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A FRIENDLY PASSAGE WITH A CRITIC.

In a courteous and well written communication to The Raleigh News and Observer of yesterday Mr. P. W. Gildewell, of Reidsville, criticises the attitude of The Charlotte Observer toward Col. Bryan, to whom he thinks it "has never been able to do exact justice."

THE REASON WHY.

The New York Sun says in conclusion of a reply to an Observer editorial. "The weak spot in the Southern philosophy is the assumption that Mr. Bryan can defeat any Democratic nominee of whom he does not approve."

HOW THE LAW PARES.

The Chattanooga News confidently makes these three predictions: 1. No three-rider will be executed for the murder of Capt. Quentin Rankin.

THE PRIMARY OBLIGATION.

The binding force of the primary obligation is an acute question in Richmond as well as Atlanta. In the latter city, as is well known, Joems secured the primary nomination, then got a jag and proceeded to paint a certain district of the town even redder than it was.

THE MEAT OF THE ATLANTA MAJORITY MATTER.

That Atlanta years mightily to effect Joems Woodward as of yore but hesitates when she thinks what the outside world will say.

IT IS A GREAT WRONG.

The News-Dispatch, of Clinton, Sampson county, begins very agreeably and closes very inaccurately, as follows: "As a rule The Charlotte Observer has been fair and one of the most reliable dailies in the State, but during the last three or four weeks of the campaign, it seems to have lost its head and went almost wild and even tried to make its readers believe that Bryan was going to be elected."

THE WILLIAMSON CORN METHOD

There was published in The Daily Observer Sunday and is published in the current issue of The Semi-Weekly the method of corn-planting, plowing and fertilization originated by Mr. E. M. Williamson, of South Carolina, and practiced by him and other farmers of his State with great success.

WHY WAS NORTH CAROLINA?

From the detailed report of Republican National Treasurer Sheldon it appears that of the \$1,600,000 fund \$668,795 was distributed among the various State committees. New York State received \$284,675. Thirteen other States fared as follows: Ohio, \$21,745; Maine (evidently including a liberal appropriation for the September State election), that a good show might be made, \$20,000; Delaware, \$20,000; Indiana, \$61,000; Maryland, \$25,000; Massachusetts, \$11,900; Pennsylvania, \$30,000; New Jersey, \$10,900; Iowa, \$4,000; West Virginia, \$5,825; Virginia, \$1,500; Tennessee, \$1,500; Missouri, \$2,200. To the Republican congressional committee went \$9,250.

GERMANS RESIST INQUIRIES

Manufacturers to Whom the United States Consuls in That Country Appeal For Information as to Their Business Are as Communicative as Clams.

REV. R. L. DAVIS SPEAKS

HOW TO KILL THE BLIND TIGER. Splendid Meeting at New Y. M. C. A. Building Yesterday Afternoon—State Superintendent of the Anti-Saloon League Advises His Hearers to Share the Blind Tiger to Death—Laws Should Be Enforced—Success Predicted For National Anti-Saloon League—Eyes Are on Charlotte.

TARIFF RECOMMENDATIONS.

Numerous Suggestions Under Consideration by the House Ways and Means Committee. Washington, Nov. 29.—Numerous recommendations have been made for the revision of the tariff on sundries, which are being considered by the House Ways and Means committee hearing yesterday. It is strongly urged that in the readjustment of the tariff certain and fringes composed wholly, or in part, of beads or spangles be included in the paragraph providing a duty on beads.

GERMANY APPROVES POLICY.

Its Attitude Toward the Far East Is Identical With Uncle Sam's. Foreign Office Considers Agreement a High Achievement in Statesmanship.

COST OF THE NEXT CENSUS.

Director North Will Have to Call For \$410,000 More Than He Expected the Last Time and Explains Why.

IF HAPPENED IN CHARLESTON.

A True Story of How the Great News-Printer Secured an Important Member of His Staff.

THE DANGER LINE.

The Present Primary System Threatens the Democratic Party From Salisbury Evening Post.

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We hope Governor Glenn will not press upon the General Assembly in his parting message next January the enactment of a State-wide primary law. We make reference to Governor Glenn in this connection because of the reason that we have recently read that he proposed to feature this issue in his valedictory as North Carolina's chief executive, assigning as his reason therefor a hope to be able to aspire to a State office under the present plan of party organization.

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HOLIDAY ANNOUNCEMENT

We have made unusual preparations for this year's holiday trade in the Jewelry Department. Diamonds, Watches, fine Gold Jewelry, Cut Glass, Silverware, Clocks and Novelties.

Diamonds are still high in price. While every line of merchandise has varied in price during the panic, Diamonds have steadily advanced, which only shows that it is safe to buy Diamonds.

See our line. We have all sizes from the smallest to the finest Solitaires, including many Fancy and Cluster Rings, Rubies, Emeralds, Sapphires, Opals and Pearls set with Diamonds.

A good selection of Brooches, all Diamonds and Diamonds and Pearls from... \$15.00 to \$350.00 each

Watches—We are headquarters for Watches of all makes. We carry in stock all of the best makes of American movements in Solid Gold, Gold Filled, Silver and Nickel Cases, fitted with Elgin, Waltham, Howard, Hampden and New England movements; also the new extra thin models with metal dials. Ladies' and Gentlemen's sizes.

Fine Gold Jewelry—More of a variety and a larger stock to select from in both 10 and 14-karat Gold Brooches, Collar and Cuff Pins, Cuff Buttons, Scarf Pins, Chains and Lockets, Bracelets, all sizes and styles; Ladies' and Children's sizes in Solid Gold and Gold Filled.

Rings of every description, hundreds to select from, Stone Rings of all combinations, Signet Rings with and without Diamonds.

Toilet Ware, Silver Novelties, Deposit Ware, Mesh Bags, Jewel Boxes, etc. All of our Toilet Ware and Silver Novelties Sterling.

Our Jewelry Boxes are new, nothing like them ever shown before, well made and heavily plated with Sterling Silver; all fitted with lock and key. Also a few Cigar Boxes in the lot. All have shields on top for monograms.

Look through our line of Silver Deposit Ware, Cologne Bottles, Vases, fancy pieces, new designs. Our prices are right and the quality the very best.

A few swell Photo Frames, Sterling Comb, Brush and Mirror Sets, Manicure pieces to match, Military Brushes, Whisk Brooms, Cloth Brushes, Match Boxes, Flasks and hundreds of small Novelties.

Fountain Pens—Waterman's Ideal and Aiken Lambert's Mercantile, in Plain and Fancy barrels, Silver and Gold Filled mountings. Every one guaranteed.

Ormolu Gold Clocks, warranted not to tarnish, assorted patterns; one and eight-day time and strike movements. \$1.50 to \$25.00 each

Solid Gold and Sterling Silver Thumbles from 25c. to \$5.00 each

In buying our Holiday Goods we did not overlook our staple lines Cut Glass, Sterling Silver Plated Flat and Hollow Ware. We are showing four complete patterns in Sterling Flat Ware, including the fancy pieces.

Do your Christmas shopping early—the stock is at its best now. Select your gifts, have them engraved and laid away.

The Little-Long Company's guarantee goes with everything we sell. Practical Watchmakers, Engravers and Jewelers in charge.

