RALEIGH, N. C., SATURDAY MORNING, JUNE 7, 1879.

## THE SILVER BILL.

STATEMENT MADE AS TO THE COMMITTEE'S ACTION. The Spofford-Kellogg Casse---John-

son's Affidavit Questioned...

No Decision.

WASHINGTON, June 6 .- SENATE .senator Coke asked Senator Bayard, chairman of the Finance Committe, action had been taken on the Warner silver bill? He had understood that the committee had agreed to postpone its consideration until December. Senator Bayard did not feel authorized to say what had taken place in committee, He would only say that no member albeen instructed to report on the bill. Senator Coke then said his sense of duty led him to offer a resolution to discharge the committee from further consideration of the bill, and to declare the bull before the Senate for action. Senators Edmunds, White and others objected and the resolution went over. Sena or Edmunds resumed remarks on the bill to repeal section 801, 820 and Sal revised statutes.

## The Warner Silver Bill in Committee.

WASHINGTON, June 6. - The Senate Committee on Finance held a special meeting to-day for the purpose of deciding whether the Warner silver but should be taken up for action during the present session. The motion benuing at adjournment of last meeting was the one submitten by Senator Voorhees, that the committee proceed to the consugeration of this measure. Senator Morrill to-day moved to amend this motion by adding, and for the purpose of having time for its full consideration further action thereon shall be postponed until the first Monday in December next. This amendment was adopted by the tollowing vote. Ayes, Bayard, Kernan, Ferry and Allison. Noes, Leck, Voorbees and Jones, of Nevada. Morrill was paired with Wallace, the latter if present would have voted no. The motion as thus amended was then adopted by the same vote, and the whole subject was hard aside accord-

The Spotford-Kellogg ( nac Washington, June 6.- The Senate Committee on Privileges and Elections variable in Spottord-Kenings invest galion. Judge Merrick, counsel for Spofford, offered in evidence an affidavit of Jus. J. Johnson which was ready vesterday, the purpose being to im peach the credibility of Johnson's oral denials of the truth of its contents, and also to lay the foundation for proof which Judge Merrick said he would hereafter adduce to show that Johnson since making affidavit has been subjected to influences contemplating intimidation. After long discussion between the counsel in regard to admiting the affidavit, it was decided that the counsel shound submit to the committee legal authorities on which they reised and the subject left for decision

### COLQUITT AND TALMAGE. What the Governor Thinks of the

While Governor Colquitt was in New York he went to hear Talmage preach, and as is the case with every one else, he fell in love with the Brook! n preacher. In a conversation with some gentlemen in his office, the Governor

"I cannot see why he is charged with being sensational. I saw nothing of it -no trace of it in the sermon I heard him preach. The sentiment was the old-fashioned sentiment that was through the gospel, and the words even old Anglo-Saxon all the way through. The delivery was not at all objectionable. He showed much less action many preachers that I know of at home, and I like it. He is misrepresented by the papers. For instance the World said the other day, "Mr. Talmage went through a regular cavalry exercise. Now, the truth is, he was describing the execution of Saul-and he said, "There was one sweep of the sword" a sweep of the arm directing the curve of the sword, and a pause with the eyes turned toward the sky-"and Saul was sitting at a banquet in Heaven" I thought the gesture and the action accompanying it were very impressive. never heard a better sermon -one that was a complete gospel sermon -or futier of good old lasmoned religious

"Isn't there a great deal of estentation and display in his services?" None at all. They are plainer than in the majority of our home churches. There is no choir and no operatic airs. Everybody sings and they seem to enjoy it. On the platform is a grand organ and a cornet player. As Talmage moves his hand the congregation rises, and this man leads the singing with his cornet. It is necessary no human voice could lead that vast crowd, and were certainly old-fas.tioned enough: the first was "How Firm a Foundation, ye Saints of the Lord," the second was "Jesus, Lover of My Soul," and the third was "Rock of Ages Cleft for Me." I never heard such music. It was simply grand. I do not know when I have heard so impressive a sermon. I sat there with my lips quivering all the time. A lady who was with me said she never went to Talmage's church without crying. After I had heard the sermon I could understand why it was that Talmage had such a hold upon his people. They love him very heartily, and his tabernacle is full Sunday morning and night. He is a great preacher, and I think he is a good man and zealous Christian. I am glad that I heard him. It was a rare treat to me. and it completely changed my opinion of Talmage. I had always misjudged him before.

# The Eruption of Mt. Etna.

The recent eruptions of Mt. Etna threaten disastrous consequences to the villages in its immediate proximity. Already four new craters have been opened, and the towns of Randazzo, Biancarilla, Castiglione and Pielmarte | Statesville Landmark. are seriously threatened. Mt. Etna. from its base to the top of its cone, is over ten thousand feet in height, and upon its slopes and around its base. within an a ca of 500 square miles, are grouped some forty towns and villages. with an aggregate population of nearly 300,000. The bed of the river Aleantara, which for many miles skirts the base of Etna, is alre d in part covered by lava, and if the ecuptions continue great loss of property and probably of life must follow. The village of Majo has been abandoned by its terror-stricken inhabitants, at d many large and valuable estates in its vicinity have been utterly destroyed by tides of burning lava that have swept over them in the last few days. The emptions still continue in unabated force, at d there is imminent danger that the most fertile portions of the island of Scly will be deluged by the all-conpouring down the sides of the mountain from a half dozen mouths. The tress, when my drink is ready, she strike Collegiate Department, including one last eruption was in 1865, when the upon the bell."

pent-up fires burst forth at Monle onmento, about 6,500 feet above the level of the sea. The present one promises to be much more extended and destructive.

# "PULL DOWN THE BLINDS."

Comic Aspec s of Highway Robbery Mexican correspondence of the New York

Grapule.

Highway robberies are not quite as e quent lately as in former days, but one occurred near Zucatoes about a fortnight since that was of rather a serio-comic hature. One bright morning when the diligence was driven up to the hotel the loiterers (to whom is arrival was the event of the day), the market women and housewives of the vicinity were surprised to see all the green silk shades dropped over the glass part of the doors. As Boniface emerged from the hotel he called out to the driver, "No passengers to-day; John entered only one word: "Robbed. "were all murdered?" queried one of the bystanders, "Maria Purissima pr. y for them," ejacu ated one of the Woman, and several crossed themselves, nurmuring prayers for the unfortunates. John looked at the landlord and pointed my: te jously to the door of the coach Mine host approached, opened it. seemed to parley with two or three cursing, growling individuals, then turning to the crowd smilingly advised the women to withdraw. His manner only increased the feminine curiosity, so wives and maidens determined to stand their ground and learn the denouement of the affair. Again the landford put his head in the coach, and after a few seconds of apparent consulsulta: o shut the door and shouted to his wife, who was anxiously leaning out of an upper window, "Send down four blankets or some kind of covering." In a few minutes a waiter appeared bringing some sheets. Tableau: Four gentlemen maje-meally draped in white emerge from the stage-coach, the women fly in all directions blushing, wondering and chattering. It appears the travelers had encoun

### The Great Cyclone in Missonri.

tered two squas of bandits; the first

ing no speal whatever, forced the pas-

sengers to alight and took every article

of their clothing, not leaving them their

clothes, hence their arrival in naturali-

rubbed them of their money and bag-

gage; the second, disappointed at find

Chicago Times A son of J. H. Warden was carried remark the air a distance of one hun dred vards, and when consciousness returned he found himself in a small stream. While going through the air he saw his small brother still higher than himself, and it is suppose the most have been thrown still further, but when found after the disaster he was returning to the house, which was nothing but a mass of deoris. In falling he was impaled on a stock of broken furniture that penetrated to a depth of two and one-h. If inches into his thigh, inflicting a painful but not dangerous wound. The other members of the family were not seriously injured. The house in which Mr. Black lived was blown down, but the inmates were not severely injured. The only instance in which instant death occurred was in the family of Lie Harris, who lives about half a mole southeast of Blue Springs an I about nine miles northeast of this place. They saw the evelone approaching and fled for safety to a stable near by. Mr. Harris and one child were instantly killed and Mr. Harris and another child died during the night. Several houses further on were destroyed, but the Times correspondent commot executain that there has been any other o vof lite or dangerous vounds. The exclone swept in a nearly direct northeasterly course and extended

FIFTEEN MILES IN LENGTH. Its width is variously estinated, and the truth seems to be that the part which created such awful havoe could not have exceeded five hundred feet in width. It was strong enough, however, one half mile wide to blow down fences, outbuildings, or anything else that was not very firm on its foundation. Every thing that the central portion came in contact with was either destroyed or scattered promiscuously. Large trees were uprooted, roots, dirt and all, and were carried hundreds of feet. As an evidence of its terrible force it laid a stone tence level with the ground, and in some cases throwing stones of one and one and a half cubic feet a distance of two hundred feet. The persons who were caught by it were in nearly all cases stripped of their clothing, and were so completely besineared with mud that | end of each month a report will be sent other persons were unable to recognize them until they spoke.

Jealous South Carolina. Washington Post. A correspondent says: "In your issue of this morning you give the credit of setting on foot the plan by which Mount Vernon was purchased Mrs. Robert Cunningham and her daughter, Miss Pamela, of North Carolina. Miss Pamela Cunningham was of the third generation of a noted family of Laurens county, South Carolina, the cornet is hardly heard. The hymns, and I therefore ask you to make this correction in your next issue. Upon the principle that nothing good can come out of Nazareth, South Carolina it frequently deprived of the laurels she is entitled to wear. Half a century hence the Post may be brought in evidence to prove an alibi as to the birthplace of this estimable woman, as is done nowadays with similar squibs, to prove the natal locality of General Jackson, whose birth-place is unmistakably linked with the Waxhaw settlement of South Carolina, despite the efforts to credit the old North State with that home.

# Prohibition Carried.

to-day a very large vote was polled, and | for the literary address, whose remarks preh bition was carried in Gilmer were received with much appreciation. Township by ninety-four, and in More- He proved to be a very enthusiastic head Township by forty-one. In these speaker, bold in his assertions and two townships tireensboro is situated. | fully able to detend all he asserted. His This is the third time prohibition has carried here. Respectfully, W. S. MOORE.

# A Satirical Witness.

An amusing incident occurred at Mitchell Court the other day. A tidy looking little female witness was asked some unpleasant questions concerning her past walk and deportment; and as she left the stand and passed out through the bystanders, she remarked in an audible tone: "If there had never been any better looking men in this world than that old Judge a setting up there, and that little red-headed. Solicitor, I would have been a virtuous woman to-day." Mr. Adams looked grave, and Judge Graves looked adam or two.

"I have got so in the habit of being married by an Episcopal elergyman, that I really don't feel satisfied with any other kind, 'sai la frequent widow-

The Virginia bell-punch is foreshadowed in Shakespeare-wonderful man,

## AT THOMASVILLE.

FEMALE COLLEGE TWENTY-SEC-OND ANNUAL COMMENCEMENT. Rev. Dr. Pritchard, of Raleigh, Deliv-

ers the Sermon before the Graduating Class...The Programme.

Special to the News.

THOMASVILLE, June 4.—The twentysecond annual Commencement of this eminent institution of learning for young ladies concluded its exercises this evening.

The sermon before the graduating class was preached last night by Dr. T. H. Pritchard, of Raleigh, from the following text: "The words of the Lord are pure words; as silver tried in a furnace of earth, purified seven times." Psalms xii: 6.) The discourse has been the subject of much comment, and is regarded as a most remarkable production, which, for sublimity of thought, elegance of expression, ability and learning,

## HAS NEVER BEEN SURPASSED

in this country. His defense of the truth and purity of the Christian religion was certainly grand, while his wholesome advice, admonitions and pathetic appeals were beautiful in the

The regular exercises of to-day in the College Hall were ushered in under more than tavorable circumstances. It had rained just enough during the night to lay the dust, and the morning dawned under a bright clear sky, so that all nature seemed refreshed and in perfect harmony with the array of leaith and beauty that graced the occasion. Before 10 o'clock A. M. the beautiful groves surrounding the College were completely packed with carriages and buggies, indicating the local interest manifested in the institution. The a tendance of the friends and kindred of those young ladies residing in adining States was large, and the halls at the College were uncomfortably rowded, while large numbers were unable to get in.

The exercises opened by prayer from Dr. Pritchard, and the introduction of the following programme: Anthem-"Make a joyful noise unto

the Lord." Salutatory, by Miss Ida S. Thompson, Vocal Duet - "Mai-Moren. Misses Reinhart and Beckwith. Distinctions Awarded, Delivery of School Diplomas. Vocal Trio - "O Come to the Sea, Misses Reinhart, Corbett and Beckwith. Literary Address, Dr. v. B. Brown, of Pittsylvania county, Virginia." Music-"Teach me thy way, "Is Life an Empty Dream, Miss M. L. Clinard. Essay-Light is breaking o'er the Hills," Miss S. L. Corbett, Essay - "Scatter the germs of the Beautiful," Miss N. B. Mea o.vs, Trio-"The Reapers." Belles-Lettics Diplomas Conferred: Miss Mary L. Chuard, of Abbott's Creek, X. C.; Miss Serena L. Corbett, of Sampson county, N.C.; Miss Nannie B. Meadows, of Granville county, N. C.; Miss Eugenia C. Fite, of Thomasville, N. C.; Miss Nevada J. Spurgin, of Abbott's Creek, N. C. Full Diplomas Conferred. Miss Alice T. Beckwith, of Wake couny, N. C.; Miss Ida S. Thompson, of Forestyme, N. C. Valedictory, Miss A. T. Beckwith. Authem. Benedic-

The anthem, "Make a joyful noise unto the Lord," ranking as one of Emerson's finest master-pieces, was a most fitting prelude to the able Salutatory by Miss Ida S. Thompson, of Wake county, which fer beauty, strength and gracefulness, reflected much credit upon the young lady as possessing a

well-cultivated and superior mind. Following as nearly as possible the order of the exercises, we desire to say a word in relation to the manner of the distinctions awarded, delivery school diplomas," etc. Prot. 11. W. Reinhart, President of the College, being a graduate of the University of Virginia, and having almost twen y-ive years' experience in the education of youth, appreciating the importance of the development of a system that would enable him to produce the most

THOROUGH AND ACCOMPLISHED SCHOL-ARS.

has adopted a code of rules that creates and inspires within the pupil an ambition to excel in all the departments. Young ladies upon entering the College are impressed with the fact that at the to their parent or guardian, setting forth her general conduct, standing in her class, and comparative rank in her department. Then at, or before the close of the term, or upon the completion of any particular study, a written examination is had, reviewing the whole course of the ground gone over, which is valued, and the successful attainment of the three-fourths of this valuation with a sessional average of nine-tenths, entitles the pupil to a "Certificate of Distinction." It will therefore be seen that the effort to obtain these distinctions is no ordinary one. The pride of the pupil is appealed to, and has never failed of proud results. We noticed the names of those who won these valuable prizes embraced almost every pupil in t e College, quite a number having obtained them on from three to seven branches. The school diplomas are awarded to those who deserve certificates upon any branch of the senior class, without obtaining in the full course. It seemed to us that Prof. Reinhart had about one hundred of these certificates and diplomas to conthey were received.

fer, which were as cheerfully given as After the rendition of "O come to the Sea" by the Misses Reinhart, Corbett and Beckwith, young ladies of rare attainments, in a few eloquent words Dr Pritchard introduced to the audience GREENSBORO, June 7. - At the election | Dr. A. B. Brown, of Virginia, booked theme was not so much on the subject of education as upon general usefulness; though he did assert that there was no such thing as female education. He said it was general education; that a full and complete education was as useful to a woman as to a man. And we believe he proved it to be more so, even in this, that in nine cases out of ten she

proved to be THE BEST MAN OF THE TWO ;

that in one flash of her intelligent eye, by intuition, she reached a conclusion which it required man days, months and years to arrive at. That when the husband got there he found the wife waiting. Upon the whole the address was worthy the occasion, and will be

remembered. The essays by the Belles Lettres graduates were finely written, and read with a confidence and clearness attained only from diligent study. The parents of those young ladies may well feel proud of their accomplishments.

The Belle-Lettres Diplomas are conferred upon those graduating in five schools of the Collegiate department, and distinctions in the junior class of mathematics, or the equivalent. Graduation in the eight schools of the

ancient and one modern language, with

an original essay, entitles the pupil to a full diploma. The names of all those receiving cards of promotion, distinction or diplomas are read out publicly in the closing exercise. After the con-

ferring of these honors, the valedictory, by Miss A. T. Beckwith, of Wake county. A grand anthem and benediction closed the exercises of the day. Everything passed off smoothly and everybody was well pleased. The young ladies performed their parts with great ability-a complete demontration that the course of training under which they

had been taught was complete. It was our pleasure to examine the fine painting and works of art that decked the walls, and which we are proud to say are executed with a touch rarely ever seen. This department, drawing, pencil and crayon, and painting, oil and water colors, is under the supervision of the beautiful and accomplished Mrs. M. B. Reinhart. At 8 o'clock p. m. the College Hall was again filled with an appreciative

audience to listen to the closing entertainment. It was a well-arranged pregramme, and proved a decided success. The musical department of this institution has been conducted by Miss Ora Brewster, of Tenuessee, and Miss Minnie Reinhart, both sweet singers and exquisite performers. We should like very much to comment upon each of these performances but our space will not admit of such a detailed account as would do each of the young ladies justice. Suffice it to say, however, that every effort far exceeded the expecta-

tions of all friends. We cannot close this hastily written brief of the Thomasville Commencement ceremonies without bespeaking a word for the patronage and success of the school and its able corps of teachers. The next session will commence on the last Wednesday in August and continue for forty weeks. Young ladies desiring to receive a first-class education at one of the most popular aid worthy institutions in the South, a.e. requested to send at once for a catalogue. and make their arrangements to be present on the first day of the session.

#### The Grissom Report Again. Correspondence of the News,

GRAHAM, Alamance Co., June 3.-1 have lately seen and read Dr. Grissom's report to the Directors of the Asylum. I was not a member of the legislature that passed the bill of which he complains, and am not writing for the purpose of defending the legislature against the grave charge of decreeing the ruin of the Asylum, but as a private citizen I desire to say a few words in relation that extraordinary production. It has searcely been my lot to read an effusion containing more pathos and gush. One would suppose, from reading the report, that of all men Dr. Grissom was the least selfish, and that every tender emotion of his nature had been stirred in contemplation of the sad fate which is about to overtake the poor unfortunate inmates of the Asylum. What I wish to know is this: If the Dr. is sincere in his profession of sympathy for the patients in the Asylum, how did it happen that he used his influence to have Dr. Criven employed by the Board without authority of law? And why was it that he was so loath to give him up? These questions will be considered pertinent when it is known that Dr. Craven, although a worthy young man, was without any reputation as a physician in his neighborhood, and that he was one of the few who failed to pass a satisfactory examination before the State Board at Greensboro.

Either Dr. Grissom knew, or did not know, that he was incompetent. If he did not know it, surely he and the distinguished President of the Board could have ascertained the fact if they had been as anxious for the welfare of the "poor fluttering dove, &c.," as they profess to be. If he did not know it, as many believe he did, why did he go before the Committee on Retrenchment and Reform and solemnly swear that he was as competent as any man of his age and experience.

I would like also to knew how much of the scanty appropriation, as he calls it, has been directed from its proper and legitimate object, the support of the insane, to print and circulate this report? I would like to know how much of the Doctor's bad feeling toward the legislature was annexed by their reduction of his salary? After reading this touching and highly-wrought production and then looking at his conduct, I am forced to the conclusion that his great and high-sounding expressions of sympathy for " yonder lovely girl, etc," is certainly destitute of a very important element, sincerity.

# TAX-PAYER.

Two Expressions of Opinion. The President, Tuesday, nominated for a vacancy on the United States Circuit bench, Hon. George W. McCrary, of Iowa. The nominee has rare judicial ability, and in an eminent degree possess the qualifications required for the place. And yet the Washington Post demands his rejection by the Democratic Senate on the ground that "the time has come to give the enemies of freedom and a free ballot the knife and the cord." So the cause of "concilia-

tion" proceeds.—Philadelphia Press. There is no conciliation about it. That has ceased long ago on both sides, and most certainly with the Democracy. Fighting, as they are, the people's fight in Congress against the revolutionary Radicals, they would betray their trust if the vallowed themselves to temporize. No; the war is to the knife, as we announced before. The Radicals brought the trouble upon themselves and should be the last to complain. There can be no compromise between the friends and foes of constitutional liberty. As far as Mr. McCrary is concerned he has conclusively shown himself to be, regardless of what legal acumen he may be possessed of, an unfit and dangerous person for a place of high judicial authority, and his appointment a Democratic Senate will never confirm. His nomination in itself was such a piece of sublime insolence, as none but a fraudulent President could be guilty of .-Washington Post.

# COMICALITIES.

A cawtious bird-The crow. Done with the pen-A dead pig. A cool thousand-Half a ton of ice. A swimming school-A shoal of fish. Russia's choice-Aut Cæsar aut Nihili.

Difficult to real eyes-Artificial op-Sewer-side is the under drain of soci-Perpetual motion has at last been ac-

complished. Indianapolis has a female sexton and now one belle tolls the other .- Waterloo Observer. Like the down on a peach is the cheek of his Julia, and there is a little fuzz on his face, too, but he calls it side whis-

kers. - New Haven Register. Frank Stone was married the other day to Fannie Robinsparrow. Only another case of killing two birds with one stone.-Philadelphia Item.

When children get a few cents they generally spend them for cay. When they get older they learn to save their money to buy a & of 1& .- Newburyport Herald.

The New York belles are buying cheese cloth for morning dresses, to skipper 'round in at the seaside.-Der-

# THE CLOSING SCENES.

QUIET REIGNS AT THE UNIVERSI-TY ONCE MORE. The Old Hall Thronged with Beauty and Fashion---The Ball--Gra-

ding of Students Correspondence of the News.

CHAPEL HILL, June 5 .- The commencement of 1879 closed to-night with a round of festivities, two rounds The spacious room in Library Hall is

literally filled with beautiful ladies magnificently dressed and handsome men-all making the most of the enjoyment which the grand dress ball can afford. Library Hall is most tastefully deco-

rated, well ventilated, the music being excellent and the dancers eager for fun that is no reason why this shall not prove it to be the most pleasant and enjoyable occasion ever known at the University.

There are those among the students and visitors who do not dance, and they are enjoying themselves in the campus, having made complete arrangements for a lawn party. The campus is brilliantly and tastefully lighted with scores of transparencies and Chinese lanterns and presents a beautiful and

picturesque scene. A music stand near the Caldwell Monument is occupied by the Salem band and they are adding enjoyment to the occasion by that splendid music which it is so competent to make.

THE BALL. About 10 o'clock the fair ones accompanied by their gallants began to flock to the ball room and soon the Library building presented an animated scene of female loveliness and magnificent costumes which has rarely if ever been equaled at Chapel Hill. It would perhaps please some readers were we to give an elaborate and particularized report of the costumes of ladies, but many have expressed a desire that such a report be not made, and this writer takes no stock in that peculiar and in many instances offensive characteristic

of modern journalism; hence we pass. Among the Raleigh belles whose presence added luster to the brilliant scene we noticed Miss Maggie Fowle, Miss Bettie Haywood, Miss Mary Devereux, Miss Eliza McKee, Miss Mattie Mordecai, Miss Fowle, Miss Del Bryan, Miss Pattie Mordecai, Miss Bessie Grimes, Miss Mamie Lewis, Miss Sadie Cannon, Miss Ella Andrews and Miss Orivia Cowper.

The festivities were kept up until nearly day-none seeming to tire of the almost ceaseless dancing, and we doubt not the grand ball of Comencement of 1879 will even occupy a prominent place among the pleasant memories of ail who participated.

THE LAWN PARTY.

At an earlier hour the campus was alive with strolling couples who promenaded about in a careless manner and conversed pleasantly on various topics, listened to the sweet strains emanating from the music stand, and in a variety of ways enjoyed themselves equally as much perhaps as did those who were whirling and crossing back and forth and swinging corners in the ball-room. Refreshments were served in the the dining hall of the University Hotel at 12 o'clock, and shortly there-

after the campus was deserted and the lawn party was no more. Thus did festivity close Commencement week of 1879 at the University. Subjoined is the grading of the stu-

COLLEGE OF PHILOSOPHY. School of Constitutional and International Law.-K. P. Battle, Jr., R. Winston, 90; Forbis, James Manning, Peele, 5; next in order are Daniels, John Manning, F. Winston, Murphy, R. Pell, Kent, McNeill, Noble, Erwin, Hender-

School of Moral Philosophy, - James Manning, R. Winston, F. Winston, R. Strange, R. Pell, John Manning, Peele, Daniels, K. P. Battle, Jr., Henry, Kent, Taylor, Springs, Crozts, Maynard.

English Literature .- James Manning, R. Pell, R. Winston, R. Strange, F. Winston, Taylor, Henry, John Manning, K. P. Battle, Jr., W. L. Hill,

COLLEGE OF MATREMATICS.

Astronomy. - James Manning, R. Strange. 3d Year Mathematics. - E. Haywood, T. Battle. 2 Year Mathematics .- H. B. Battle, L. H. Walker, J. A. Melver, Poe, Dancy, Ransom. 1st Year Mathematics, -- Schulken, Rodman. Scientific Mathematics. - Heitman,

COLLEGE OF LITERATURE. School of Greek, 3d Year. - Bryan, Grandy, Skinner,90. 2d Year.-C. D. McIver, 94; J. Mc-

McIver, McLeod, 93; Haywood, Win-School of Latin, 3d Year,-C. L. Walk, er, Dancy, C. D. Melver, J. A. McIver, Walker, Thomas, Stewart,

1st Year .- Patterson, Grandy, Albertson, Murphy, James Joyner, Hil-Scientific Latin .- McLean, Schulken, Heitman, Nixon. School of French.-Brooks, A. Phil-

lips, Brady, Haywood, 94; T. Battle, 92; Stokes, Strange, 90. School of German, 2d Year .- James Manning, K. P. Battle, Jr., J. M.

Manning, F. D. Winston. 1st Year German .- A. L. Phillips, Ransom, Brooks, Albertson, Noble, School of History. - Jackson, Grandy, Skinner, E. Alderman, Cunningham,

May hew. School of Rhetoric .- R. Pell, A. Phillips, Slade, T. Pa'tle, Hayword, E. Pell, Murphy, Brooks, Cable, Holt, Brady, COLLEGE OF NATIONAL SCIENCE.

School of Physiology. - Dancy, Harris, Hines, 99; Holt, Leach, C. D. McIver, J. A. McIver, Mial, 98; McLeod, Stewart, L. H. Walker, Winborne, Cline, Farrar, Gunter, Henry, Rouse, J. H. Ruffin, Stedman, J. P. Joyner, W. F. Phillips, Rumbough, F. D. Winston, J. C. Winston, W. J. Adams, C. D. Hill, J. Y. Joyner, Nixon, Thomas, Whit-

School of Botany.—Dancy, Harris, Hines, Holt, C. D. McIver, J. A. Mc-Iver, L. H. Walker, John, R. McRae, Mial, Slade, Greenlee, J. M. Walker, C. D. Hill, Rouse, J. H. Ruflin, Nixon, Thomas, W. J. Adams, McLeod, Winborne.

SCHOOL OF CHEMISTRY. Theoretical Chemistry .- R. Ransom, Craig, Slade, Bunker. Laboratory Chemistry.—Ransom, Craig, Slade, Sharpe.

Applied Chemistry .-- Bonner, H. Bat-School of Physic.-T. Bat le, Noble, Craig, Brooks, Coble.

In an out of-the-way town in New a ned Greeley-an own cousin of the county.

#### lamented Horace, by the way-who found his cellar stairs hard to climb on account of the height of the steps. After careful consideration he hit upon the device of nailing a piece of two-inch plank on each, in order, as he said, to

ROYAL ABCH MASONS. The Annual Convocation-The Offi-

'bring 'em nearer together," and he

contended that he noticed "a leetle tetch

of improvement."-Boston Transcript.

cers for the Ensuing Year. By our Special Reporter,

The Grand Chapter of Royal Arch Masons in this State held its Annual Convention in Durham during the present week. Colonel Charles W. Alexander, of Charlotte, presided as Grand High Priest.

We learn that legislation was had looking to the revisal of the subordinate chapters which had, for several years, been dormant or extinct. This was done with a view to increase the prosperity of this branch of the order in the State. Other important business was transacted.

vear are as follows:

C. M. Van Orsdell, Wilmington, Grand High Prie t.

Wm. T. Blackwell, Durham, Deputy Frand High Priest. Samuel H. Smith, Winston, Grand

Thomas Daniels, New Berne, Grand John Nichols, Raleigh, Grand Treas-

D. W. Bain, Raleigh, Grand Secre-Rev. Theodore Whitfield, Charlotte, Grand Chaplain,

E. H. Greene, Charlotte, Grand Captain of the Host. Appointments were made by the Grand High Priest as follows: James C. Munds, Wilmington, Grand Principal Sojourner.

Royal Arch Captain. W. L. Wall, Durham, Grand Master, James Miller, Charlotte, Grand Master, 2d Vail.

Isaac Patterson, New Berne, Grand

S. D. Wait, Raleigh, Grand Master, lst Vail. H. W. Peele, Wilson, Grand Tiler. The time of the Annual Convocations was changed from the first Tuesday in une to the Tuesday next preceding the first Monday in June. The next

The Grand Council of Royal and Select Masters held its Annual Assembly on Wednesday at same place. The following are the officers for the

Annual Convocation will be held in

S E Allen, Winston-Most Ill. Grand Master. J I Macks, Wilmington-Dep. Ill. Grand Master. M Grausman, Raleigh-Grand Prin,

Con. of Work. John Nichols, Raleigh-Grand Treas-D W Bain, Raleigh-Grand Recorder.

J C Munds, Wilmington-Gr. Capt. of Guard. H H Munson, Wilmington-Gr. Con.

of Council. J M Rosenbaum, Raleigh-Grand The delegates and visiting Masons to the Grand Chapter and Grand Council were magnificently entertained during their sojourn in Durham, by the wellknown firm, W. T. Blackwell & Co., manufacturers of the celebrated b and, 'Durham Bull Smoking Tobacco.' The junior member of the firm, Mr. J. S. Carr, was absent, and the pleasant duty of entertaining the distinguished guests devolved solely on Col. Blackwell, and nobly did he dispense the hospitalities of the occasion in a style and manner commensurate with the well-known and long-recognized liberality of this celebrated firm, whose enterprise exerted in building up and developing one of the leading industries of the old North State has reflected

credit on North Carolina, and placed

themselves in the front rank of recog-

nized manufacturing princes of Amer-Or. Thursday morning at 6 o'clock a procession of thirteen four-horse spring wagons appeared in front of the hotel, to convey the guests to Chapel Hill to witness the closing Commencement exercises of the University, and to partake of a barbecue, prepared by Blackwell & Co., on the grounds of the campus. The horses were richly caparisoned, and all wore handsome covers, and each had a flag attached to the head, on which was electrotyped on each side the Bull, the trade-mark of the firm .-In each wagon were two banners, white field, red borders; in the center a large painted bull with the words, Smoke Blackwell's Durham Smoking Tobacco." These costly trappings were prepared in Baltimore at considerable cost, expressly for the occasion. Soon the delegates were comfortably seated, and the procession proceeded to the University. Near Chapel Hill the procession was met by the Salem Silver Cornet Band, which accompanied the procession, dispensing music, each person smoking the "Bull" brand of tobacco in long-stem pipes; marched up Main street south of the University thene through the rear street to the south gate; passed into the campus at this point and proceeded through the beautiful drives of the grounds, attracting universal attention, and, stopping near the new West Building, the guests alighted and visited the buildings, etc.

Reneath the oaks in front of the west building there were three long tables prepared, on which the tempting eatables and drinkables were placed, to which a general invitation was cordially extended by Colonel Blackwell, to the visitors at the University, to join his Masonic friends in partaking of the rich, beautiful and varied repast. The invitation was generally accepted, and eating and drinking continued until 4 when all voted Colonel Blackwell, the man of the occasion, and his entertainment by far the most attractive and gorgeous feature of Com-

mencement week. The procession returned to Durham at 8:45 p. m., without accidents, nothing occurring to mar the enjoyment of the

party. Ancient and Modern Statesmen.

Chicago 'ribune. A certain eminent statesman of the past lives in history as the man who would sooner be right than be President. Mr. Thomas A. Hendricks declares frankly that he would sooner be

lest than be Vice-President. The Finale of the Grant Beom. Atlanta Constitution. Grant's boom has finally settled

down into a bum.

It is related in the Dalton (Ga.) Citizen that a Catoosa county man came upon a snake in the road one day last week, which he struck with a stick, when immediately thereafter one hundred and twenty-eight infant snakes were found lying around loose on the ground. Where they came from is not definitely known; but that the lick produced that many little snakes is vouched for by the man who struck the blow, and he

## TEXTS FROM TEXAS.

A FEW NOTES FROM A RALEIGH BOY IN TEXAS.

Young Gentleman who is Well Known in this city gives an Account of Himself.

Correspondence of the News.

SAN ANTONIA, Texas, May 27th .-I have often told you in our conversations with regard to the movements of the men on the fish work, they never know where they will next be ordered.

I had just reported at Washington from two long trips to Mississippi and Arkansas where Sherman and myself were ordered to this point with ffsh for the waters of the Neches, San Bernard, Cibillo and San Antonia, We come by the way of Cincinnati, St. Louis, Little Rock and Houston. Our trip in every respect was a very decided success. While in St. Louis I met McP .. the statistician of Martin street. We exchanged but few words. He told me of the Flemming-Blake stabbing affair. The officers elect for the ensuing | The sudden leaving of my train terminated our conversation. He was just making an explanation of the occurrence and this sudden interruption rendered it very unsatisfactory.

As we passed through Marshall, Tex.,

we witnessed one of the FEARFUL SHOOTING SCRAPES so noted in this section. A widow Allen was engaged to a railroad engineer of the Galveston, Harrisburg & San Antonia Road; arrangements for the marriage ceremony had been perfected, and he had gone over to her house for his bride when Engel, her brother, a desperado of the blackest type, met him at the door with a double barrel shot gun and opened fire. The engineer after a short but decisive struggle wrenched the gun from him and fired the remaining barrel, missing Engel and loading a boy near by with shot. Failing to hit the villain who attempted so untimely an interruption of the pleasures of a honeymoon, he drew rom his pocket a navy-six and emptied

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into his body right in the presence o fifteen or twenty passengers. This is the point, you recollect, where Benjamin Porter, the actor, was killed sometime ago in attempting to defend

the purity of sone celebrated actress. You know we hear a great deal about people going armed in Texas, at home. but I had no idea of the extent of the habit until I visited San Antonia. The conductors on the railroads swing two big navy-sixes, and the express messengers, baggage men and mail agents actually wear from one to two buckled around their waist outside of their coats. They actually look, to a down easter,

like a walking arsenal. San Antonia is one of the oldest and most beautiful cities of Texas. It is situated two hundred and sixty-three miles west of Houston in the great cattle and sheep raising portion of the State and possesses probably more interest for the traveler than any city in the great West. She is, strictly speaking, a cosmopolitan town. Here

you find almost every TYPE OF CIVILIZED MANKIND, and one whose aim in life is the study of human nature can find no fairer field

One of the most notable features of the town is the exclusive use of granite in the erection of buildings therein. whether private residences or storeiouses-you find nothing but storehouses there, with a very few exceptions, and the latter have been erected

in the last year. By the way, when I got there I regstered from Raleigh, N. C. In less than a half an hour I had a very gentlemanly fellow to come up and introduce himself to me as Lee Hall, from Greensboro, N. C., a son of Dr. Hall, of

We were pretty soon as intimate as though we had known each other for years, and he showed me the whole thing. We first went to the San Antonio Springs, the origin of the beautiful San Antonio river, whose moss-covered banks and limpid waters add so greatly to the beauty of the city as it courses its way through its very heart from thence to the San Pedro springs and parks whose beauty beggars description.

At the solicitation of Hall I went down with him to see the

GAMBLING HELLS OF SAN ANTONIA, There you find the genuine Mexican monte, faro, echino, and all kind of games of short cards. I have seen considerable gambling, but this beats anything I've ever seen. You see twin y or mirty buffalo hunters, as many Americans, sixty or eighty Mexicans, twenty or thirty greasers, four or five Chinamen and a few negroes, intently watching the run of the cards as they lay down dollar after dollar, first winning, then losing.

roll down stacks of Mexican dollars, halves and quarters. These dens are exceedingly filthy, and the atmosphere is just LADEN WITH OATHS AND CURSES in every conceivable tongue, and emanate from the worst looking speci-

They play no chips here, they just

mens of the human family you ever I will now tell you about Hall; he is the leader of the Texas Rangers, and has been for four years. He has the biggest reputation in Western Texas, and the mention of his name on the frontier is a guarantee of protection to

the outer colonies. I never met a cleverer gentleman in my life, and he made my stay exceedingly pleasant. He carried and introduced me to all

the United States officers, and from them I gained this information. He says he knows Tuck Badger well. This Ed. is the same Red Hall of whom so many sketches were written in Scribner's Monthly, I met some twenty or thirty soldiers here that were stationed in Raleigh.

I would write more but the train rocks so I can't. Love to all. An exchange says "women can't be Masons." They can't very well be hod

fellows either, unless they adopt a different style of dress .- Norristown Her-The Belcher Mine, in Nevada, will soon be 3,000 feet deep. Machinery at the bottom is worked by compressed

air, which is forced down through pires, and which also ventilate the mine. The Galveston News says the fact is admitted all around that immigration to Texas if not coming to an abrupt

close, is greatly on the wane. Immigration agents of the railroad are all discouraged. Real estate in Texas, has depreciated in value the last two years fully eight per cent.

The Knoxville Tribune says our exchanges report that the Colorado beetle is ravaging the potato crops in various portions of Middle and West Tennessee, as well as in this section, where the in-Hampshire lives an eccentric old farmer is one of the most reliable men in that sect appear in large numbers and is quite destructive.