

**TO STUDY ECLIPSE.**

**Appropriation Asked for Establishing Stations of Observation.**

New York Tribune.  
The naval observatory has asked congress for an appropriation of \$5,000 for the purpose of studying and observing the total solar eclipse of May 28 next, a phenomenon of special interest to America, as it is the first one that will be visible generally in this country since 1878, the only exception being the eclipse of 1899, visible from the west coast of California up into Manitoba. The eclipse next spring is visible in a narrow line or belt extending from Norfolk, Va., in a generally southwesterly direction through Texas and Mexico. The duration of totality at Norfolk is about a minute and a half and the time diminishes until New Orleans, where it is only about a minute and twelve seconds.

Preparations for observing the eclipse were begun three years ago by the weather bureau, which gathered extensive data concerning the cloudiness and general conditions of the weather on May 28 in the regions over which the eclipse will be total. Their reports, recently published, show that the best positions for observing the eclipse, where there will be the greatest probability of clear weather, are in South Carolina, Northern Georgia and Alabama. But in order to secure a certainty, stations will be occupied all along the line of totality.

At the coming eclipse the observatory will utilize instruments of great value for the study of this peculiar phenomenon. First, the observation of the precise time at which the contacts of the moon take place, in order to fix precisely its position in the heavens relative to the sun, which can be done with unusual accuracy only at the time of solar eclipse. The second purpose will be to study with photographic instruments and the spectroscopic structure and composition of the sun's surroundings. This latter field is the one which possesses such absorbing popular interest, and the 40-foot photographic lenses of the observatory will give large photographs, which will show the finest detail of the corona. Smaller instruments, however, with lenses of the finest workmanship, will be used to photograph the widest extensions of the corona. Stations will have to be chosen some time in advance of the eclipse, and the telescopes mounted and adjusted to be in readiness for the important moment.

The task of mounting the telescopes forty feet long so as to point at a definite region of the sky at the precise moment of time, and that the moment at which the sun will be in position to send its rays through the long canvas tube which will cut out the stray light of the atmosphere, is no light task, and yet it has been successfully accomplished on several expeditions by the eclipse parties of the Lick observatory. The observatory has in time past sent out eclipse parties to distant parts of the world, the last extensive expedition being in 1883, to the Caroline Islands, in the South Pacific, of which the present astronomical director of the observatory, Prof. S. J. Brown, was a member. This eclipse, whose duration was unusually long, was visible at only two small dots of land in the Pacific ocean, the rest of its entire track passing over the watery waste. Previous to that in 1878, several government parties occupied positions on the long line of totality extending from Iowa to the Pacific coast, especially in the high rocky mountains where the atmosphere was light and transparent.

Although the proposed appropriation of \$5,000 seems ludicrously inadequate and is much less than those given in former times, the convenience and accessibility of the stations and the fact that the observatory already possesses many valuable instruments explain why such a relatively small amount will be productive of much good, provided the expedition is successful.

**MILLIONS GIVEN AWAY.**

It is certainly gratifying to the public to know of one concern in the land who are not afraid to be generous to the needy and suffering. The proprietors of Dr. King's New Discovery for consumption, coughs and colds, have given away over ten million trial bottles of this great medicine; and have the satisfaction of knowing it has absolutely cured thousands of hopeless cases. Asthma, bronchitis, hoarseness and all diseases of the throat, chest and lungs are surely cured by it. Call on Burwell & Drexler, druggists, and get a free trial bottle. Regular size 50c. and \$1. Every bottle guaranteed, or price refunded.

**WINSTON'S NEW FURNITURE FACTORY.**

The Oakland Manufacturing Company, of Winston, has been incorporated. It will manufacture furniture. The company is also authorized to acquire and sell land and property and to construct and maintain dirt roads and turnpikes for the purpose of connecting its property. The capital stock is to be \$20,000. The incorporators are W. P. Hill, John W. Fries, Wm. A. Blair, R. J. Reynolds and B. F. Huntley.

**THE KISSING RECORD.**

A man who has kept account of the number of kisses exchanged with his wife during their union, says the Oxford Ledger, consents to its publication, as follows: First year, 36,500; second year, 16,000; third year, 3,650; fourth year, 120; fifth year, 2. He then left off keeping the record.

**WOMAN'S MISTAKE.**

It is a well-known fact that Lydia E. Pinkham's Vegetable Compound has cured more women than any other remedy. It therefore must be the best possible medicine for female ills.

But some women make the mistake of thinking that they will try something else simply because it is new. That mistake is often a fatal one—fatal to the health and happiness of the experimenter.

**Is it not foolish to risk the possible results of such experiments? Is it not better to depend upon a medicine which has been tried successfully for thirty years, and which has never been found wanting?**

Do not therefore let any one persuade you to try something which they say is just as good. It cannot be just as good. Mrs. Pinkham's Compound is the best, and there can be only one best. This is not a mere assertion, but is a positive fact, admitted by hundreds of regular physicians.

Rely on your own common sense, and Mrs. Pinkham's life-long experience, and you will make no mistake. Don't experiment with your health, but take a medicine that you know is good, and is backed by such letters as these to Mrs. Pinkham:

**Suppressed and Painful Periods Cured by Lydia E. Pinkham's Vegetable Compound.**

"I was thin, sallow and nervous. I had not had my menses for over a year and a half. Doctored with several physicians in town and one specialist, but did not get any better. I finally decided to try your medicine, and wrote to you. After I had taken three bottles of Lydia E. Pinkham's Vegetable Compound and three of Blood Purifier, my menses returned, and I feel as well and strong as I ever did, and am gaining flesh."—Miss Lena Gaines, Visalia, Tulare Co., Cal.

"After following the directions given in your kind letter for the treatment of leucorrhoea, I can say that I have been entirely cured by the use of Lydia E. Pinkham's remedies, and will gladly recommend them to my friends."—Miss A. B. Davids, Birmingham, N. Y.

**A Grateful Woman Recommends Lydia E. Pinkham's Vegetable Compound to Every Wife and Mother.**

"I have taken eight bottles of Lydia E. Pinkham's Vegetable Compound with most gratifying results. I had been married four years and had two children. I was all run down, had falling of womb with all its distressing symptoms. I had doctored with a good physician, but I derived very little good from his treatment. After taking a few bottles of your medicine, I was able to do my work and nurse my seven-months-old babe. I recommended your medicine to every wife and mother. Had I time, I could write much more in its praise. I bid you God's speed in your good work."—Mrs. L. A. Morris, Welaka, Putnam Co., Fla.



**The Medicine that holds the record for the largest number of Cures is Lydia E. Pinkham's Vegetable Compound.**

**JUDGE CLARK'S HOTEL BURNED.**

A Weldon, N. C., special says: "Judge Walter Clark's fine brick hotel at Halifax was burned Thursday morning and the building and most of the contents are a total loss. The hotel was a three-story brick structure and cost \$14,000. Judge Clark did not have a dollar of insurance on it. The house was leased by Mrs. M. A. Sater. Superior Court was in session and the hotel was full of guests, but all escaped, as the fire was discovered in the roof and the alarm was given before it had made any very great headway. Judge Starbuck was in the hotel and helped Mrs. Sater to save what furniture could be saved before the roof fell in. Nothing was saved on the third floor. The citizens struggled heroically to subdue the flames, but the fire had made up much headway. This house was first built for a winter resort for sportsmen and was known as the Southern Hotel. Mrs. Sater had no insurance on her furniture and the loss falls on her quite heavily. The origin of the fire is not known, but it is thought that it was caused by a defective flue near the top of the building."

**FROM AMERICA'S ELECTRICAL CENTRE.**

Little Mamie, my youngest born, was taken with a violent fit of coughing last night. Two doses of Cheney's Expecto-rant relieved her. It is certainly the greatest cough medicine I have ever tried.

MRS. LAURA E. STEVENS, Schenectady, N. Y.

**400-ACRE MELON PATCH.**

Mr. C. H. Mathis, of Blacksville, S. C., who is backed by a strong Northern syndicate, has leased the McCormick lands and a farm of Mr. C. B. Patterson and will cultivate watermelons and canteloupes on a large scale for Northern markets. The total number of acres planted will aggregate more than four hundred.—Apex Special.

**GOVERNOR AN ODD FELLOW.**

Governor Russell and Immigration Commissioner John W. Thompson, were initiated as Odd Fellows this week in Manteo lodge, No. 8. Grand Secretary Woodell says Russell is the third governor to whom he has delivered the charge.—Raleigh News.

**THE AMERICAN FLAG.**

The American flag now floats over a land of barbarity. If any one had prophesied this four years ago, he would have been laughed to scorn. Yet change is constantly taking place. Nature is merciless. As soon as she discovers an improvement, the old, whatever it may be, is doomed. The fact that Hostetter's Stomach Bitters, the famous cure for dyspepsia, has remained unchanged for half a century proves its value. Try it for indigestion, biliousness, constipation or malaria, fever and ague, and be convinced. Your case is not insurable. You simply have not used the right remedy. Hostetter's Stomach Bitters is what you need—the sooner the better. It is particularly valuable at this season of the year.

**PRACTICE WITH FLASH LIGHT.**

Capt. Willey, of the revenue cutter Algonquin, had his men at practices early last night with the flash and signal lights of his splendid vessel. The flash light was a "revelation to the natives" and more than one wag was afforded an opportunity of indulging in witticisms about the "queer light in the sky" as it was quaintly expressed by a superstitious darkey up town, who was not acquainted with what was going on down at the government wharf.—Wilmington Star.

DR. BULL'S COUGH SYRUP will give immediate relief to a child suffocating with the dreadful croup. Mothers, keep this reliable medicine always handy and it will save you many uneasy hours. It costs but 25 cents.

"Mr. T. M. Bradley, who some days ago went to Charlotte to take a position with the Postal Telegraph Co., has returned here. He is acquainting himself with the railroad telegraph work." says the Concord Standard.

**Building News.**

We have just received contract from Geo. A. Gray, President Wylie Cotton Mills, Chester, S. C., for all the gravel roofing.

Charlotte Roof & Paving Co. A. C. Dover, Manager.

**Nervous Prostration and Inflammation of the Bladder Cured by Lydia E. Pinkham's Vegetable Compound.**

"DEAR MRS. PINKHAM—I have used your Vegetable Compound for female weakness and it has done wonders for me. I also had nervous prostration—was not able to look after my household. After taking one bottle I began to improve, and am now better in every way and feel like a different person."—Mrs. Della Keiser, Marienville, Pa.

"DEAR MRS. PINKHAM—I cannot praise your Vegetable Compound enough for the good it has done me. I suffered from inflammation of the bladder. I tried doctors, but obtained no relief. At last I decided to write to you, and now, thanks to your remedies, I am entirely cured."—Mrs. K. S. Grady, 131 Union St., High Bridge, New York City.

**Every Day**

In this year we expect our customers and friends to find our office headquarters for bargains in Real estate. We offer to-day two 3 room houses, one 4 room house and room for 4 more houses in a corner lot and desirable street, at a bargain. A small amount of money own and balance on long, easy payments.

This property must be sold and if you want a bargain, call early. We also have other property that is very cheap. We buy, rent, sell and exchange. Call at once and we will save you money.

209 North Tryon St. Hunt Building. Q. C. Phone 44.

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**The Arlington Hotel.**

Under Management of A. A. Springs, who made the March House, at Lexington famous as a leading Hotel. The Arlington has been

**Renovated from Cellar to Garret**

All outside rooms and the largest and best ventilated and lighted in Charlotte.

The table under the new management will be unsurpassed. The traveling men will find the same welcome at the Arlington that was accorded him at the March House.

**Elizabeth College Lots BARGAINS!**

We are prepared to put on the market a portion of those magnificent Elizabeth Avenue lots, included in our big deal of last week. This is the last chance for any speculation in this section of the city. Property is right on the Avenue, and near some of those handsome homes already built.

We can let in on the ground floor the right party with the cash to pay the freight. Location attractive, property attractive. Price attractive. Twenty large beautiful lots will be sold singly or in sections of four lots. Call to the office for particulars.

Two new 4-room cottages, N. Davidson St. for rent at \$40 per month. Two new 7-room cottages, located well in, on Providence Road at \$18 per month. Other rental and sale bargains.

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**YOUR TEETH**

Are either the pride or the bane of your life. A competent dentist like

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Can make you proud of them. Your health is better when your teeth are good. He has made prices of the saving kind on all work. For the best set of upper or lower teeth made, only \$7.50; cement filling, 50c.; Amalgam filling, 50c.; extracting teeth 25c. Office over Belk Bros'.

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Is the Finest Breakfast Food sold

When you open a box of Wheaten retain the enclosed letter and when you have gotten seven letters that spell the word Wheaten come to

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and get a fine set of China. We are sole agents for Charlotte.

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I have opened a shop at 28 N. College St. for the purpose of doing any and all kinds of wood work and upholstering.

I KNOW MY BUSINESS. If I don't satisfy any one customer I will not charge for the job. G. A. CRITCHER, 28 North College Street.

**BUY A HOME**

IN DILWORTH

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**Trustee's Sale.**

Under and by virtue of a Deed of Trust executed to me by J. K. Lee and wife, M. E. Lee, registered in Book 111, Page 287, in office, register of Deeds, Mecklenburg county, North Carolina, I will sell for cash at public auction at the county court house door in the city of Charlotte, North Carolina, on Saturday the 17th day of March A. D. 1900, at 12 o'clock M., all that certain lot of land in the city of Charlotte, North Carolina, Ward No. 1, and being a part of Lot No. 6 in Square No. 229, as shown and designated on Butler's map of said city. Said lot fronting forty feet on the West side of North "D" or Davidson street, and running back towards "C" street with that width between the Lots of M. E. Edwards on the one side and Jno. W. Miller on the other side, one hundred and eighty feet, more or less to an Alley Way.

This February 14th, 1900. R. E. COCHRANE, Trustee. 2-14-tds.

**FURNITURE!**

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**FIELD & GRYDER,**  
841 East Trade Street

**CURES AFTER DOCTORS FAIL.**

I wrote you last summer and you advised me to take Wine of Cardui and Black-Draught. I have taken three bottles of the Wine of Cardui and four packages of the Black-Draught, and I am glad to let you know that I am better ever since I took the first nine doses. When I first commenced taking your medicine I was in bed. I tried several doctors and they didn't do me any good, but now I can do all my work and not get tired. I think I have had all the troubles that could afflict a poor woman; my back hurt, as did my head and legs, and I had sick stomach every time I ate anything. Now I can eat anything and not hurt me and don't get tired. I think this is the best medicine that was ever discovered.  
Mrs. CORA ROBINSON.

**McELREE'S Wine of Cardui**

And yet this case of Mrs. Robinson's is only one of thousands. Every day in the year Wine of Cardui accomplishes wonders for weak suffering women, where doctors failed to bring any permanent relief. Doctors do the best they can, but Wine of Cardui is the one natural remedy for female diseases. It contains the vital elements necessary to strengthen and regulate the delicate menstrual organs. Hence it never fails to benefit—seldom fails to cure. With the convincing evidence published in favor of this wonderful remedy, no suffering woman should hesitate to avail herself of it. That frightful backache, and those dreaded pains in the head and legs quickly vanish under the magic influence of Wine of Cardui. For advice in cases requiring special directions, address, giving symptoms, The LADIES' ADVISORY DEPARTMENT, The Chattanooga Medicine Co., Chattanooga, Tenn.

My wife has been sick four months. The doctors pronounced it nervous prostration. I got her a bottle of Wine of Cardui. She has taken five doses only and it has done her more good than all the medicine she has taken from the doctors.  
IT IS SOLD AT EVERY DRUG STORE.

Trinchera, Col., Dec. 15, 1898.



ARCHER, Marshall Co., Tenn., Dec. 1, 1898.

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E. C. BAUCOM.