public pol-icy permits, but it is in no case re-sponsible for their views. It is much preferred that correspondents sign their names to their articles, especial-ly in cases where they attack persons or institutions, though this is not de-manded. The editor reserves the right to give the names of correspondents when they are demanded for the pur-pose of personal satisfaction. To re-ceive consideration a communication must be accompanied by the true name of the correspondent.



applications and payments

THE ATTITUDE OF A MODERATE.

the firm stand taken for the na-

of Brooklyn. Mr. Shepard is of the

Cleveland type and has not always

been regular. He is a man of pa-

triotism and wisdom, whose counsel

henelicent

to the future welfare of our cours-

There is cheer for Democrats in

GENERAL ADVANCE IN FREIGHT RATES.

A Washington special to The New York Journal of Commerce says that general guaranty fund held by the "according to information received State insurance commissioner. The circles expected result of the whole plan is here [Washington] there has been no to make thoroughly reliable insurchange whatever in the disposition of ance available at unheard-of cheanthe managers of the roads to inaugu- ness. Already several savings banks rate at an early date a substantially have established these insurance dehigher schedule of railway rates for partments, and their experience will the transportation of practically all be watched with no little interest. commodities. The new rates are in

process of careful preparation, it is stated, and, while it is not possible to say how soon they will be ready for application, it is anticipated that they will go into effect before a very great tional ticket by Edward M. Shepard. this general read-When while. justment of schedules is made effective will be apt time for the rediscriminatory rates moval of the from which North Carolina suffers carries far, and these words from a It is said in the special from which statement which he gave out some we quote that it is believed that the days ago will have a wide and con-

Inter-State Commerce Commission vincing influence: and the administration in general "is being at last fully made up. I am unable the disposition to be see that Americans who cherish the see that Am difficial and raise rates" and "that there will be traditional. a general toleration on the part of cleveland can rightly do otherwise than the public for the idea of higher rates support Mr Bryan If Mr Tatt's solenn tatement of his programme be sincere ad intelligent, then his very gifts and intues would, in the White House, be statement of is somewhat confidently predicted ' The understanding in Washington, it is further said, "is that what the read to promote a programme, the chief terms of which every Democrat and every believer good efficient ought to deem dancrease that will mercly 'parallel' the try.

increase that has occurred in the Mr. Shepard says further that Mr. prices of commodities and in wages Taft is too sincere a man to repudiate during the past few years, it being afterwards the promises made charges for freight

SAVINGS BANK INSURANCE. AIR NAVIGATION ACCOMPLISHED. The time for jesting increduilty It is fairly well known that life nsurance could be sold much more with regard to the success of the airtheaply than at present but for the ship has passed. It has already succeeded. As The Philadelphia Record heavy expense of getting business. The average man, little accustomed of Thursday said: "To speak doubtto contemplate the idea of his own fully of the possibility of human flight death, will not do what simple duty after yesterday's performance at Fort Myers would be whimsical or perdictates unless run down and reverse." And the flight of Thursday peatedly preached at by insurance was more successful still, Orville agents; and the maintenance of ef-Wright has kept affoat for a period fective agency forces comes high. of more than an hour and attained a Because sold in small units, "indusspeed of fifty miles an hour. He trial insurance," which should be claims that his machine can carry cheapest, costs much more proporgasoline sufficient to drive it for five tionately than any other sort. It is hours and that "his flight endurance this class of insurance which the is limited only by the capacity of his Massachusetts Legislature had chiefly oil tank." Referring to "the speculain mind last year when passing "An tions about aerial navies capable of Act to Permit Savings Banks to Es-

annihilating the strongest fort and tablish Life Insurance Departments." whole fleets of battleships by drop-A copy of the law lies before us and ping explosives," The Record conwe find its provisions exceedingly intinues: public benefit in "The practical attainment of human tricks. Having learned early in life "The practical attainment of human flight is wonderful enough in itself with-out fanciful exaggerations. It is true that the aeroplanes thus far have been flown under the most favorable weather conditions only. What they would do in a wind even of moderately high velocity remains to be demonstrated. They would certainly be more difficult to manage under such circumstances, and their radius of action would be circumscribed. This is the only remaining element of un-tail and letting it slip between his view is the cheapening of small-unity insurance by elimination of the heavy expenses heretofore deemed unwage-carners already go in and out of the savings banks, they will presumably not need to be run down. Institutions which aiready possess their confidence, and This is the only remaining element of un-tail and letting it slip between his vertainty. For the rest it has been shown sharp teeth. In a rough and tumble whose benefits they have already exthat aviators can rise to any height, re-main in air as long as fuel for their en-gines holds out, and glide safely down to terra firma from any elevation at will or perienced, will simply offer them an xtension of service into a new but if through any mischance the motor order to get Jerry in a resentful mood should fall to act." closely related field. Neither solicitors nor house-to-house premium col-In other words the period of exmay be employed, but the bank may designate certain persons perimentation has passed. It only re-

and places for the branch receipt of mains to perfect a machine the capaity of which to navigate the air has been demonstrated. To what deonvenient. The new bank insurance gree of perfection or of practical favorite prank was to steal up bedepartments will be closely superutility it may attain in ten years are hind the unsuspecting visitor, catch vised by the State, which virtually him by the coat tail and bleat and subjects for most interesting conassumes a small portion of the exsputter. Although he would not butt, penses. Protecting all policies is a templation. the victim of his innocent, boisterous

Every now and then the Occident learns that China had tried out and abandoned many centuries ago some new custom or discovery. transpires from recent archacological researches that, as shown by the abdominal organs of a woman found well preserved in a vase, the ancient Egyptians had appendicitis Thus does modern vanity receive an-

other shock.

When Evelyn, resuming her now abandoned suit, gets a divorce from Harry Thaw, we shall feel strongly inclined to marry the aforesaid Harry to Nan Patterson, who, by the way, drifted into Pittsburg through a kind of natural gravitation two years or more ago and has been raising cain there off and on ever since.

The Industrial News cites us to the case of a bloodhound having run in two hours and held him up a tree until the Grantstory to be true there is no reason to believe that an average good 'possum dog would not have done the work in half the time.

eighteenth Illinois congressional district will have mporBY RED DUCK

Billy Brown was a goat with a humorous habit. He belonged to Messrs. Mose and Ro Brown, livery-men, of Concord. Readers of 'The "And it was you, confound you," men, of Concord. Readers of 'The Observer will recall that I told of an experience that I had with Billy a few years ago. No stranger who call-ed at the Brown stables during Billy's career as fighter, disease preventer his balance fell flat on his hack Billy his balance, fell flat on his back. Billy career as fighter, disease preventer and aromatic king will forget his went into the air and dropped on him. "Bahl bahl Sput! sput!" cried he as he hooked at the prostrate poli-tician. By this time there were many on-lookers, mounted on the fence, in the windows of nearby buildings and else-where. goatship.

HAD A SENSE OF HUMOR.

HE TEASED STRANGERS.

human callers at the stable.

joke, would take to the tall timber.

with him swinging on behind.

when Billy got after him, and

full of people, Billy worked over-

time, deriving special pleasure from

rural crowds. Nothing delighted him

On special occasions

stood just inside the front door, where

who wanted to see the

BILLY AND THE POLITICIAN.

about the retreat he made.

club passed unmolested.

loose.

formance.

watch him too well.

A goat may not have sagacity but Billy Brown had a keen sense of humor. Being confined to a lot in city he could not walk telephone poles, trim young fruit trees, do the buck and wing dance in barn lofts

and cavort in pleasant pastures as his stablemen who knew that the goat kind does in the country, hence, for was not vicious. pastime, he did new and original "Bah, ah, bah! Sput! sput!" responded Billy.

All the while Orison's feet and hands were in the air and he was doing his utmost to rise.

"Get off me, you infernal mur-"I'll cut your derer!" said Orison. throat, Mose Brown. You drotted Democrat." Orison had confused the goat with

one of his owners. "Bah-ah-ah!" answered Billy.

"Oh, damn you, you can swear all you like, but I'll get you when I get up." said the Populist. "You are trying to kill me and get me out of the Billy had pinched his tail to the bone. way."

ORISON GIVEN A CHANCE.

Tiring of prancing on Orison's tummy, Billy backed off, stood clear But it was not at this sort of mischief that Billy Brown excelled. He of the winding legs and waited deshowed more cunning in dealing with velopments. As mad as a hornet the humiliated politician scrambled to his stranger was sure meat for him. His feet and drew his knife.

"I'll cut your threat, you blasted white whiskerer rascal," declared Orison. "Bah-ah-ah!" retorted Billy softly

"Don't you curse me!" shoute Orison, getting red in the face and

very dignified citizen of Concord lost assuming a threatening attitude. "Sput! sput! sputter!" was the his head and his dignity, one day h! reply. friends have not yet quit laughing "I won't take that off of any man!"

said Orison, flourishing his blade. "I dare you to say it again!" Being a shrewd animal Billy made

"Bah-ah! ah-sput!" bleated Billy but few mistakes in picking his subbut before he concluded his remarks jects to practice on; the man with a Orison rushed at him and tried to stab his eye out. On gala days, when the town was

Billy was fine at dodging, and a Orison came down he ducked, made a quick dash forward and caught his pet hold on the coat tail. "Fight fair, fight fair, you white-

more than to take hold of the coat of a shy countryman and give him three degrees before turning him headed devil," cried Orison. "Don't Billy strike me from behind."

Billy nipped out a section of coat he could see all comers without being fell back and chewed it while Orison prepared for another attack.

seen, and pick his prospective victims. The crowd was enjoying the fight If he liked a man he would utter a So was Billy, but Orlson was in low, soft, complicated note, not like the warning of a snake, but something earnest.

"Go after him Billy!" yelled akin to the tuning of a fiddle, before street urchin. he sauntered out to make the grand "If you come to me again I'll kill assault. It required a trained ear to

hear this prelude, which many beyou," said the indignant politician. "I won't take any more of your insolieve Billy gave for the benefit of those Derlence."

When the goat was in a "Ah-ay-ay! Sput! sput! sput!" exfestive mood it was difficult to get claimed the goat.

the stable boys to work; they liked to "Do it if you dare!" cried Orison Do it and then talk about it. on't believe a word you say." "Talk to him, Billy!" urged a boy The most fun that Billy ever had

in one act and the greatest one-act show the town ever witnessed was

on the day that Henry Orison, a local his opponent. politician, got drunk and drifted in "You shake your fist at me?" shoutthe back door of the stable. A large ed Orison, cutting at the goat, but crowd filled the streets. Blind tigers control himself unable to



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don't believe a word you say." "Talk to him, Billy!" urged a boy from the fonce. "Bah, ah, ah!" said Billy, rearing on his hind legs to make a spring at

Tales of the Town and the Times

a proportionate share of return in right who maintain that the Democomparison with other enterprises." cratic party is more nearly united

We imagine that among our peo- than since Cleveland's second eleceration" of an advance in rates if the Pryan is not elected in November all Greensboro Record. present rates are not fairly compen- may know that there are not yet satory and the people were shown enough Democrats in the country to That is not the question. They are elect a President and the result will willing to pay for railroad or any he notice to the party that in order other service whatever it is worth, to succeed it must look for recruits. whatever is necessary to enable the railroads to pay operating expenses.

including good wages interest on in- THE NEED OF A NEW BROOM. vestment and a profit besides which Senator LaFollette is supporting will enable the railroads to create Taff, but he makes bold to laugh at sinking funds for the retirement of some Republican campaign talk. The obligations; so liberal are they; but Wisconsin "progressive" finds exwhat they are distinctly not willing quisite humor in the idea of investito do any longer is to pay more than sating the tariff, with a view to its revision, through the Senate finance others pay for the same service and committee and the House committee some time, som how, they will find some means whereby to correct this on ways and means. Republican outrageous existerating inconality. membership of the finance committee is composed of such stalwart The railroads will confer a benefit upon themselves if they will right tariff reform champions as Messrs. this wrong voluntarily instead of Aldrich (or Ofidrich), Burrows walting for the people to force cor- Hansbrough, Hale, Hopkins and Penrection of it, or what will be worse, lose. The House ways and means goad them until, through their law, committee is dominated by such making bodies, they make reprisals, equally stalwart tariff reformers as As suggested above, the equalization Payne, Dulzell, Hill of Connecticut, the general readjustment and ad- husband. Senator LaFollette might vance which is threatened is entered further have taken notice that the upon, and we very earnestly direct promised currency reform must come. their sitention to the matter now if through any Republican source, by while "the new rates are in process way of Senator Aldrich and the comof careful preparation."

The foes of bank deposit guaranty other measures whatsoever for the or co-insurance might take notice that policies and annuity contracts in savings bank insurance departments are now the beneficiaries of guaranty or co-insurance in the eminently safe and sane State of Massachusetts. There is, in fact, nothing not eminently safe and sane about either of these two closely related propositions.

Judge Taft said in his speech at not only vote for Bryan but send Sandusky, O., Tuesday: "If I am money to convert the political elected I purpose to devote all the heathen without whose added votes Like the fleecy cloudlets drifting energy that is in me to prevail upon he cannot possibly be elected. Congress to pass laws necessary to clinch the Roosevelt policies." Roosevelt, Roosevelt, always Rooseweit! The strenuous life, the Big give car to the plea of the Governor Stick, the Ananias Club, the nature in behalf of the flood-stricken people fakers and "my policies." O, Lord, of Lenoir and Pender, and to that how tiresome it all has become!

The Wall Street Journal takes occa- counties named have been sadly desion to remark that the commercial vastated. The entire crops of corn. ratio of silver to gold at last official cotton and tobacco of many farmers accounts was 38.05 to 1. At the bes have been swept away and a great ing of 1967 if was 29.67 to 1. In many of the people have been reantly not being depreciated by large fellow-citizens and their appeals for

transportation have not risen during additional reason for vigorous opposi- approaching election, but inasmuch measure as other prices, and that the paign is that of the conservative years ago was about 10,000 such roads are justified in seeking to get Democracy in general. They are action on their part seems more than

pla there would be considerable "tol- tion in 1892. If, therefore, Mr. Should Be Condemned and Executed.

Mr F D. Alexander, of Charlotte,

substance he says: please na best. Really our city law Billy off and on reaching a little hill to fly up. ten Charlotte stinks to Heaven." This is high treason.

It Does, Charleston News and Courier.

Last week the North Carolina State Republican convention was held in 'harlotte On Sunday The Observer. of that city, welcomed the headquarters of the Standard Oll Company in these words: "If we must have trusts, let them do business through Charlotte." Advertising pays.

THE BELLE OF CAROLINA.

For The Observer.

Mrs. J. M. Odell, of Concord, and nicce, Miss Margaret Allison, of Lake of rates demanded will be timely when Watson of Indiana, and Mrs. Alico's Charles, La. are the guests of Mr. and Mrs. D. P. Hutchison. They will leave this afternoon for Concord.

mission of his own cheice with which

Far beyond the distant waters Glows the burnished western cloud, he is now junketing through Europ. Wrapped about the weary sunset And with regard to these and all Like some giant mountain shroud.

public benefit it should be remem-On the peak of yon far mountain, Burns the last long kiss of light. bered that Aldrich will run the Sen-And the evening winds are stealing ate a good while yet in any event. Softly down the paths of night. and, unless Democrats gain a ma-

jority of members, Cannon will sim-Shadows stretch across the meadows Where the dreary crickets creep, llarly run the House. Mr. Taft is And the vast eternal woodland a good man, but who could leaven Slumbers now in pulseless sleep. such a lump as his party before that

party has known the purifying in- In the woods I'm sitting lonely, fluence of defeat? The country's Neath the bearded cypress tree, Moss-embowered, silence-haunted, interests demand a new deal. Let's Evening-clad, and free.

> Lost am I in fondest reverie,-O'er the face of yonder sky.

With the wanton woodland sephyrs Wing my dreams o'er hill and plain, The charitably inclined may well And I'm basking in her blushes 'Neath her trustful smiles again

Eyes of blue are sweetly smiling On me now, and words of love of the people of Bladen in behalf of Filt from heart to heart, and glory their own fellow-countymen. The Beams upon us from above.

> Night and darkness wraps the woodland Stars above but faintly beam, But, to me, the world is glided With the glory of my dream.

ing of 1997 if was 22.67 to 1. In many of the people nave been re-breaking tous been in the breaking tout been in the breaking to been in the break Dreaming thus beneath the cypres succor should not go unheeded. -OSCAR BOLAND.

Henry had his load and Billy was in man fell and Billy sidestepped and been active for twelve hours. being fine form. From his place of vantage renewed the fight from the rear, pullthat period in anything like the same tion to him. His attitude in the cam- as Speaker Cannon's plurality two at the front of the stable the goat ing Orison's coat and bleating vigorsaw the politician when he reeled in ously

For an hour the battle between the the rear entrance, and as the prudent politician and the goat continued. cat stalks the sneaking mouse. Billy stalked his man. Having made a Billy was the aggressor and Orison turn or two in the hallway Orison the defendant, never did realize that stepped in an empty stall, lifted a he fought a goat and not a man. bottle to his mouth and began to Tiring of the monotony of the condrink. Billy saw his opportunity and test, Billy returned to the front part

seized it. Like a flash he went from of the stable. Billy Brown was a great goat. should at once be tried, condemned front to back and, without a sound teased everybody and everybody teased him. Dr. Frank L. Smith gave and executed by the admirers of that of warning, grabbed Orison by the foir city. In his advertising space in coat and began to jerk it and bleat. The Observer to-day, he says: "This Belleving that the devil had him the him cigarettes and he ate them. In order to get even with him for some man a law unto himself-a startling man wherled and kicked, but Billy of his mischlef boys would give him statement by our chief executive. In Brown could not be foiled; he held lighted cigarettes and he would draw 'I'll keep the on, like grim death, ferking and comlaws that suit me best and bust the plaining. Orison made a break and the fire ends to his mouth and then snit them out with a splutter. After rest' Let us, the lambkins of the passed out the door. His legs were solt them out with a splutter. After flowe, imitate our leader and each so unsteady that he could not go as the cigarette struck the ground he man bust the law that galls his ten- rapidly as he would like to have done. would turn his head sideways and look and listen as if expecting a bee der neck and keep just those that but in cavorting around he threw

is at best but a joke, never intended in the lot, realizing that he had es-for the masses, just the class. Rot- caped the clutches of something, he ed away. He died and went to the But, like all good goats, Billy passknew not what, turned to look about. happy hunting ground.

"Native Born" or Not? New York State Leaning to Bryan. To the Editor of The Observer:

Newton Enterprise. Is it not "painting the lily" to Mr. W. C. Kenyon, who has returned from a visit to New York State, tells us that the Bryan feeling very strong. The conservative Cleveland Democrats, who opposed Bryan in former campaigns, are for him this year, and the great army of working men who used to vote the Republican ticket because they believed in the full dinner-pail argument will this year vote according to their natural inclinations for the Democratic candidates, as they have

seen from the present panic which is much worse in the North than in the South, that prosperity is in no way dependent on Republican administrations and high tariffs. Republification to cans admit the State is in doubt, and in addition to the defection of the labor vote there is trouble over the

nomination of Hughes for Governor. If he is re-nominated the sporting men will vote for Bryan; if he is not re-nominated the reform people will vote for Bryan.

New Railroad Proposed. Asheboro Courler.

The people of Erect are rejoicing in the promise of a railroad in the near future. Captain Tull, Mr. Dunlap and others of the Durham & Charlotte Railroad, were recently making a survey in the neighborhood of Erect. In conversation with some of the citizens there Captain Tull minimum majority of 10,000. Friends stated that they were surveying a assured him of a majority of 20,000. proposed road from Causey, on the C. F. & Y. V. to Erect, and proposed to construct the road at an early Later they propose to build to boro. This statement was made date. Asheboro. This statement was m to Mr. Charles Tyson, of Erect.

Good Times Are Coming. Sanford Express.

month ago.

Sanford Express. New wheat biscults are on the farmer's table, new oats are in the horse's stall, and everybody in both town and country is happy and hope-ful because the corn and cotton fields hold out a promise of bountiful har-vests. Will a great crop in the coun-try bring an abundance of money into circulation? The Northern centres are full of money and in six weeks the targe cotton crop will bring much of it South. The grip of the panic is not nearly so tight as it was a month ago. Houston Post.

speak of one as "native-born" as you do in your editorial on day before yesterday? One is accustomed to see such faultless composition in the editorial columns of The Observer that it brings a feeling of astonishment to see this form of speech. Maybe, in Richmond, Charleston and Charlotte, drawn, the double duty of being "na-tive-born" may be requisite, but is it where the social lines-are so tightly tive-born" may be requisite, but is it not exacting too much of the admirers of The Observer's English to ask us to subscribe to this new tautology Just being a plain native North Car-

olinian is sufficient cause for grati-Respectfully ARTHUR T. ABERNETHY. Rutherford College, Sept. 6th, 1908.

I notice that the United States govrnment census reports make use of the same form in the "foreign-born" and "native-born" columns.

Mr. Smith Was Confident of Victory. To the Editor of The Observer:

Your Columbia correspondent had nightmare. I talked with Hon. E. D. Smith Sunday afternoon, two days before the election to choose a United States Senator, The serenity and calm of the man bespoke victory. He is a modest man-one who never boasts-but he was confident of a Bets were offered that his opponent would not carry seven of the fortytwo counties and found no takers. Mr. Smith had no doubt as to the re-suit and the people of the State have less doubt about his accomplishing things at the national capital. E. D. Smith will be the LaFollette of the

Up to Colonel Stikeleather.

Colonel Caldwell, of Charlotte, will now proceed to send Major Hemphill the "cag" of Iredell county corn juice, with or without revenue stamps. Col. John Stikeleather, of Olin, is authorised during our absence to at-tend to the details of drawing the fuld from one of the stumps in the vicinity of Snow Creek.

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