

GLIMPSES OF NORTH CAROLINA HISTORY.

Dr. Kingsbury, in his last weekly letter to the Raleigh News and Observer, gives some interesting glimpses of North Carolina history...

Concerning Hawks's history, it may interest many of the present generation to know that that remarkable and incomplete work blazed the way for the project of the stupendous "Colonial Records" which the State, after the lapse of many years, took up and published.

PRESIDENTIAL MESSAGES.

The length and comparative emptiness of the last Presidential message have drawn attention to these documents generally. Mr. F. J. Haakin, a staff writer of the Atlanta Journal writes interestingly of them as follows:

Just at this time of each year the big feature of the day's news is the President's message to the senate and the house of representatives in which he reviews the state of the union and recommends certain legislation.

The fathers thought that this review would be an abstract necessary for the guidance of congress, as the president had the advantage of special opportunities to know what was going on all over the country, while members of congress could know only of their own localities.

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LET THE DEMOCRATS SPEAK.

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ty men who entertain this belief hold that the Republican organization will by force of circumstance, be compelled to frame a platform essentially Democratic. Although the Republican party is at best the party of no-

The most quoted of all presidential messages is Washington's Farewell Address. Almost every President has quoted from that master paper or has referred to its doctrines.

REINCARNATION.

It is long ways or dim forgotten lands, Ah, do you not recall how once we went? Did we not gaze, and hold each other's hands, In utter ecstasy of sheer content?

A Judge On Judges.

Philadelphian Press.] Justice William J. Gaynor of Brooklyn, who had to accept a nomination from three parties—Republican, Democratic and Independence League—thought the occasion sufficiently important to delect a little on the duties of judges and what should be their attitude towards new ideas.

HOW THEY MISREPRESENT BRYAN.

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LONGING FOR THE EVENING-TIDE.

For the Observer.] Tired, so tired—the dreary journey Up Life's rugged mountain side, Tired, my feet—so tired and weary, Longing for the evening-tide.

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Abel's. His mind was a blank. He talked as if only a single night had passed since he left his old homestead and his wife, now long since dead. The old man was regarded with awe for the story got around that he had slept for 20 years in Sleepy Hollow, up in the mountains.

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