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SUPPOSE all the coming primaries be called to meet in the evening, that is to say after supper time. Would not this plan insure a fuller attendance of Vuters ?

THE sixth judicial district does itself proud in nominating by acclamation those faithful servants of the people, Judge Boykin and Solicitor O. H. Al-We hope the other districts will len. do as well as the sixth has done.

WONDERS will never cease. A government clerk in Michigan has been dismissed at her own request. The fact that the clerk was a woman may account for the strangeness of this occurrence, however. Women are "uncertain, &c." we suppose, even in government positions.

IT is observed that while the Chicago switchmen remained peaceable there was doubt as to how their strike would turn out, but as soon as they began to ditch trains and do other violence their fath was settled, and against them. This is the rule that should be applied invariably.

CARDINAL GIBBONS Was formally invested with the beretts at the Baltimore Cathedral yesterday. The beretta is a little red skull-cap worn only by cardinals and is therefore always presented by special messengers of high rank from the pope with great ceremony. It is a very funny little cap though to symbolize so much.

MR. RANDALL's legislative legerdemain is too thin. The people see through it. As a democrat he should seek in earnest a reduction of the war taxes which are now so burdensome and so unnecessary. That is what the people want, and that is what the democratic party, which has the people's interest most at heart, demands. Mr.

LET US BE UP AND DOING. The only hope of the republicans of accomplishing anything in the coming fame? elections lies in the apathy of democrat-Let us therefore be up and doing. It is not too early to be planning the battle, to be calling the roll, to be trying

the armor which has served us so well heretofore. Let us see that every man and economy in the administration of public affairs is enlisted in the ranks of democracy, which along is to be relied upon for such continuance. Let every true democrat realize the importance of activity on his part, even though the enemy has almost entirely disappeared from view, and let the arms of the democratic party in every section of the State be brightened and sharp-

ened. Having the party, which while ions in power threatened the destruction of the State, in utter discomfiture, we cannot afford to permit the slightest attempt on its part to rally. The democracy of the State must keep it in its present condition of rout, horse, foot and dragoons, and to this end unrelaxed vigilance is necessary. Alertness must be the word all along the line. The hydraheaded monster of radicalism now beneath our feet must be dealt a blow whenever it raises a crest. A recollection of the appalling dangers from which the democratic triumph freed the State is all that is necessary to enforce this

demand from the democratic party con- full professor in the same department, tinued vigilance and, an carnest and and has lately been chairman of the thorough preparation for another con- faculty. He is president of the State test, even though no enemy appear in teachers' association of Tennessee. force in our immediate front.

THE old hall of the House of Representatives in the capitol at Washington has been set apart, it will be remem-

bered, as a valhalla for the worthies of the country. Each State in the Union is entitled to places there for representations in bronze or marble of two of its most distinguished men. The hall is rapidly being filled with the statues of the great and good who have passed away. Many of the States have bastened to place in the sight of the nation and of the world figures of their greatest men in order that their fame might be most lasting. New York has there her Fulton and her Livingston, Rhode Island her Roger Williams and her Sherman, Connecticut her Trumbull, Pennsylvania her Franklin, and so on through the list of States and of the greatest men those States have produced. But the places for North Carolina's heroes are vacant. Had the

has the Hornet's Nest to say of this latest assault upon the splendor of its

Or course the republicans will select the most plausible of the pension bills vetoed by the president and by prolonged discussion make the most party capital but of them possible. The presiwho desires a continuance of honesty dent has been too "clear in his great office' with respect to fraudulent pensions to suffer in the estimation of the people though. His reasons for his vetoes have been good and sufficient and this fact has appeared to all unmistakably. He is sustained by public opinion. the only verdict on his action being a hope that he may proceed indefinitely in the path of economy and justice to those who are really entitled to pen-

Prof. Eben Alexander.

The trustees of the University of North Carolina have been exceedingly fortunate. in their selection of Prof. Eben Alexander, from among eighteen candidates, some of them of great ex-cellence, as professor of Greek He is of success. * * * He has a very an old North Carolina family. His father emigrated to Tennessee and became an eminent judge. Prof. Alexander was and would be altogether an agreeable born in Knoxville in 1851, was grad- addition to the circle of your Univeruated at Yale with high distinction in 1873; in September 1873 was chosen injunction. Let no man sleep upon his | tutor in Latin and Greekain the univerpost. The true interests of the State sity of Tennessee; in 1877 was made firm, clear and vital teacher, &c., &c. He comes to the University of North Carolina in order to devote

> himself exclusively to the study and teaching of Greek, of which he is very fond. Prof. Alexander sent no recommen-

dation, but referred the board to prominent men in Tennessee, South Carolina, North Carolina and elsewhere. Letters were written to these and the answers are enthusiastic in his favor for learning, teaching power, social gifts and exalted character. We give a few extracts by the courtesy of President Battle. Prof. E. P. Moses, superintendent of

the Raleigh city schools, says: " hazard nothing when I say that he has always been the most popular professor in the college (university of Tennessee). He is by nature and education a man of letters. He is at the same time a fine scholar and hard student. Socially he is very pop-ular. * * * As a teacher and

disciplinarian, I do anot know his superior. In fact Eben Alexander is in my mind the highest type of the teacher, Old North State then no great the gentleman and the scholar."

the impression he made on the teachers assembled at the Tennessee State teachers' association, last August,

at Jonesboro. His subject was "What some old teachers have said about education." (Socrates, Plato, Quintilian, &c.) I regarded it by all odds the finest paper of the occasion, showing intimate acquaintance with Greek lith rature and life, and happy pear ers of combination and presentation * He is of medium weight, pleasing in appearance, has a remarkably sweet voice and is altogether a very attractive man. * * * I have often wished that I could have Prof. Alexander as a colleague at d that is the best I can say of any one '

Prof. Edward S Joyner, of the University of South Carolina, says: "I have long thought, that the interests of the University of Tennessee demanded that he should be made its president. 'This would doubtless be done but for the notion that that institution should be impelled in the direction of science and hence that it should have a scieutine, not a literary, president. I'owever, he has for the last year served with acceptance as chairman of the faculty and amiable wife and a group of four chil dren ... He is of the best Southern blood sity society. * * * He is a man of intellectual habits, and of fine literary and artistic tastes, and is moreover Prof. Beckwith, of Trinity College Hartford, Conn., says: He is a fine scholar, especially in Greek. He has : bright, elear and remarkably well-hal-anced mind. * * * He is a man of bread sympathies and great practical common sense, an earnest, self-sacrificing worker, with tact and power of adapt. ing himself to circumstances "

Letters of similar purport are on file from Dr. Noyes, professor, and W. C. M. McClung, trustee of the University of Tennessee; Prof. James Dinwiddie. of Gordonsville, Va, and from Prof E. W. Kennedy, principal of the graded school of Durham. All the testimonials are singularly enthusiastic in regard to the excellence of Prof. Alexander as a man and teacher.

The University of North Car lina has now a faculty of great power, prepared to give such thorough instruction as will meet the needs of all our ambitious youth.

A New Enemy to Cotton. Cor. of the NEWS AND OBSERVER

VANCE COUNTY, June 30, 1886 The true condition of the crops just at this season is a question of great importance to the whole country and especially to the farmers. We call the Mr. John L. Moses, president of the attention of farmers to the present prospect of the cotton crop. and ask each one to examine for himself; when they have courteous gentleman, scholarly, upright done this, I have no doubt many will and popular. His discharge of duty as find their cotton in the possession of an professor of ancient languages for many enemy far more destructive than the heavy rains that have recently fallen in many parts of the country. I am a farmer, and will state the condition of my own cotton, which may induce others to examine theirs. I have some twenty-five or thirty scres of good land planted in cotton, some of which is highly manusel and in a state of fine cultivation. In the last few days, I have closely examined it both as to growth of weed, size and height; I find the under surface of the leaves covered with lice and other insects which are sucking every portion of the leaves and young buds as soon as they put forth. A stalk that appears healthy one day will in twenty-four or forty-eight hours look as though it had been dipped in hot water and drawn into knots and granulations, upon such stalks but few leaves, and squares or buds for the future boll will appear, and none but imperfect stalks will be the reward of the farmer. I have one lot of five scres, highly manured and in fine cultivation; cotton stalks from twelve to eightien inches high, upon which I should make five heavy bales, but from the present condition arising from injury done by the insects, fear I will not make over two or three bales. I have thrown out these hints to the farmers that they may see how the case stands with their FARMER. cotton.

Falls Superior Courts, 1886

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FIRST DISTRICT -- JUDGE SHIPP. Currituck- September 6, 1 week Can den - September 13, 1 week. Pasquotank-September 20, 1 week. Perquimans-September 27, 1 week Chowan-October 4, 1 week. Gates-October 11, 1 week. Hertford-October, 15 1 week. Hertford-December 20, 1 week. Washington-October 25, 1 week. Washington-December 13, 1 week Tyrrell-November 1, 1 week. Darc-November 8, 1 week. Hyde-November 15, 1 week. Pamlico-November 22, 1 week. Beaufort-November 29, 2 weeks SECOND DISTRICT- JUDGE GUDGER. Warren-September 20, 2 weeks. Northampton-October 4, 2 weeks Edgecombe-October 18, 2 weeks. Bertie-- November 1, 2 weeks. Halifax-November 15, 2 weeks Craven-November 29, 2 weeks. THIRD DISTRICT- JUDGE SHEPHERD. Franklin-August 16, 1 week: Franklin-November 15, 1 week Martin-September 6, 2 weeks. Martin 1-December 6, 2 weeks. l'itt-September 20, 2 weeks. Greene-October 4, 2 weeks Vance-October 18, 2 weeks. Wilson-November 1, 2 weeks Nash-November 22, 2 weeks FOURTH DISTRICT-JUDGE PHILLIPS. Waket-July 12, 2 weeks. Wak.*-August 30, 2 weeks. Waket-September 27, 2 weeks. Wake*-October 25, 3 weeks. Wayne-July 26, 2 weeks. Wayne-September 13, 2 weeks. Wayne*-October 18, 1 week. Harnett-August 9, 1 week. Johnston-August 16, 2 weeks.

FIFTH DISTRICT-JUDGE CONNOR. Crang -- August 9, 1 week. Orange-November 8, 1 week Caswell-August 16, 1 week. Caswell-November 15, 1 week Person -- August 23, 1 week. l'erson-November 22, 1 week. Guilford-August 30, 2 weeks. Guilford, December 13, 2 weeks Granville-September 13, 2 weeks. Granville-November 29, 2 weeks. Alamance-September 27, 1 wcek. Chatham-October 4, 2 weeks Durham-October 18, 2 weeks

SINTH DISTRICT -- JUDGE CLARK Jones-August 16, 1 week Jones-November 1, 1 week. Lenoir-August 23, 2 weeks. Lenour-November 15, 2 we ks. Duplin-September 6, 1 week. Duplin-November 29, 2 weeks. Pender-September 13, 1 week. New Hanover*-September 27.

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ELSEWHERE we print a communication from a highly intelligent farmer concerning a new enemy to the cotton crep which has recently appeared in this section. It will be well for all planters to examine their crops in order that in case they have fallen into the possession of this enemy steps may be taken to free them from its grasp. We think we have heard something of the same trouble our correspondent describes in the counties more eastern than Vance.

WE have received from Mrs. L. C. Vass, vice-president of the Ladies Memorial Association, of New Berne, a copy of the pamphlet containing the memorial addresses delivered on the occasion of the unveiling of the Confederate monument at New Berne, May 11th. 1885. The pamphlet is being sold for the benefit of a fund for the completion of the monument. The price is 25 cents a copy. Orders may be sent to the Ladies' Memorial Association, New Berne

THE French royalists, they say, propose to organize a campaign on the basis of the Count of Paris' manifesto, which was, it will be remembered, to the effeet that the Count considers it his duty to labor for the restoration of the monarchy, and that at the decisive moment he will be ready. A copy of this manifesto has been mailed to every elector in France. It may turn out to be true, and we are inclined to think it will, that the princes are much more dangerous to of course this allegation is founded only the republic outside of France than within the borders of that politically troubled land.

FROM and after today the dryness of this town will be Sahara-like, though it is reasonable to suppose that there will be oases of refreshment within the ken of those whose thirst is most unquenchable. . It is possible too that oases such as those referred to will be found in unexpected places. Seriously though we mean to say that the local option law goes into effect and every citizen should so far as he is able see that the law is accepted in good faith and is observed. It is the law by popular . vote and the majority in this case as in all cases in this democratic country should prevail. Let the value of the new regulation be

men whose memory she reveres enough to enshrine it in the federal capitol, along with that of the other worthies of the union? We all know what the answer ought to be, but we take no steps to make it where it will do the most good. As great men have arisen within the borders of this old State as in any other of the galaxy of sovereign commonwealths. Let us therefore undertake to make their virtues and their fame known to all the world as they are to us. We have too long delayed this duty we owe the dead and which it should be our pride to perform. We are abundantly able to fill the places in Statuary Hall, Washington, to which we are entitled and for which we have material as fine as that which any sister State has produced. Let us agree upon the two of our great est men whom we would desire to represent in the country's temple of fame

and let us begin at Washington the work of perpetuating the memories of our great dead which we have already much too long delayed.

THE Senate committee on appropriations has struck out the provision for the publication of the records of the rebellion socalled, and this action it may well be taken for granted will cause a lively discussion when the bill containing it shall be reported to the Senate It is more than probable that the republican majority of the committee were influenced by the fact that one or two ex-Confederate officers are in charge of the compilation of the Confederate records. It is alleged indeed that an undue coloring in favor of the Confederacy has been given to some of the records, but in the fact that the records have not been perverted or distorted to suit the Northern view. It would seem to be but reasonable that. if the history of Confederate operations is to be recorded at all it should be recorded as told by those who conducted the operations. If the record is to be made by partisans bitterly opposed to everything Confederate, what historical value will their work have, we should like to know?

Now THAT the anniversary of our Mecklenburg declaration of independence approaches once again, it may be interesting to note that a correspondent of the New York Times says that on January 12th, 1773, an open meeting in Sheffield, Mass., adopted a declaration of more or less independence, asserting the right of self government, announcing numerous grievances, and abusing Great Britain without stint. Two of the committee that drafted the resolution, John Fellows and John Ashley, afterward became generals in the Revolutionary army. Now this declaration

mcn, the world asks, no two board of trustees of the university of Tennessee, says: "He is a modest and years and as chairman of the faculty for the last year has been so admirable as to win for him universal approval. I do not see how we can spare him and bave earnestly entreated him to abandon the idea of going away."

Major McBryde, president of the University of South Carolina, writes: 'A diligent student, a thorough and accurate scholar, an active, energetic man, a refined and courteous gentleman. he is in my opinion a man of exceptional prominence and ability. He has the power of exciting the enthusiasm and commanding the respect and confidence of his students to a remarkable degree, and yet he is a rigid disciplinarian and exacts hard work of his classes. *. * * So highly do I esteem him that I had fully determined to use every effort to secure his services for this college in the event of a vacancy in the chair of Ancient Languages."

Dr. H. T. Eddy, dean of the faculty of the University of Cincinnati writes : 'He has a powerful, well-trained intellect as well as the poise and compass of man of affairs.

Prof. Hunter Nicholson, a graduate of the University of North Carolina, now a professor in the University of Tennessee, says: "I have been associated with Prof Alexander for thirteen years on the most intimate personal and profes-

sional terms, as member of the same faculty and next door neighbor. I therefore claim to know the man and his work, and so knowing him. I do most heartily, earnestly and unreservedly commend him to you as one of the best men for the position to be found in the United States. In wide reaching, profound and accurate scholarship, in careful, painstaking investigation, in critical skill and judgment, he is all that could be asked for in a professor. More than this he is a teacher in the highest sense of the term, with the electrical power of infusing bis own enthusiasm into his classes and of getting the very best possible work out of every boy the faculty room his judg-In ment is sound and wise and his views of college work broad

and liberal In short he is everything that you could ask for the university as a professor." Mr. Morton W Easton, professor of Comparative Philology in the university of Pennsylvania, says: "The best tendencies of the new scholarship are fully represented in him. He is not a pedagogue merely, although painstaking and accurate in methods of de-

The Congressional Convention. Cor. of THE NEWS AND OESERVER.

It seems a little strange that neither the time nor place for holding the Congressional convention has been announced. The judicial and State conventions have been called, and why not the Congressional? Some of the counties in the district (if not all) have called conventions to send delegates to a convention that has not been calledand as there seems to be some misualderstanding about how this convention is called and by whom, I call attention to section three of the Democratic plan of organization, which is plain, as fol lows: The executive committees of the senatorial, congressional and judicial districts, respectively, shall at the call of their respective chairmen, meet at the same time and place in their respective districts, designated in said call And it shall be their duty to appoint the time and place for holding conventions in their respective districts. And the chairmen of said respective committees shall immediately notify the chairmen of the different county executive committees of said sppointment. And the said county executive committees shall forthwith call conventions of their respective counties in conformity to said notice to send delegates to said respective district conventions So the congressional convention is not called by the chairman (as is supposed by some) but by the committee. Will the gentlemen of the committee let us know when and where the convention will be

SEVENTH DISTRICT-JUDGE GILMER. Cumberland+-July 26, 1 week. Cumberlandt-November 8, 1 week. Cumberland*-November 15. weeks.

Columbus-August 2, 1 week. Moore-August 16, 2 weeks. Moere-December 6, 2 weeks. Robeson-August 30, 2 weeks. Robeson -October 11, 2 weeks Anson+-September 13, 1 week. Anson*-November 29, 1 week. Brunswick-September 20, 1 week. Richmond-September 27, 2 weeks. Richmond-December 20, 1 week. Bladen-October 25 2 weeks. EIGHTH DISTRICT-JUDGE BOYKIN

Iredell-August 9, 2 weeks. Iredell-November 8, 2 weeks. Rowan-August 24, 2 weeks. Rowan-November 22, 2 weeks. Davidson-September 6, 2 weeks. Davidson-December 6, 1 week. Randolph-September 20, 2 weeks. Montgomery-October 4, 2 weeks. Stanly-October 18, 2 weeks. Cabarrus -November 1, 1 week. NINTH DISTRICT-JUDGE MACRAN.

Rockingham-July 26, 2 weeks Rockingham-November 8, 1 week. Stokes-August 9, 2 weeks. Stokes-November 15, 1 week. Surry-August 23, 2 weeks. Surry-November 22, 1 week. Alleghany-September 6, 1 week. Wilkes-September 13, 2 weeks. Yadkin-September 27, 2 weeks Davie-October 11, 2 weeks. Forsyth-October 25, 2 weeks. TENTH D.: TRICT-JUDGE MONTGOMERY. Henderson-July 19, 3 weeks. Burke-August 9, 2 weeks. Ashe-August 23, 1 wcek Watauga-July 30-1 week. ('aldwell-September 6, 1 week. Mitchell-September 13, 2 weeks Yancey-September 27, 2 weeks. . McDowell-October 11, 2 weeks. ELEVENTH DISTRICT - JUDGE GRAVES. Alexander-July 26, 1 week. Catawha--August 2, 1 week. Cleaveland-August 9, 2 weeks. Cleveland-October 25, 1 week. Mecklenburg*-August 30, 3 weeks. Uniou+-September 20, 2 weeks. Lincoln-October 4, 1 week. Gaston-October 11, 2 weeks. Kutherford-November 1, 2 weeks. Polk--November 15, 1 week. TWELFTH DISTRICT-JUDGE AVERY. Madison--August 2, 2 woeks. Madison*-August 22, 2 weeks. Buncombe-August 16, 3 weeks. Buncombe-Dccember 6, 2 wecks. Transylvania-September 6, 1 week. Haywood-September 13, 2 weeks. Jackson-September 27, 1 week. Macon-October 4, 1 week. Clay-October 11, 1 week. Cherokee-October 18, 2 weeks. Graham-November 1, 1 week. Swain-November 8, 2 weeks. *Civil actions only.

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