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THE House of Representatives by a vote of 101 yeas to 92 nays struck out the enacting clause of the Torrey bill providing for a uniform system of bankruptcy proceedings in the United States.

THE Watson Democrat wants to know: "If Kope Elias falls by the way, which he will, beyond a doubt, and another collector be appointed, will any of Elias's appointees be retained?"

THE Knoxville Tribune says: "There is a gay girl in Louisville, Miss. Elvira Miller, who writes things in rhyme. The following has its point in the fact that the arm is succeeded by the call of the leg as the place for recreation."

THE defeat of Fitching Lee for United States senator in the Democratic caucus of the Virginia Legislature, has been made the text for much sentimental slobbering by certain newspapers.

HOW WE MAY CONQUER THE EARTH. W. J. Coombs in the December Forum. My own experience as an export merchant has extended over 38 years, in which time I have done my share to introduce American manufactured goods into foreign countries.

AN ILLINOIS LYCHING. From the Charlotte News and Occurrence. "A lynching of exceptional brutality," it is reported, "occurred last week at Whitehall, in the State of Illinois."

TO THE EDITOR OF THE CHATHAM RECORD. There is a man in Baldwin's township by the name of David McBane whose age is 70 years, who has sowed this tall 15 or 20 bushels wheat, hewed a set of horse logs, and on this 5th day of December, 1893 with the ground all covered with snow, he goes out soon in the morning, feeds his horse, builds him a hog shelter, cuts up a load of wood and then walks one-fourth of a mile to a store; all this having been done without any shoes on or anything else for the protection of his feet. He says that he does not know that he will wear any shoes this winter.



WHEN the proposition was made that Rev. Mr. Sheppard, a colored man who is here from his work in Africa, would make an address in the First Presbyterian church, some of the members, I understand, express their dislike of the idea. Some, I hear, said that if he were allowed to speak it ought not to be from the pulpit. There was a deal of talk about the matter that was going on in the congregation, inside and outside the church. And yet, when I went to that church yesterday I saw Mr. Sheppard occupying a place on the platform and he talked from that place as interesting as any I ever listened to. It mattered not that he was a colored man. Every person in the congregation could easily understand him, but one of intelligence, of unusual experience and a Christian man. This talk must have made a powerful impression on all of his auditors if they listened as willing to hear and profit instead of in a fault-finding spirit.

THE church members heard a report of work presented by the help of this church, given in a most entertaining style, and members of other churches and members of no church at all heard something of a lot of land that little known to the help of this church. While the members were discussing the interesting topic, Pastor Campbell touched the question plainly in his letter to the Citizens. And Pastor Simpson, and more deserving of popularity, and more credit to be accorded to the majority at the last election, and although many approached him he was steadfast in his refusal. He said he had more to do than to be a politician, and would ask no further honors. He was prompt in his attendance while holding office and his vote was never half-hearted. He was a man, and I was deeply pained to hear of his death.

THE custom, inaugurated here by Mayor Patton, of submitting semi-annual statements of the city's condition, should be kept up hereafter by every one who holds the executive office. The Mayor's report is a notable one—one to be pondered by every Asheville man. The Mayor is postmaster in the handling of the report, and he has gone to the bottom of the city's financial affairs. Nobody should fail to read the report. By the way, I heard a prominent young lawyer remark the other evening that he was "for" Patton against the "red neck year." It's rather early, but that's what he said.

LAST Thursday Ben Tomis, a rapist-murderer, was hanged in Pennsylvania for his crimes, which were committed in September, less than three months before he was hanged. Justice acted quietly, the man is just as dead as if he had been lynched and burned, and so man had the wretch's blood on his hands. Lynching don't pay.

NEW YORK has a most pronounced spirit of morality. The other day the girls who do the dance in vogue went there from Chicago. The performance went on one night, but was stopped the next, while one of the girls was in one of her most noticeable contortions. The fine was \$50 next day, and the girls were charged to create the pleasure and leave New York forever. It is quite probable that the dance deserved suppression but it's a dollar to don't say that it had been given New York first, there would have been no charge. New York is so jealous of Chicago that she had to do something to make the country believe she was better than the Windy City.

RECENTLY I was talking to an old North Carolinian who is living in Alabama. He said: "Tell all of the North Carolina boys to stay at home. I have been through the West and South, and North Carolina is the best of all." North Carolina is great, but she could be made so much greater if her people would strive as they ought to.

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