yet holds.

far ended his active political career.

REGISTER not publish some of them?

period of silver hair begins.

Mr. Steele is not an ambitious man, as

most men are ambitious. Yet he is not

without ambition. He desires, for instance,

Chatham's Educational Advance.

Pittsboro Home.

The progress Chatham county has made within the last four years in the advance-

Change the Suggestive Name! [Salisbury Watchman.]

more will send the place right forward.

Remarkable Woman.

On the Safe Side.

[From the Philadelphia Call.]

First Western desperado-"Well, did you

Second desperado-" Yes, I fotched

"Certainly not. In this section they

will hang a man for stealing a horse."

"But where is his horse?"

"Did not take the horse?"

"I did not touch that."

Let me hide myself in Thee." Felt her soul no need to hide: Sweet the song as song could be And she had no thought beside. All the words unheedingly Fell from lips untouched by care Dreaming not they each might be On some other lips a prayer-Rock of Ages, cleft for me, Let me hide myself in Thee.'

Let me hide myself in Thee."

"Rock of Ages, cleft for me." 'Twas a woman sung them now, Sung them slow and wearily-Wan hand on her aching brow Rose the song as storm-tossed bird Beats with weary wing the air: Every note with sorrow stirred, Every syllable a prayer-"Rock of Ages, cleft for me, Let me hide myself in Thee.'

"Rock of Ages, cleft for me." Lips grown aged sung the hymn Trustingly and tenderly: Voice grown weak and eyes grown dim Let me hide myself in Thee. Trembling though the voice and low Ran the sweet strain peacefully Like a river in its flow. Sung as only they can sing

Who life's thorny paths have pressed; Sung as only they can sing Who behold the promised rest-"Rock of Ages, cleft for me, Let me hide myself in Thee.

"Rock of Ages, cleft for me." Sung above a coffin-lid; Underneath, all restfully, All life's joys and sorrows hid Nevermore, O storm-tossed soul! Nevermore from wind or tide Wilt thou ever need to hide. Could the sightless, sunken eyes, Closed beneath the soft gray hair: Could the mute and stiffened lips Move again in pleading prayer, Still, aye still, the words would be. "Let me hide myself in Thee."

## A BRIEF RECORD OF THE USEFUL A Public Man who also Finds Time tricts of the county were impracticable in for Practical Work, for Sport and for

Hon, WALTER L. STEELE, of Rockingham, is not only one of the most distin-guished citizens of the State, but also one uncomfortable; and among the people of the most fortunate in his distinction. there was not only wide spread lack of He has never suffered from an inflated rep- effort in behalf of the schools, but also utation. He has done much solid service | wide spread apathy concerning their sucas a private citizen and as a public servant, cess. The people had lost confidence in his has been magnified out of its proper among the teachers had gone down too proportion. Not a few valuable men suf- low and the value of the schools had fer great damage to themselves and to their diminished in proportion. The people usefulness by becoming the victims of pop- knew it. ular praise for a single deed or a single utterance, and ever afterward they are of qualifications for teachers has been prevented by this reputation from receiving credit for services quite as great, or even shapes of the school districts of the greater. Mr. STEELE, therefore, is pecuiarly fortunate in having what may be improved, old school houses have been called a uniform reputation. As a farmer, removated and made more commodious, as a politician, as a manufacturer, and as sites have been bought and new cona man, he has done his duty; and not venient and substantial school houses built merely that, but he has done it with unusual promptness and ability, and he has sentiment in a great measure revolution-

family Mr. STEELE comes of one of the is our judgment. early settlers of Jamestown, Virginia— whether through Pocahontas, he himself or his family Bible must tell. At any rate,

His young idea was taught to shoot by various teachers, distinguished or not, who have gone to rest under the sand. At the age of fifteen, he was sent over to Boydton, Virginia, the seat at that time of the venerable Randolph-Macon College, and entered the preparatory department under the charge of the venerable Solomon Lea, who now lives at Leasburg, in Caswell. In 1838, he entered the college regularly, but algebra, I think I have heard, was the direct or remote cause of the young man's departure. In 1839 he spent one session at Wake Forest College; and for what be-came of the algebra there, I refer to the recent historical sketches of that institu- and sixteen grand-children and twenty-

ter the southern end of the old West Building, one quiet night, ex-Judge ----, the indulging in a game of "seven-up." A knock was heard at the door. There was

The future Judge escaped, but the future Congressman from the Sixth District didn't. He re-entered the University, however, after a season of repentance, and a year later was graduated. The class was a distinguished one: W. S. Battle, kill old Col. Rich?" Rev. P. H. Dalton; A. G. Foster, E. L. Whitaker, Robert H. Cowan, James H. Horner, James S. Johnston, Stephen A. Stanfield and Rev. Dr. George B. Wet-

more, being members of it. After serving an apprenticeship at farming, Mr. STEELE entered political life, and in 1846 was elected a member of the lower House of the Legislature, and was reelected in 1848, in 1850 and in 1854. In 1852 he was elected to the Senate, and

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BINGHAM SCHOOL. again in 1858, and in 1861 he was Secretary of the State Convention. Mr. STEELE

was no mild critic of the acts of the Re-NEARING ITS CENTENNIAL YEAR, construction "patriots." In 1872 he was a sort of unwilling elector on the Greeley

In these latter days North Carolina has aroused from the traditional Rip Van Congress from the Sixth District by a Winkle slumber and has become eminent, not only by reason of such physical features as the highest land east of the Rocky Mounmajority of nearly 7,000. He was reelected in 1878. The next term he declined to enter the race, and this has thus tains, and a more varied flora than any other State in the Union, but likewise and especially by reason of her material progress. It has frequently been said by com-In Congress he was an active and useful member and took a stand in a single session among the readiest members at repartee | petent judges that the track of the Western North Carolina Railroad across and and among the most conservative in comunder the Blue Ridge is the most remark-In 1852 he was elected a member of the able piece of railroad engineering in the Board of Trustees of the University-a United States. The exhibit of specimens position he held and filled faithfully till of natural products made at Boston last year was the best exhibit of such kind ever the dark days of "University reconstrucmade by a State. Durham, N. C., has the tion" came. When the institution was third largest tobacco factory, and the very largest granulated tobacco factory, in the again organized he was called back to his old post on the Board-a position that he world. In these things surely there is no Rip Van Winkle slumber. Mr. STEELE has recently given his time

Carolina enjoys educational eminence among the Southern States by reason of the location in its borders of the oldest boarding school for boys in the South-a school that in its latter day success and expansion can boast also of the largest number of pupils, the widest territory of patronage, the latest improvements and the best equipment for physical training.

Age often brings effeteness; but in this case the experience and traditions of age have been supplemented at every step with renewed youth. It is a remarkable case of heredity, that every Bingham has had a succeeding Bingham who was able not only to maintain but likewise to extend his educational work. So it was with the late W. J. Bingham, who, in 1825, as the second Bingham, succeeded his father, the Rev. William Bingham, who founded the school in '93 of the last century. So it was again to have the best gun and the best dogs in with the late Colonel William Bingham, door life, which, unhappily in these days, belongs too seldom to our men after the

ment of her public schools has been truly wonderful. And the good work still advances with accelerated speed. Prior to the era of which we speak the school dismore shades of religious and political opinion, though none the less moral and conthe practical utility of the schools and mous with safety; the social training, too,

Southern thought and action. steadily raised higher and higher, the county have been changed and greatly Southern educator. The progressive spirit in every section of the county, and public

This is indicated not only by Major Continent. Bingham's personal activity for every pro- John F. Darby lived to see St. Louis gressive movement in educational work, but also by the spirit of progress which several hundred thousand, and died in "How did you do it?"
"I found him riding on his horse along lone road, and had plenty of time to he infuses into his pupils. Although no 1882, the last of those with whom politdistinctively normal instruction in the nature of the case is or can be given in the school, such of the Bingham graduates as win honors and carry away the school's one after another of them all, and it was affairs are honorable and just, and there win honors and carry away the school's commendation, command as high salaries from those of a younger generation who are but few petty jealousses in the county, as progressive teachers as the graduates of bestowed like honors on him, told of his we have a population largely composed of active and useful career, and followed him honorable and brave men, accomplished our colleges. And it is a hopeful sign as active and useful career, and followed him well as a very strong endorsement of the to his last resting place.

school that the demand for Bingham-trained teachers is much greater than the supply. It is becoming not uncommon for teachers-ladies as well as gentlemen-to visit the Bingham school to see the methods at work there. The school deserves a place, then, along with our high mountains and instances of great material advance-ment, by reason of its progressiveness and public spirit under the management of the fourth Bingham.

The writer knew the school as a student under the late Colonel Bingham's superintendency and he knows it now. As a progressive and public-spirited institution it has a wider and surer grasp on our life The school's continuance of the military feature of discipline-rigid enough to be

healthful and effective, but never carried to the extreme which has in some cases defeated the very purpose in view, and yet pleasant and healthful—has no doubt much to do with the noticeably pleasant and frank relations between teachers and pupils. It is simply companionship. Among the students themselves there has at the Bingham school always been a manly esprit du corps-a not unnatural result of the association of representatives of so many of the

unknown to most of your readers; yet it is an honored one in the great West, and for many years a name of power and enterprise in Missouri and the city of St. Louis, Person county, North Carolina, the son of youth the parents emigrated to the West, 1873 at his brother's death-being the North Carolina and obtain the best educaple in a wider territory and representing der John J. Crittenden, (afterwards the great senator and renowned 'statesman' with the erratic, brilliant orator, "Tom" servative wherever conservatism is synony- Marshall as his room mate and companion. "Old Kaintuck," like his mother State, services has been appreciated by his fellowcitizens; but no especial achievement of
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his prod friendships with the coming leaders in and cherished hopes. His next and last move was to St. Louis, the growing city But the most noteworthy and most dis- on the western banks of the great "father tinctly independent forward movement of waters," where he arrived friendless and During the last four years the standard | made by the fourth Bingham is the leader- almost penniless, but soon found employship he has taken among Southern educa- ment in the office of Judge Gamble, where tors by providing for the physical as well as for the mental training of boys. The sana mens in corpore sano has been an adage in the mouths of all men; but it was never made so prominent in action by any other fairly launched in his profession, in which his success was immediate and remarkable. of the present Bingham has not been suppressed either by the financial disadvantages which overtook all such Southern and always with credit and profit. The send promptness and ability, and he has been happily relieved of that restless ambeen happily relieved of that restless ambition which must make or mar in a minular education. The people have been led to believe that a system of public instruction can be made valuable.

He was born in Richmond county, on April 18, 1823. He has told the story himself that one of his ancestors came here himself that one of his ancestors came here with the army of Cornwallis to "put down her new and improved school houses ready, and her teachers prepared for the general cause of popular sump-speaker, and the large new one which had been only recently constructed. The school rose from its ashes and opened on schedule time with far better buildings than ever before and with more of them, and with the best gymnasium in the South and the best gymnasium in the South and the best gymnasium in the South and the best gymnasium of the large new one which had been only recently constructed. The school rose from its ashes and opened on schedule time with far better buildings than ever before and with more of them, and with the best gymnasium in the South and the best gymnasium in the South and the only very extensive or complete one except only ver and when Cornwallis got into trouble, this good soldier had already become a citizen of the "States." On the other side of the Europe a gymnasium has become as essential a part of school equipment as a dining squares and parks, and in every way justiand fuller and more accurate knowledge of ment in the West, and a great Convention The natural tendency of the life of a was held in the city for that object. In goats or horses, in Anson county is now town. The location is healthy, the society good, and the lands being productive, living is cheap. Altogether, there is no reason why it should not grow. There is one steam will these already one or two as for other men-have constantly become in that direction more than realized, by ble. This is regarded as the most impor-

the most public spirited of our educators United States army. Her family on both is the fourth Bingham.

GOOD DRINKING-WATER.

[Commissioner McGehee in April Bulletin.]

\* \* \* While speaking of this section, i may not be amiss to speak of another dis-Which is Also a Good County for Much Else that is Good. advantage to which certain localities there are subject, namely, the drinking-water, and which can be remedied by a simple Anson county is situated in the southexpedient within the reach of every one It may not be very logically connected with was established in 1749, and comprehended all the western portion of the State from New Hanover and Bladen on the east as far as the limits of the State extended on the west. It derives its name from Admiral the west. It derives its name from Admiral that can affect their material welfare. This matter is so well explained by one of the most illustrious chemists of our age (Johnston, in his "Chemistry of Common Life" that the passage relating to it is given in his own words:

> ble substances of a peculiar kind, which render them unwholesome, even over large tracts of country. In sandy districts the decaying vegetable matters of the surfacesoil are observed to sink down and form an ochrey pan, or thin yellow layer in the subsoil, which is impervious to water, and through which, therefore, the rains cannot Being arrested by this pan, the certain portion of the vegetable matter: and when collected into wells, is often dark-colored, marshy in taste and smell, and unwholesome to drink. When bailed, the organic (vegetable) matter coagulates, and when the water cools, separates in flocks, leaving the water wholesome, and nearly free from taste or smell. The same purification takes place when the water is filtered through charcoal, or when chips of oak wood are put into it. The properties of being congulated by boiling, and by tannin of oak wood, shows that the orwhite of egg. As it coagulates, it not only falls itself, but it carries other impurities along with it, and thus purifies the water, in the same way as white of egg

Well-waters sometimes contain vegeta-

clarifies wine, coffee, and other liquids to which it is added. Such is the character of the waters in mmon use in the landes of the Gironde around Bordeaux, and in many other sandy districts. The waters of rivers, and of marshy and swampy places, often contain a similar coagulable substance. Hence the waters of the Seine, at Paris, are clarified by introducing a morsel of alum, and the

and carries them down along with it." "These cases, and especially that of the sandy landes of Bordeaux, and elsewhere, throw an interesting light upon the history of the waters of Marah, as given in the

derness and found no water. And when they came to Marah, they could not drink of the waters of Marah, for they were bitter; therefore the name of it was Marah. And the people murmured against Moses, saying, What shall we drink? And he waters of the sandy wilderness may contain tringent plant will coagulate. The discovery of such a plant among the natural

the Landes of La-Gironde." Every one familiar with geography will recognize the resemblance between some of the countries described by Johnston and parts of the eastern section of our State. It is pretty certain that the cause of the light to Pennsylvania Avenue as do both those that have been named. They help the gas lights to dispel what would otherwise be "the blackness of darkness;" that impurity in all these waters is the same. is all.

It is calculated to excite surprise, and should awaken a sentiment of profound Congre should awaken a sentiment of profound Congress are very proud of the progress gratitude, that an evil so great as that of the State Exposition is making; nor are

Durham Reporter. Durham is making six millions of brick -Fitzgerald & Co. making two million-Linthicum one and a half million. The

cotton and woollen factories one and a half cotton and woollen factories one and a half millions, and other smaller yards a million. And these six millions will be laid up in go there if their children can have the ber should be permitted to vote upon factories stores and dwellings just as soon benefits of good instruction in its schools. factories, stores and dwellings just as soon as they are cold enough to handle. Can any other city in the State make as good a showing? This is one million for every thousand inhabitants, or one thousand bricks of permanent improvement for they learned while in Boston. If this rainy

[From the Chicago Tribune.]

phered the hieroglyphics on the envelope.
Then that's all right, but if it don't git thar on time I'll have you took up fur murder. That letter's fur my feller back in Illinoy, an' he writ that if I wouldn't marry him right off he'd kill hisself, an' have to ki afford abundant opportunities for those who wish high scademic training. Our I've writ back that he kin come on an' double up jest as soon as he wants ter. If that letter don't git thar straight Jim's jest fool enough to swaller a dose of pizen or somethin', an' mind, young man, that you are liable to be pulled any minute for murder if he does. My name's Roda Lumly, an' anybody that knows the Lumlys 'll tell you that we're not to be fooled with when human life's at stake." And she shook a warning finger at the clerk

and walked out.

WASHINGTON.

EASTER MONDAY AT THE NATION-AL CAPITAL. What a Bright-eyed Woman Saw There That Day, and What She Sees Ahead for us at Home.

[Correspondence of the RALEIGH REGISTER.]

WASHINGTON, D. C., April 14th, 1884.— This being Easter Monday, the children of the Capitoline city have held high carnival on the grounds immediately behind the White House. From the windows of the Presidential Mansion many a brilliant spectacle has been witnessed, but never one more beautiful than that of to-day. While I write, standing beneath the stately porch with its grand outlook across the country, there are at least ten thousand children. misses, grandmas and fond mothers, all enjoying egg-rolling, a custom peculiar to this city, to which time has given its sanc-tion. The grass has the vivid and tender green of the spring; the buds of the grand trees are bursting into leaf; hyacinths of all colors bloom in the enclosed parterres, and tulips of brightest hues shine and glow in their circular beds. But the little folks, God bless them, have this day as their own, rain-water, while it rests upon it, dissolves | and on every side you see them disporting like the young lambs of the poet that "gambol on the hillsides." In some parts of our State the youngsters "peck" eggs on Easter Monday, but here they roll them, the grassy hillocks giving them all needed facilities for that lively sport. It is not only a lovely but a democratic scene, for rich. Fair, of Nevada, is many times a these little folk represent all classes, from the most aristocratic to the lowliest families. None are more than fourteen, and the majority are little tots that have not walked but a year or two. As for the tannin of oak wood, shows that the organic matter contained in the water is of an albuminous character, or resembles a destruction of hen fruit! During Lent, these and fish are the meat of the faithful, but now that the days of fasting have been accomplished, they are turned into fragile toys, and when their brightly dyed shells are cracked, the children pause long enough from their merry game to eat the "innards." One of the beautiful effects

trasting finely with the green sward under Among the multitude I notice particuside of the earthen vessel in which the water is to be poured, soon causes the impurities to subside. In Egypt the muddy water of the Nile is clarified by rubbing bitter almonds on the side of the water-vessel in the same way.

"In all these instances the principle of the clarification is the same. The albuming the clarification is the same and railroad interests in his State. Lamar is poor. Laphan, of New York, is well off. Logan, of Illinois, is poor. McMilland, and blessed with healthy young appetites, and railroad interests in his State. Lamar is poor. Laphan, of New York, is well off. Logan, of Illinois, is poor. McMilland, and blessed with healthy young appetites, and railroad interests in his State. Lamar is poor. Laphan, of New York, is well off. Logan, of Illinois, is poor. McMilland, and blessed with healthy young appetites, and railroad interests in his State. Lamar is poor. Laphan, of New York, is well off. Logan, of Illinois, is poor. McMilland, and blessed with healthy young appetites, and railroad interests in his State. Lamar is poor. Laphan, of New York, is well off. Logan, of Illinois, is poor. McMilland, and blessed with healthy young appetites, and provide in the same way. nous matter is coagulated by what is added to the water, and in coagulating, it damp grass, opened their dainty baskets, and banks. Manderson, of Nebraska, is a embraces the other impurities of the water and are now sitting chatting and laughing rich man. Maxey, of Texas, is in moder and carries them down along with it."

while munching their home made goodies.

Miller, of California, fifteenth chapter of Exodus:

"'So Moses brought Israel from the Red Sea; and they went into the wilderness of down upon the one wee birdling of the down upon the one wee birdling of the down upon the one wee birdling of the state of them. domestic nest, these, and such as these,

in this picture of animate life is produced

by the brilliant colors now fashionable.

All shades of red, blue, yellow and orange

enter into juvenile costumes, these con-

add to the picturesqueness of this rare spectacle, which is worth a ride from Raleigh to see. Washington has lately been illuminated nightly by electricity. Coronals of burners cried unto the Lord, and the Lord showed | have been put at the dome of the Capitol, him a tree, which when he had cast into at the summit of the Washington Monuthe waters, the waters were made sweet." ment, and at other conspicuous heights. "As in our European sandy dunes, the It was said by some that when the full force of the current was turned on, Penn- of Kansas, is making money all the time an albumen-like substance which an astringent plant will congulate. The disblue arch overhead is too vast a receiver ample means. Ransom, of North Carolina, vegetation of the desert, would give, therefore, the means of purifying and rendering it wholesome, as cuttings of the oak tree render salubrious the waters of firmament, but that is all, and the rays of venus when, as Evening Star, she blazes come, in the neighborhood of \$75,000 or

Our Senators and Representatives in

using unwholesome drinking-water admits | they alone here in the interest felt in its | a year from his law practice. Dan Voorof a remedy so easy and simple. There is no one who cannot command a few kernels sioner of the Bureau of Education, has of bitter almonds, a small bit of alum, or promised to send to Raleigh an exhibit of bitter almonds, a small bit of alum, or a few chips of oak wood, which, used as directed, will give wholesome drinking-water everywhere in that section.

promised to send to railing the exhibit of Kentucky, has large farming interests fully equal to that he made last year at Louisville. The press correspondents have also taken hold of it cordially, and will rities. give it a boom. Colonel Paul B. Means, of Concord, is an enthusiastic worker for it, for he believes that it will be of inestimable benefit to every county in the State. He and others in Washington have noticed the steady flow of the Northern emigration wave towards North Carolina. Even the benefits of good instruction in its schools. Agricultural Bureau and other places, to have verified by disinterested officers what season ever gets to an end so that travelers can be assured of a few dry weeks, there will be hundreds of visitors going to Asheville and down the Ducktown branch road. Before hot weather sets in for good, the At noon a girl about nineteen years old, eastern counties also will get their share of and wearing a somewhat faded costume, visitors. Oh, the Old North State is bound Commonwealth onward and upward, will

Congressional Wit and Humor.

posting bills. You are a young member and don't know the rules." [Laughter.] Mr. Budd—I may be young, but I am not going to have my brains kicked out

Mr. White-Of course not; you would have to kick yourself in that case. Mr. Budd-You have none to kick out I understand my place better than the gentleman ever will. [Laughter.]

Small, But Great. The sun can mirror his glorious face In the dew-drop on the sod, And the humblest buman heart reflect The light and love of God.

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BICH MEN IN THE SENATE. Who they Are, What they are Worth, and How they are Interested in the Legislation.

[Special to the New York World.]

WASHINGTON, April 11.-The majority

of the Senators are rich men. Edmunds the President of the Senate, is probably worth half a million, and has a private law practice worth at least \$75,000 a year. Aldrich, of Rhode Island, is a rich wholesale grocer. Allison, of Iowa, is worth at least \$100,000 and has an independent income from his wife's estate. Anthony, of Rhode Island, owns a fine property in the Providence Journal, and has a good private income. Bayard, of Delaware, has a moderate fortune. Beck, of Kentucky, is in moderately comfortable circumstances. Blair, of New Hampshire, is a poor man. Bowen, of Colorado, is many times a millionaire. Joe Brown, of Georgia, is a mil-lionaire. Butler, of South Carolina, is poor. Call, of Florida, is well off. Camden, of West Virginia, is very rich. Cameron, of Wisconsin, has ample means. Cameron, of Pennsylvania, is worth \$4,-000,000. Cockrell, of Missouri, is poor Coke, of Texas, has a large plantation in terest in his State. Colquitt, of Georgia is rich and has been associated in many railroad speculations with Joe Brown Conger, of Michigan, is in comfortable circumstances. Cullom, of Illinois, is poor. Dawes, of Massachusetts, has a moderate fortune Dolph, of Oregon, is millionaire. Farley, of California, has a large fortune. Frye, of Maine, is poor; so is Garland, of Arkansas. George, of Mississippi, has a number of large plantations. Gibson, of Louisiana, is very rich. Gorman, of Maryland, has a good property and so has his colleague Groome. Eugene Hale married rich and inherited a great deal from Zach Chandler. Wade Hampton has a large property interest in South Carolina. Harris, of Tennessee, has plenty of money. Harrison, of Indiana, has a moderate fortune and a fine law practice. Hawley, of Connecticut, is poor.
Hill of Colorado, has very large mining
interests and has great wealth. Hoar, of Massachusetts, has a good private income. Ingalls, of Kansas, is supposed to be poor, but he has any number of Western enter-

prises which must make him in the end rich. Jackson, of Tennessee, has private means. Jones, of Louisiana, is very rich. is poor. Morgan, of Alabama, has a large private income. Morrill, of Vermont, has a large fortune, which he made by speculations during the war. Palmer, of Michigan, is said to have an income of \$175,000 a year from his private fortune. He has a winter residence in New York and owns property all over the country. Pike, of New Hampshire, is poor. Pendleton, of Ohio, must be very rich, because he spends from seventy-five to one hundred thousand dollars a year in mere entertaining and living. Platt, of Connecticut, is a lawyer of good practice but small means. Plumb, is poor and always hard up. Riddleberger, of Virginia is not rich. Sabin, of Minnesota, owns a large milling interest. \$100,000 a year. Salisbury, of Delaware, is poor. Sawyer, of Wisconsin, is worth \$4,000,000. Sewell, of New Jersey, is worth a million. John Sherman is a millionaire. Slater, of Oregon, is a man of substantial property. Vance, of North Carolina, is well-to-do. Van Wyck has money from his wife. Vest, of Missouri.

Nearly every commercial interest in the United States is represented in some way by the property-holders in the Senate. There is no question relating to public lands, to cattle raising, to mining, railroad or telegraph that does not at once involve Bureau of Education has received inquiries pass upon them. If the rule was to be Within a week parties have passed through there would often be times in the Senate here from the North, after visiting the when there would be no quorum to con-

depend on his Senatorial salary. Williams,

of Kentucky, has large farming interests

# Didn't Play Well Enough.

[Pittsburg Chronicle.] "Walter," said his fond wife, "will you not learn to play poker for my sake?" "Learn to play poker?" he exclaimed in

astonishment. "Why-ahem-why, the truth is, I do know something about the game. I-I have played it." "Yes, dear, but you don't know enough.

I thought if you would only learn how to play it you might not lose so much money, you know." "What is your politics, Pat?" inquired an old citizen of an Irishman who had been

nation's salary and I care not who does its work." Maritime Observation

[George L. Catlin.]
They sat on the broad verands
O'erlooking the moonlit sea,
And from out on the dancing waters
Came floating a sound of glee.

But suddenly with it blending
Came cries of childish woe.
Came the sound of a slipper desc
In measured cadence slow.

"There's a squall out there," said a lo "Out there on the moonlit seas." "Oh, no; not a squall," said the other: "Tis only a spanking breeze."

he making of him. In the first room to the right as you enmiles in a day. \_\_\_, Dr. \_\_\_\_ and Mr. \_\_\_\_ were A Puzzled North Carolina Man.

which excited no great confusion. This time in walked one D. L. Swain!

### And Yearly Adding to Its Strength and Vigor and Usefulness. ticket-a bitter pill for him, but to purge the country of Radicalism was worth a bitter pill. In 1876 he was elected to

Apiece and apace with this eminence and capital business talents to the manmaterial progress and advantages, North agement of the Pee Dee Manufacturing Company, at Rockingham, which makes cotton plaids-another conspicuous instance of the devotion of our best talent to the work of building up onr industrial There is, however, another kind of work that Mr. W. L. STEELE has done, and, it is hoped, may continue to do, which deserves conspicuous notice even in so brief a sketch as this. He is one of the most graceful writers that we have ever had. He has written for the Forest and Stream several sketches, which, if he had done nothing else, deserve to keep him in perpetual remembrance for more than one generation. By the way, why should the

size and shape, in the districts there were either no sites, or sites with no school houses, or sites with old and dilapidated

hall or recitation rooms. Added to this is the Bingham bath house, lighted with gas and heated with steam, with more than twenty long metallic bath tubs, and a Congress on the subject of completing the when he was born he found minself the child of most excellent parents, and he saw the sun rise for the first time sixty-one saw the sun rise for the first time saw the sun rise for the Brist time staty-one years ago not very far from the place where he sees it set now.

With and state the fine staty-one of the State of the people of the State of the most sanguine calculation of the present Bingham management alone can urging the importance of railroad develop-The people have built a school house 26 Bilesville bids fair to become a handsome teacher is not a progressive tendency. The location is healthy, the society and the location is healthy, the society are location in the city for that object. In goals or norses, in Anson county is now as need in the city for that object. In goals or norses, in Anson county is now as need in the city for that object. In goals or norses, in Anson county is now as need in the city for that object. In goals or norses, in Anson county is now as need in the city for that object. In goals or norses, in Anson county is now as need in the city for that object. In goals or norses, in Anson county is now as need in the city for that object. In goals or norses, in Anson county is now as need in the city for the city f by 40 two stories high with a belfry, and

one steam mill there already, one or two sibilities of doing good work and of wielding a wider influence-for teachers as well (Pittsboro Home.)

Mrs. Elizabeth Wilkie, of Gulf township, is 77 years old, has had twelve children is 77 years old, has had twelve children principal of a private school, but has got is 77 years old, has had twelve children is 78 years old, has had twelve children is 79 years old, had twelve children is out of the narrower private school work ability and working qualities, but an acciwhich absorbs most teachers of such schools dent on the boat on his way to Washingrecent historical sketches of that institution to derermine. Next year, in January,
he was at Chapel Hill, where he spent an
uneventful life till September. Then came
the making of him.

and sixteen grand-children, never took a
dose of medicine from a doctor, and is
now in robust health, and does her own
the making of him.

and sixteen grand-children, never took a
dose of medicine from a doctor, and is
broader cause of popular, common school
the slowly recovered in a large degree, and
did good service for his State during his
to cooking, washing, milking, and weaves
the slowly recovered making of him.

After this for a and says she can walk now twenty-five normal schools, more graded schools and time, he engaged in the banking business, private educator among us. From his own sion, the law, and enjoyed an extensive classroom to the platform of the National practice until the day of his death.

animated conversation was begun about some religious topic. In came WALTER some religious topic. In came WALTER some was resumed, and Judge—, wishing to thrust his feet over the fire-place, prevailed on Streelle on Streelle to Black or prevailed on Street to play his dad. The game went on. The game went on the game was nother noise heard at the door, which excited no great confusion. This What is to be the end of a Buncombe aid in the fight against illiteracy, his voice varied store of reminiscences relating to their opulence. This no-fence system in it gits to whar it's addressed?" "Oh, I York butter, Chicago meat, whisky and Durham tobacco?

York butter, Chicago meat, whisky and Durham tobacco?

William Jordan and Jor pends on public spirit. And without doubt M. Wilkinson, daughter of a captain in the Lilesville, Wadesbero, and other points,

eastern part of Middle North Carolina. It was established in 1749, and comprehended French fleet off Cape Finisterre a short time

ANSON COUNTY.

THE BEST-COTTON COUNTY.

[Hon. R. T. Bennett.]

than it ever had before; and must there-fore influence our future more than it has bounded on the east by Richmond county -the Great Pee Dee river, the name by which the Yadkin river is known after its confluence with the Uwharrie, runs the entire length of their common boundary; on the south by Chesterfield county, in South Carolina; on the north by Stanly county, Rocky river being the line of divide; and on the west by Union county. It is on the thirty-fifth parallel of latitude and third meridian of longitude. Its height above the sea-level is from five hundred and fifty to seven hundred feet. The surface of the county is hilly, and its area is about five hundred square miles.

There are a number of creeks in the best bred people in the Southern States. county, which give it a fair proportion of NORTH CAROLINIANS ABROAD. good bottom lands. Lane's creek in the northern part, Big Brown creek about Honorable John F. Darby. seven miles from it, with the same general It is probable that the above name is one direction in the course of the two; that is, from the west-northwest to east-Little Brown creek, Goulas Fork and Culpepper. All of these are north of the capital town reflecting no little credit on its maternity.

JOHN FLETCHER DARBY was born in
Person county, North Carolina, the son of

Colonel Thomas Wade, who achieved rep-John Darby, a respectable farmer and to- utation in the war of 1776. It is one hunbacco planter. While the son was quite a dred and twenty-five miles by rail from Raleigh, one hundred and thirty-five miles settled on a farm, where John F. worked by rail from Wilmington, fifty-one miles for five or six years, aiding in making a by rail from Charlotte, one hundred and comfortable home for the family. The sixty miles by rail from Charleston, South youth had received the elements of an Carolina, and sixty-five miles from Salisthe world (and he succeeds) and to get leisure to go forth at least once a week during the sporting season.

It is not every day that you find so happy a combination—a trained and highminded politician, a successful man of affairs, a gentleman of a good deal of leisure, of rare accomplishments and most uncommonly graceful style; and to these rare accomplishments and most work the gray with General Lec, and who lay graceful style; and to these became superintendent of the school in turity, his great desire was to return to eastern part of the county. The southern became superintendent of the school in turity, his great desire was to return to eastern part of the county has a good deal of longfourth of this line of teachers, the superiors of whom as educators, and the like of whom as a continuous line, the South has not produced.

While the school has grown steadily in efficiency and in reputation since its now almost ancient foundation, in the hands of the fourth Bingham it has become more progressive and therefore more famous than ever before. For the teaching, though

progressive and therefore more famous than ever before. For the teaching, though always thorough as far as it went, is now on the whole better done than ever before by broader and better equipped men, especially in mathematics; the superintendent has acquainted himself more thoroughly than any of his predecessors did with the best and most advanced educational methods at home and abroad; the school is more commonpolitien drawing from our best proposed at the school is more educational training of the Rev. William Bingham, of Orange county, N. C. Appreciating the advantages that surrounded him he was diligent and studious, and ever afterwards grateful to his kind and able instructor, with whom he remained until prepared to enter on the study of law. This accomplished, his thoughts turned again towards the bustling adventurous West. We next find young DARRY in Would not exhaust it in many years. cosmopolitan, drawing from our best peo- Frankfort, pursuing his legal studies un- would not exhaust it in many years. Cotton, corn and the small grains are the staple crops of the county. Cotton is the leading crop, and the staple grown here is the best upland cotton grown north of Mobile, Alabama. It is said that many of the fleecy woollen blankets made in the United States are made of Anson county United States are made of Amon county cotton. The granite grit immediately north and south of Jones creek is specially noted for the superior staple produced on it. The late Dr. Michael, of Chapel Hill, who lost his life in the interest of accence, pronounced the gray granite grit of the Jones Creek section the best for cotton he had seen. It is confidently believed this part of the county would produce as good tobacco as is grown in the United States.

tobacco as is grown in the United States. Blackberries, strawberries and raspberries grow spontaneously, and yield most bountifully when cultivated. Vegetables of all kinds grow to perfection, and mature as early as at any other place in the State as

Every man who owns cattle, hogs, sheep, souri had not yet arrived; yet he lived to see his enlarged views and earnest labors the incursions of stock is next to impossigreater. Recognizing this, the present Bingham has not only added greatly to the motive power and therefore to the success Union) in the city.

ences, more common school teachers, more normal schools, more graded schools and more teachers' Institutes than any other moves the ences of the enc the cloth, cuts and makes her own clothes, ences, more common school teachers, more Congressional career. After this, for a out and now covered with old-field pines cuperators of the soil. Now the hedge-rows are cultivated: brier-beds have been "An' is the address writ so's thar kin be prosperity. rows are cultivated; brier-beds have been Educational Convention at Washington, which met to further the cause of national of "Personal Recollections," containing a have been invaded and made to yield of monkeyin' all round the country afore

> public school system is intelligently administered. The health of our citizens is unsurpass in this division of the State. We are entirely free from contagious diseases, Our public debt bearing interest is about \$15,000; our floating debt is cashed at sight. The officers who control public and virtuous women.