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THURSDAY, APRIL 8, 1909.

END THE JUDGESHIP FARCE.

Red Buck, The Observer's Washington correspondent, is apparently about right in concluding from excellent opportunities for observation that the eastern North Carolina judgeship contest "has degenerated into a vaudeville performance." Mr. Taft and his Attorney General seem to enjoy the proceedings greatly. This is the first scramble-royal of the new administration, and Mr. Taft officiates at it with zest for novel experiences and with a fine sense of humor.

STATE AND ADAMS VS. BUTLER.

The Adams-Butler libel prosecution interests us in such a very general way that we have brief comment to make upon its outcome. A former United States Senator's newspaper accused a United States Territorial Judge of corrupt conduct while on the bench. This accusation, conveying great odium and by nature such as should be investigated in the public interest if made with any particular semblance of truth, should on every account never have been made at all except upon ample grounds. The Butlers, it seems, had as their warrant only certain circumstances which led them and some other people hostile toward Judge Adams, or for any reason entertaining unfavorable opinions of his character, to suspect corruption. Corrupt imposition upon the Indians of Oklahoma and Indian Territory had long been so generally practiced that public sentiment in the Territories supported it, and when Judge Adams returned to North Carolina after two years' service as chief justice of the Choctaw and Chickasaw Citizenship Court he gave evidences of more wealth than could easily be accounted for. His political enemies asserted their suspicion or belief that he was enjoying part of a \$750,000 fee allowed by his court as compensation for attorneys' services. It is proper to say that he received no discredit at all from a general investigation of Territorial affairs by governmental agency several years ago and that while Representative Stephens, of Texas, and others have included him in charges of Territorial corruption they have offered no proof and furnished no basis upon which special investigation might proceed. Judge Adams asked for an investigation, but no accuser appeared, no charges were filed, and no investigation was ever granted.

TO DO FOR COTTON WHAT HAS BEEN DONE FOR GRAIN.

Whatever his fitness as a leader, Mr. Daniel J. Sully does well when he directs public attention to means whereby better conditions may be, and some day doubtless will be, brought about in the cotton world. This plan, however, is not original with Mr. Sully. Four years ago Mr. D. A. Tompkins, of Charlotte, formulated it in a published address. The New York man's promotion scheme is all his own, but the idea upon which he bases his appeal was taken, to its last detail, from the address mentioned.

SECOND DAY PRESBYTERY

Two calls were passed upon. Semi-Annual Meeting of the Mecklenburg Presbytery is now in session at Norwood, Stanly county. With Mr. J. W. Pharr, of Charlotte, in the Moderator's Chair, the session from Belmont Church has been passed upon and is now in the hands of Mr. Harrison, who was asked to take that work—preparations made for the Calvin Quadrangular—Home and Foreign Missions Discussed.

GEORGE BARTON IDENTIFIED.

Government Officers Take a Look at the Yegman Now in Jail at Asheville—No Information as to His Special To The Observer. Asheville, April 7.—A deputy sheriff from Greenville, S. C., and a postoffice inspector were in Asheville yesterday afternoon, but left later during the evening of this morning, it is said, for Haywood county. While here the deputy sheriff and postoffice inspector visited the county jail and identified the alleged yegman captured near Craggy Station Monday evening as George Barton, alias "Chicago Army," one of the two men who escaped from the Greenville jail Sunday morning. It is understood here that the officers are after the other escaping prisoner, "Tennessee Dutch."

MRS. ROOSEVELT'S PERSONALITY

Her Husband's Tumult Forgotten in the Social Sphere. Dr. Charles M. Harvey, in Leslie's Weekly. "During an era in which, for a large part of the time, the President has had a personal popularity beyond that of any of his twenty-four predecessors, and when his name figured often in the great journals of the world than that of any one other of the world's potentates, the name of his wife appeared in the newspapers comparatively seldom. In her own sphere she was busy through all those years, but she scrupulously shunned all self-exploitation. The armies of callers whom the President's personality attracted to the White House always found her at her post."

LIBERAL EDITOR KILLED.

Shot by an Unknown Man as He Was Entering His Office in Constantinople—Indignation is Great. Constantinople, April 7.—Hassan Fehmi Efendi, editor of the Liberal newspaper Sepi, was shot and killed by an unknown man as he was entering his office to-day. A government official, accompanying the editor, was wounded. The crime is believed to be political. The Serbeli has been carrying on a campaign against the committee of union and progress.

ARRESTED IN TEXAS.

William Darragh is Wanted in New York for Having Run Down in an Auto and Killed Little Boy. Port Arthur, Tex., April 7.—William Darragh, who was arrested in New York City charged with having run down and killed Ingvard Trimble, the 13-year-old son of R. D. Trimble, a Kentucky lawyer, was arrested when he arrived here to-day, after "tramping" from New York. Darragh, when arrested, admitted his identity and expressed a willingness to return to New York.

MUST PAY COURT PHYSICIAN.

Judgment For \$11,600 in Favor of Dr. Charles English, of Washington, Returned Against Former Queen of Hawaii. Washington, April 7.—Former Queen Liliuokalani, of Hawaii, otherwise "Mrs. Lydia Dominis," must pay \$11,600 to her "court physician," under a judgment rendered by Chief Justice Clark, when the Supreme Court of the District of Columbia, to-day.

RAILWAY SURGEONS ADJOURN.

Business Was Concluded With the Annual Election of Officers. Jacksonville, Fla., April 7.—The Southern Railway surgeons concluded their session here to-night, which was originally scheduled to last three days by the election of officers. The election of officers resulted as follows: Dr. Charles H. Starke, Belleville, Ill., president; Dr. Jay H. Durkee, Jacksonville, Fla., first vice president; Dr. H. W. Blair, Sheffield, Ala., second vice president; Dr. J. U. Ray, Woodstock, Ala., secretary and treasurer, re-elected fifth time; Surgeon Oculist George H. Stubbs, Birmingham, Ala., member executive committee.

RECEIVER HENRY'S APPOINTMENT MADE PERMANENT.

Special to The Observer. Asheville, April 7.—Judge Pritchard in United States Circuit Court yesterday afternoon signed an order making permanent the appointment of Mr. Sam A. Hensy as receiver in the case of the Empire Trust Company and Sam A. Hensy against the Egypt Railway Company, the owner of a railway eight miles in length in the eastern part of North Carolina. The court also made an order allowing the issuance of receivers' certificates to the amount of \$258,94 to pay insurance and taxes.

GRADUATE NURSES MEET.

The Graduate Nurses' Association held an interesting meeting yesterday afternoon at 8 o'clock at the Presbyterian Hospital. The feature of the afternoon was an address by Dr. I. W. Faison on "The Diseases of Children." He told of the symptoms of the various juvenile diseases in their early stages and of the general principles underlying their treatment. Miss Minerva Utley, a graduate of the Presbyterian Hospital, was accepted as a member.

REBEKAHS TO MEET IN ASHEVILLE.

Special to The Observer. Asheville, April 7.—The second annual meeting of the Rebekahs' district Rebekah Assembly will be held here to-morrow and Friday in the Odd Fellow Hall on Church street. An interesting programme has been arranged and a large number of Rebekahs from the western portion of the State are expected to be in attendance.

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DURHAM IN FIRST CLASS.

Postoffice Receipts Go Over the \$40,000 Mark and the Office Will Be Placed in the First Class Group July 1. Durham, April 7.—The Postoffice Department announces a change from the second to the first class for Durham, the increase to begin July 1. Durham has been in three divisions within the past two years. It went from third to second class during the incumbency of Mr. Joseph Allen, who was appointed by Mr. Cleveland during his first administration. That was in 1886. There is a great change in postoffice, the third class being anything below \$8,000 and above \$1,900. The second class offices go from \$8,000 to \$40,000 and this spring the Durham office went beyond \$40,000 in postoffice receipts.

MISTOOK WOMAN FOR BURGLAR.

Bogalusa, La., April 7.—Mrs. Elizabeth King, aged 34 years, died here to-day from the effect of a bullet wound inflicted last night by Deputy Sheriff R. S. Carson, who was a boarder in Mrs. King's house. The shot which struck Mrs. King was aimed at supposed burglars. Carson was exonerated by the coroner's jury.

GRANTED REPRIEVE BY GOVERNOR.

New Orleans, April 7.—W. W. Lykes, Placide Frigerio and R. M. Sheffield, who yesterday began a seven months' sentence in the parish prison, were released to-day on a reprieve by Governor Sanders pending a hearing of their case by the board of pardons. They were convicted on a test of the Locke racing law.

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Where There's a Will, There's a Way

We have found the way to do a maximum business at a minimum cost and the people can feel assured that the benefit is not all our own.

The values we are enabled to give to the buying public are now in evidence.

Here are a few of the high-class, low-priced items to be found in our remodeled Tryon street store:

Lace trimmed Buster Brown Collars that elsewhere cost you 25c., here at.....15c. each

All-Linen Torchon Laces worth 5 and 7 1-2c. yard, at.....3c.

A regular 10c. quality Pearl Buttons, 12 on a card, at.....5c.

10c. Initial, Barred Handkerchiefs, at.....5c.

Elastic Belts with fine buckles, at.....9c. each

We have a popular priced line of Jewelry, including Beauty Pins, 2 to 4 on a card.....10c. to 25c.

Belt Buckles, Sash Pins, Dutch Collar Pins, Hat Pins and a host of other items at exceedingly low prices, considering the fact that they are all genuine gold plate and will wear.

There's a line of

SAILOR HATS

at 50c. that can't be duplicated for 75c. We have only a small quantity.

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is ready for business. "Superb Sweets," a guarantee of purity with every ounce of weight.

Extra quality assortment, including Marshmallows, Fig Newtons, etc., at.....10c. pound

A regular 40c. line of Chocolates at.....20c. pound

The best, highest grade Chocolates, 60c. pound everywhere, at.....35c. pound

