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NEW YORK city has been invaded by Dowie and his adherents, who are trying to proselyte its inhabitants to their strange faith, and it is probable that there will be many thousand converts. So marvellous has been the success of Dowie at Chicago it will not be surprising if he makes converts in New York.

The career and success of Dowie has been truly wonderful. It has been only a few years since he appeared in Chicago and founded his new sect. He pretended to be the reincarnation of the Prophet Elijah and has complete control of his deluded followers. He has built a large city near Chicago called Zion City, which is inhabited exclusively by his followers and where his word is supreme law. In some respects it is a model city and worthy the emulation of other cities.

Dowie and several thousand of his followers travelled from Chicago to New York on special trains. He has rented Madison Square Garden as headquarters for three weeks at a cost of $1,000 a day. Every man is in uniform and carries a Bible in a belt. He will make a systematic house to house visit to every family in New York at least twice.

AMONG the distinguished non-resident natives of this State who attended the Greensboro Reunion last week, were three of prominent ability who have attained an enviable national reputation. We refer to Edwin A. Alderman, president of Tulane University, of New Orleans, Dr. Paul Barringer, chairman of the faculty of the University of Virginia, and Walter H. Page, the editor of "World's Work," the leading literary political in the United States. It was certainly a notable assemblage when three such men spoke from the same platform, and it was an unusual pleasure to hear such men speak on the same occasion.

Any State should be proud of being the birthplace of these men, and we only regret that they are not now residents of this State and giving their skill and their talents the benefit of their talents and leadership.

AT the annual meeting of the "Union Veteran Legion" at Dayton, Ohio, last week a resolution was adopted protesting against the placing of the statue of Gen. Robt. E. Lee in the Hall of Fame. The resolution declared that such an act would be an insult to the Union soldiers, both living and to the memory of soldiers dead.

The adoption of such a resolution betrays a spirit we had hoped was almost extinct among the most intelligent classes of mankind. Such a resolution will have its effect in checking the flow of kindness in the current of time and placing a stress in shutting Sherman's March.

[illegible] of the Greensboro [illegible] the reception and banquet given to the alumni of Trinity College by the Alumni Association of Guilford county.

About a [illegible] were present. Among them were the Governor, Chief Justice, the president of the University and two of living ex-presidents. Among the [illegible] alumni present was Judge A. A. Fitzgerald of Newington, graduated in 1862. It was quite an affecting force the meeting [illegible] him and one of his old [illegible] chums, Mr. John M. Mebane of Chatham, whom he had not seen since their graduation forty years ago.

THE acquittal of Haywood and Tillman is generally condemned by the press and public and has greatly shaken public confidence in the just administration of the law. While the acquittal of Tillman deserves more censure, yet North Carolinians do not feel in a position to censure that acquittal too severely, for "those who live in glass houses should not throw stones."

WARREN R. HENRY is [illegible] democratic party because it [illegible] him an office, and now he [illegible] because he is kicked out of the office the people gave him.

Washington Letter.

Washington, Oct. 15, 1903.

The presidential boom of William Randolph Hearst continues to grow. Representative Shafer of New York who has just arrived here, says, "North, South, East and West there has been a great deal of talk about Representative Hearst, and with good reason. He is in touch with the president-makers, the people everywhere. I know that there is a large number of practical politicians in New York State and elsewhere who think that with the New York State indorsement Mr. Hearst is the only man who can capture the democratic national convention. Mr. Hearst's large and valuable business interest would attract to him a good proportion of the independent vote and his popularity among the industrial classes in the East would mean his election. The reports from Georgia and elsewhere in the South of late show that Mr. Hearst is rapidly gaining strength."

On account of the Hearst boom in Georgia [illegible] the South it is not [illegible] but it is said that his friends are not working. This does not [illegible] ground. He has [illegible] best to have his other fellows [illegible] personal [illegible] Democrats [illegible] Democrats, Mr. Cleveland [illegible] Democrats [illegible] Democrats [illegible] Democrats