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#### A POOR CAUSE, INDEED. We cannot understand with what

rates and not denying their on the United States. stolidly decime to do what It has aiready become clear why ple ply right in the matter and many articles of food and wear were

ice, should be lawyers of the first distantability and knew size. He adverts, there in the South the effects of in-

We said the other day that his con- or well to-do poor. direction should not be resisted ex-

In South Carolina waters for the first Carolina waters before. Our contern-

#### SO! THE RICH FARMER.

who, living a hard life themselves, In a special article for The New York Journal of Commerce Mr. W. M. Hays, of the Agricultural Department. interestingly directs attention to the changing balance between farm and turned into customers. Thriving towns industrial life in this country. Two generations ago two-thirds of our and rendered able to buy them withopulation was agricultural; now twothirds are engaged in pursuits other than agricultural and only one-third cultivates the soil. The balance has been completely reversed. However, wice as much as eighty years ago. He has more land, more scientific knowledge and more machinery. Per capita mies. To-day what owner of farming onsumption has undoubtedly increasland can possibly hold such a view? d at the same time, so that the net It is town and factory development result is to quadruple the ratio of which has made farming profitable in external demand for agricultural North Carolina and every other State

products. Notwithstanding the increased production per agriculturalist, the farmer has changed from a purveyor primarily engaged in supplying his own wants to a purveyor for othvery weak, has become very strong, and the higher prices which he receives in consequence benefit him enormously. How great the change in relation between supply and demand the data taken from census tables of 1905 by Mr. Hays. While during the past generation manufactured prodnots per capita of the country's entire population nearly doubled, agricultural products increased only onethird more rapidly than the Increase in population, and during the present decade they appear to have positively fallen behind. Meat-producing anidecidedly failed to keep the population page: cotton has continued well sus there were 44.1 per cent, of the lating rate was adopted as a compro- whole people engaged in agriculture paid out regularly to the incumbent mise measure, it was with the agree in 1889, 37.7 per cent. in 1899, and Governor, whoever he might

inequitable, the subject might come this statistical matter will find in it him a house. This law was made for up for discussion again. It became the full explanation of certain obthe railroads, after the compromise liar changes have been taking place likewise, and was not repealed when rate was fixed, sprang the new and in all civilized countries, that the pro- the occasion for its enactment passed, has grown more unpopular every day tain world-wide problems of econom- been done, but here again no wrong But more import. its, sociology and politics. Leaving has been done consciously. ant than either of these considera- him free to take a wider range if he tions, the railroads, seeing the writh- so desires, we shall at present deaf ings of the people of North Carolina solely with the bread-and-butter eforder the abominably discriminatory feet of this rapid industrialization up-

It is with a poor front, therefore, live of trust activities, excessive tarthat they come forward complaining iff rates, increased gold production or of an alleged but not demonstrated anything else. The trusts graft heav palpable wrong or to do anything in youd reasonable question that they correction of a petty annoyance for are cursed for many and many a dol-THE FEDERAL JUDGESHIP. recently virgin continent expansion in We are printing this morning an cultivated hand cannot go on indefiimpressive article from a learned law. nitely, and, so far as the United States the matter in a carge light. He points ral products at all adequate there must out that the judges of each of the belearned the intensive farming mothquently sit on the leach of the Cir- increasing store of valuable knowl cult Court of Appeals for this grount, edge which science offers the farmer. States, and that elistrat polices thus bound to come in time, but it has not Hable to be called to this high serve come yet and will most likely prove

in this connection to the great din apprendication have made themselves districts. The correspondent thus are they conferred benefits greater or gues inferentially for the appentment worse needed. Far more than the healthy public sentiment of the State to the values in the east of the fittes! American farmer of other sections has in behalf of such amendment of itmatter is one of convern to all the years ago was a producer without a would compel observance of the law market worths of the name. For the by the small lawless minority. But after all this is last a haracter were not farmers also. In the nur been installed for Mr. Taft's use a one for Democratic interference and their much even if they had been able have had but a languid interest in to buy, cotton, tobacco and a few It. This may be a low view of a high other crops he could always sell at this vacancy occurred be would be drag in the market; every one who tow yand reasonable doubt, have done excibal much farming land was "landwould have consulted but Sonators, yet, bringing anything in return; war What, then? Hold on the continua, and reconstruction, destroying proption of the young man Seasell until erry, credit and organization, had Mr. Taft succeeds to the presidency," made the poor poorer and the wealthy

cept upon "substantial grounds" If time, the deliverance-industrial dehe is not fit that vertainly is a sub- selopment, which was but the revival stantial ground. But this is the busin of earlier energies stifled by slavery. ness of Messra. Simmons and Over- It was necessarily a slow process, and course, the hard times of the middle nineties. In politics the Southern never before been in Carolina wa- farmer proved his own worst enemy; ters," says The Charleston News and and by joining in the deplorably mis-Courier. As a matter of fact, the guided cry for free silver he helped good ship North Carolina received to bring on, intensify and prolong the or silver service in Cape Lookout last acute stage of his troubles. Othharbor months ago. While she is due er sections, happily, saved the South and the country from the dangers time, she has unquestionably been in threatened by this and kindred delusions, and since that time Southern perary ought to take some sort of farmers have reached a permanently memory treatment. No wonder that it higher level of material well-being. a notoriously no authority upon his- Factories drew from the farms multitudes of "croppers" and other people | year,"

had been cheapening agricultural labor and agricultural products, and bettered their condition greatly. The farmer's competitors were constantly and cities, hungry for his products out stint through the production of wealth in other forms, arose on every hand. Farming became more profitable than ever before. To-day it must seem almost incredible to any rational man that but a short time ago our Populist friends were arrayed in a class movement against the towns as the farmer's natural ene-

of the industrial South. For a long while hard pressed to find markets, the American farmer now has markets absorptive in the extreme. Demand leads supply and gets further in the lead every day. The man on the soil is, we are heartily glad to say, coming into his own.

APPEARANCES MAY MISLEAD. The public should not jump to con-

clusions with regard to the condition of affairs found to exist in the offic wait for disclosure of the facts. There is no evidence of wrong-doing and The Observer for one has no idea that there has been any. The worst that thus far appears is a hopeless ing or practically none at all. This is not to be wholly wondered at in view

#### STATES AS TRUST-BUSTERS.

In the Waters-Pierce oil case Texas these things Texas has done. The decision of the United States Supreme Court is a highly important States' rights victory and one which enables Texas unit-trust legislation will be the subject of earnest legislation by

The ability to do a thing, however does not imply that it should be done. States need to keep in mind the practical difficulties arising from their powerlessness beyond their own borders. The example afforded by the Texas victory would none the less he hard to resist but for the almost universal disposition to venture upon nothing radical during a period of husiness recuperation. Two years ience it will almost certainly be heard from in more States than one

The proposition that the Legislature e-open the child labor question with a view to a new agitation of it, would e unceremonionaly kicked out of ing the present law-that is to say the vast majority-would unite with the

made. We suggest that if any doubt can get out of Charleston harbor heavily laden Mr. Taft and his bath tub might be taken across the bar in

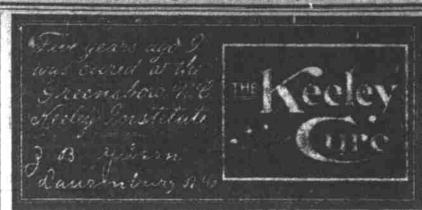
### Lexington Attorney Moves to Wil-

mington. Lexington Dispatch Mr. W P. Mangum Turner, attorney at law, who came to Lexington a

year ago, has decided to move to Wilmington for the practice of his proeasion and will leave about the first of the month. Mr. Turner, however, will attend the next term of Davidson , having a number of cases to after. It is to be regretted that leaves our town, but the numerfriends he has made in Lexington wish him well in his new loca-In spite of the usual difficulties that beset the pathway of the young lawyer, Mr. Turner has done remarkably well since coming here. He is a man of vigorous ability and force of character, and is well qualified for the practice of law. will succeed in Wilmington is a mat-

### Had Read 'Em All.

Chicago News. "I suppose you have read Shakeseare's works?" said the young man om the East.
"Yes, all of them," replied Miss Fits of St. Louis, "that is, unless he has written something within the past



EASTERN DISTRICT JUDGESHIP.

The Great Office, Held For Life, is Made a Football of Political Scheming-The Judge Sits Not Only on Vast Number of Causes in the District, But Also on Circuit Court of Appeals Bench at Richmond-Importance of a Suitable Man.

to the Editor of The Observer: As the Democrats have never been able to name a Federal judge in North Carolina since 1860, nevertheess the conditions are such, especialy since the creation of the Circuit court of Appeals, as to enlist the deep oncern of all patriotic and thoughtful lizens, of all parties, as to the maner of man who is approved to sit as listrict judge for the eastern district f North Carolina.

Think of it for a moment. North arolina has about 2,000,000 people. nd the district judge for borth Carolina is the sole judge (with ertain exceptional instances) its in that vast territory to try and determine all causes criminal |vil causes, causes in equity and adniralty, at law and in bankruptey. A generation ago the business of the ourt was not a tithe of Centralism in Federal adninistration has tended to enornously expand and draw into the Federal courts cases of great importance ind in continually increasing numbers, so that Brooks and Seymour, of former decades, if alive would hardly recognize the docket of

Besides, in comparatively recent years, Congress has created a Circuit ourt of Appeals. Five States are inluded in this, the fourth, circuit, nine of these Circuit ourts of Appeals in the States. This court in jurisdiction and in power, ranks second only to he Supreme Court of the United

What is the composition or personnel of this high court of appeals for the fourth circuit of West Virginia, Margland, Virginia, North Carolina and South Carolina? It is imposed of three judges. have on it Chief Justice Fuller and the two circuit judges, Goff and Pritchard. But Fuller rarely ever It may be composed of one cirif judge and two district judges, it it may be composed of three dis-

In ability, learning, those elements of mental grasp and legal lore that make up a very powerful tribunal, it often falls below the Supreme Courts in equity, constitutional great property interests—as to hese no court in the land is called (pon to pass on questions of more v) tal convern to the corporations, the welfare of the citizen than those conslis with one of the two circuit Judges presiding and two district judges as answinters.

Never before in the history of this tovernment was it of such vital importance to the whole people, irrespective of creeds, parties or race, to have on the Federal bench law-

the trend of government along the judicial way, often fail to realize until too late that all the people are profoundly interested and affected by Houston Post. these judicial appointments and hence fall to exert themselves to get suitable men appointed. master or a revenue officer is appointed and proves to be unfit, his olitical life is short and he soon passes. But the Federal judge's term s for life or good behavior, and no had behavior in these days will in-

If the constitution of the United States could be respected, and was permitted to have force and effect as to these judicial appointments, at least, the Stale would have some can hold responsible, proper selection. Such appointments. be and with the advice and consent There are two Senaof the Senate. tors from North Carolina in the Sen-If the President would take their advice he would no doubt appoint a man fit to sit on the Circuit Court of Appeals.

But it is given out from the press that he got the advice not of the Senator but of ex-revenue officers and of certain gentlemen at the head the Republican machine. great office is made a football of political scheming. The President had a big stick in each hand. With Duncan he knocked down one of the Senstors and with Judge Pritchard, the God pity the people and save the

Only One Death in Family in Fifty Years.

lock Haven correspondence Philadel-

This was a notable day in the af-

fairs of Mr. and Mrs. G. E. Klup, of this city, for it was just fifty years ince they were married. To-day's event was attended by the six children and eleven grandchildren, their families and other rela-tives. There has been but one death in this family, that of a grandchild, which occurred twenty-six years ago.

Good Roads Brought Him.

Lincolnton News. Mr. Clay E. Rutledge has purchased a farm in Mecklenburg county, five miles northwest of Charlotte, and will move his family there next month. We regret to lose such a progressive farmer as Mr. Rutledge, but he says he good roads of Mecklenburg are taking him there. cess and hope he will return to Lincoin county when we have our good roads, too.

Jiggers. That he is a matThe Montgomery Advertiser.
The Charlotte Observer insists or calling them "jiggers," not "chiggess." Well, a bug by any other name would bite as deep. Call 'em what you will and we think none the better of them.

Married-of Course!

Fligende Blaetter. "That young couple even to be oving themselves immensely, hey married?" DEATH OF MRS. CAREY BUTT.

One of the City's Most Beloved Young Women Passes Away After Three Weeks Illness—Funeral Arrangements Not Yet Perfected.

Mrs. Carey W. Butt, who has been so critically ill with typhoid fever for the past three weeks, died at an early hour this morning at her home on East Vance street. Mrs. Butt was taken sick the first of the month and her condition was serious from the outset. Several days ago all but the immediate family of loved ones abandoned all hope. Death came as a re-hef to suffering at 12:40 o'clock.

Mrs. Butt, prior to her marriage was Miss Jenny Scott, of Richmond, Va. She was about 27 years of age and was wedded to Mr. Butt a little more than four years ago. Aside rom her bereft husband, her mother, Mrs. J. L. Black and two sisters, Mrs. Brooks B. Todd and Miss Cetar Back and one small brother, survive. All of these were at the bedside when the end came. Nothing that medical skill and loved attention could do was neglected. The battle from the first was an unequal one and the final outcome for some time had been expected.

Mrs. Butt was one of the city's most popular and admired young women. Gifted with all those traits that make for the highest and best, she was in very sense an ideal wife and friend To her numberless friends in this city her death will bring sadness and

The funeral arrangements had not been completed when The Observer went to press. They will be announced to day.

#### The Tactful Suiter,

Harper's Weekly, A youth in Trenton, whose devotion to the young woman of his choice has encountered many obstacles during

his long courtship, recently sought he out with this apparently encouraging with this apparently encouraging statement: "I think it's all right now, Alice, I managed to get access to your father the other day and while he wouldn't exactly give his consent I rather imag-ine I've made some headway. He

Surely he can't errowed \$40 of me. tand me off much longer after that. The young woman sighed. "Yes, we heard about it," she said, "and think you've made an awful mess of Father mentioned the \$40 and emarked that I'd better give you up

#### The Remarkable Mr. Bryan. hattanooga Times.

-you were too easy.

Mr. Bryan is one of the most re-tarkable men of the day. Here he declaring, after observing the trend f events, that if the election were to ome off now his plurality would equal that of Mr. Taft. Fact is if the eleccouldn't carry Georgia and he would stand easily to lose North Carolina and Tennessee.

### Two Yale Men.

There is something appealing and bity and inflexibly just.

Here is one of our points of danger day to complete the nationalization laymen who do not study law and of a section which Calhoun, a Yaic who therefore do not have time to see man of an earlier day, helped make provincial.

### Texas Gladdened,

The Charlotte Observer revokes that statement that the last cocktail was made in North Carolina last Thurs-We thought our contemporary would take a more hopeful view of the situation after a fair investiga

### EDGAR ALLEN POE.

liast thou no niche within the Hall of Fame is no hall of fame without thy form: to glory's halo lingers 'round the flame f poet's fire more lively or more warm. f ne'er accorded in that Hall a place. Through Envy's spite, thy name shall

Enthroned in kinder hearts while yet a

trace Of love exists for highest poesy.

No mediocre talents were thine own: Like noonday's blaze they lit the Southern sky. Or, in weird darkness, left the hear

alone, In doubt to wrestle or in alleace sigh; But ever, with a master's hand, were wrought Fresh combinations of thy native tongue,

And new creations of most subtle thought With these were woven into song and BUTTE.

No pangs of penury could e'er repress, Nor sickness dim the star thy genius Thy quest and effort to relieve distress Beneath thy roof, a legacy has grown; A legacy that all the nations share, Entwined with song and story through all time,

Bequeathed to those who strive for heights sublime. Defamed, derided, wronged, but not de-

Eluding Mammon's grasp-a wealth so

Reproached for thy loved Consort's suffering Whose love undying still upon thee smiled, Thou hadst the courage and the heart to sing:

We wish him suc- in hearts unborn, who feel its mystle Sweet gladness mingled with a mist of tears-To prove the poet's power, the artist's

Thy song shall echo through the flight

And to thee ever-growing fame shall

No need of painters or sculptor's aid



# Clothing Store Stays Open Two or Three Days Before Stock Taking

The Clothing Store on Tryon street, containing the Shoes, Clothing and Men's Furnishings, will be kept open for business Monday and Tuesday, and possibly Wednesday, in order to reduce the stock as low as possible before the H. C. Long Company takes it over. Here's a fine opportunity for Men and Boys to buy anything from head to foot at prices that split dollars in the middle. Here's one of the greatest lines of Women's, Men's and Children's Fine Shoes sold in the city and all these go at extraordinary cuts for the next two or three days. But the Cash must be paid, if we split the price.

## Men's Suits and Overcoats

Stylish new Suits that sold at \$15.00 to \$20.00, a	ale
price \$10	.55
Suits we sold at \$10.00 to \$15.00 for \$6	.35
Men's Overcoats we sold at \$22.50 for\$15	.33
Men's Overcoats we sold at \$12.50 for \$6	.35
Men's \$25.00 Raincoats for \$13	.65

## Boys' Suits and Overcoats

Boys'	Raine	coats t	hat	sol	d at \$	6.00 fo	r		\$	2.95
Boys'	Overc	oats,	3 to	8 1	ears,	worth	\$4.00	to	\$5.00,	for
									\$5	2.45
Boys'	Suits	worth	up	to	\$5.00	for			\$5	2.45
Boys'	\$2.50	Suits	for.			,		. ,	\$	1.55

## Men's Women's and Children's Shoes

	Ladies' \$4.00 Sorosis Shoes
	American Lady and Artistic \$3.00 Shoes \$1.95
	Ladies' fine \$2.00 and \$2.50 Shoes\$1.45
i.	Men's \$5.00 "Dorsch" Shoes \$3.55
	Men's fine Dress \$3.50 and \$4.00 Shoes for \$2.95
	Men's Fine and Coarse Shoes sold up to \$2.00. Choice
	\$1.15
	Boys' and Misses' \$1.75 and \$2.00 Shoes
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## Furnishings

Hawes' \$3.00 Hats, any one for\$1.50
"Emery" \$1.00 and \$1.50 Shirts
One lot 50 and 75c. new, stylish Negligee Shirts. Choice
35с.
Big assortment Men's Fancy and Plain 50c. Sox, only
25c.
Men's Pure Linen Handkerchiefs, worth 12 1-2c. One
dozen for
Men's \$1.00 and \$1.50 Umbrellas, every one guaran-
teed. Choice

