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We publish herewith a carefully corrected copy of the Democratic Plan of Organization in North Carelins, as amended and changed at the recent meeting of the State Executive Committee. All Democratic conventions hereafter will be held and all Democratic candidates will be nominated according to this amended plan, and therefore every from the county consent thereto. Democrat should read it and learn its provisions. It is as follows:

PRECINCT ORGANIZATION. 1. The unit of county organization shall be the voting precinct. In each Wicinct there shall be elected by the De. ocratic voters of the several precincts in the meetings first called by the county.

Jast Saturday we

between himself apd

SEC 2. The chan san of the several precinct committees satis compose the county executive committee, which shall meet at the same time and place as the county convention first held in each election year, and elect a chairman of said county committee, who need not be a member of the committee, and he shall preside at all meetings of said committee, and shall hold his place until his successor shall be elected. A majorityby proxy, shall constitute a quorum. The gates to said respective district convencounty committee shall likewise appoint a central committee of five, who shall act in its stead when the county committee

is not in session. 3. In case there shall be a failure on the part of any precinct to elect its executive committee for the period of thirty days, the county executive committee shall appoint said committee from the Democratic voters of said precinct.

4 The mem'ers of the precinct committee shall elect to any vacancy occurring in said committees.

5. The county executive committee shall call all necessary county conventions by giving at least ten days' notice Childrens by public advertisement in three public places in each precinct, at the court house door, and in any Democratic newspaper that may be published in said county, requesting all Democrats of the county to meet in their respective precincts on a common day therein stated, which said day shall not be less than three days before the meeting of the county conventions, for the purpose of electing their delegates to the county conventions. Thereupon, the meetings so held shall elect their delegates to rep resent the precincts in the county conventions from the voters of the respective voting precincts, which delegates, or such of them as shall attend, shall vote the full Democratic strength of their re sperive voting precincts on all questions that may come before said county con ventions. In case no meeting shall be held in any precinct in pursuance of said call, or no election shall be made, he preginct executive committee shall appoint such delegates

there shall, before delegates to the coun- committee, ly convention are elected, be a vote taken for the different candidates for office, whose names may be represented, and the delegates shall vote in the county convention their respective precincts in accordance with their vote: that is to say, each candidate shall receive in the precinct meeting. The chairman and secretary of the precinct meeting shall certify to the county convention the vote received by each candidate at the pre-

cinct meeting. 7 Each precinct shall be entitled to cast in the county convention one vote for every twenty-five Democratic votes, and one vote for fractions of thirteen Democratic votes cast by the township at the last preceding gubernatorial election: Provided, That every voting precinct shall be entitled to cast at least one vote, and each precinct may send as many delegates as it may see fit.

8 The chairmen of precinct committee shall preside at all precinct meetings In their absence any other member of said committees may preside

COUNTY AND DISTRICT CONVENTIONS. 1. The several county conventions shall be entitled to elect to their senstorial, judicial and congressional conventions one delegate and one alternate for every fifty Democratic votes, and one delegate for fractions of over twenty five Democratic votes, cast at the last preced ing gubernatorial election in their respective counties, and none but delegates or alternates so elected shall be entitled Remember money Refunded if De-

vote in each of said conventions. Provided further, That in all county conventions in which delegates shall be selected to attend any State, congressional, judicial or other convention, a vote shall be taken in accordance with the plan of organization as to the candidates whose names may be presented to such county convention. The delegates shall be selected from the friends and supporters of each candidate voted for in proportion to the number of votes he shall receive in such county convention, and no other instructions shall be given : Provided further, That when only one candidate is presented and voted for at such county conventions, it shall be law-

ful to instruct for such candidate. 2. At every county convention, before delegates to State, Congressional, Judicial, Senatorial or other convention are chosen, there shall be a vote taken for the different candidates for office, whose names may be presented, and the delegates shall vote their respective counties in accordance with this svote: that is to say, each candidate shall receive in the State, Congressional, Judicial, Senatorial, or other conventions, the proportion of the vote to which the county may be entitled which he received in the county convention. The chairman and secre-

tify to each convention the vote received by each candidate at the county convention, and no other instruction shall be given: Provided that where only one candidate is presented it shall be lawful

the delegates from the different counties may disregard the vote of their respective counties as to any candidate, provided two-third majority of all his votes

any member of the county, senatorial, judicial and congressional committees, shall call to order their respective conventions, and hold chairmanship thereof until the convention shall elect its chair-

immediately notify the chairmen of the ty executive committees shall forthwith delegates to said respective district dele-

The State convention shall be com posed of delegates appointed by the several county conventions. Each county shall be entitled to elect one delegate and one alternate for every one hundred and fifty Democratic votes, and one delegate for fractions over seventy five Democratic votes, cast therein at the last preceding gubernatorial election, and none but delegates or alternates so elected shall be entitled to seats in said convention: Provided, That every county shall have at least one vote in said con-

1. At all conventions the delegates shall be selected, as near as may be, from the friends and supporters of the

absent delegates-as may be present at any Democratic convention, shall be allowed to cast the whole vote to which their precinct or county may be en

this system, after a vote is cast, there shall be no change in such vote until the final result of the ballot shall be annourced by the chairman of said con-

of delegates and alternates to the differ ent district and State conventions, and a certified list of said delegates and alternates to the State convention shall be-

committee, and of its chairman, to furnish such information and made such reports to the chairman of the State committe as he may desige

DEAR OLD LADY.

There Safely. York to see her son and that she had

He is a Methodist, and I am a Methodist. I taught him when he was a little bit of a boy what was right and what was wrong. He hasn't been back to see me for over a year. I live way out in Missouri, and he couldn't get away this year, but he wanted to see me, and he sent for me to come on. He preaches in a big church there, and he has got a fine

That every county shall have at least one gray hair reposed on the cushion of the

lect tickets, and seeing the peaceful sleep of his passenger was loath to wake her. Finally he leaned over and shook

Where are you going, mother?" "To Albert's," was the quick reply as the eyes behind the glasses opened, and the old woman looked around her for a moment, still unable to tell where she was. The motherly response touck ed a sympathetic chord in the conductor's heart, and he carefully looked after her until the end of the trip and saw her rush into Albert's arms half laughing, half crying. - New York

Squire Drake's Masterpiece. The legal documents issued by some of the country magistrates are drawn up in a very peculiar manner. Following is a ment issued by Squire Drake of Madisonville and reads as follows: "Thomas Dokes makes oath that he has cause to fear, and does fear, that one Sarah F. Amann will unlawfully and willfully and maliciously assault and beat or strike and wound by throwing stones or shoot and kill his wife or some of his children or do them some bodily harm, and did use abusive, pro fane, vile and indecent language to the disturbance of the peace by loud, boisterous talk and threats "-Cincinnati Cossmercial Gazette.

A LITTLE CHILD. piercea the gloom: Bright, golden eurls and innocent white brow, And lips like red rose petals blown apart, And laughing eye of blue! I pray you now, Come yet a little closer to my heart!

Nay, fear me not! Thy shild heart underthere. Love that trusts all and knews not to con-Give me to hold thy tiny, tender hands,

That I may warm my withered soul with

Oh, let me feel-since in my memory No earthly love upon my life hath smiled-That heaven in mercy both reserved for me
The kisses and the clinging of a child.

—Atlanta Constitution.

them!

PROFESSIONAL MOURNERS.

Curious Calabrian Customs Which May Re Observed In New York. In the Italian quarter I found myself the other day in a home which had been

darkened by a double misfortune. A lit-

tle Italian boy had fallen from a fire escape to the street and been instantly came upon the body of her son, went mad with grief and attempted to take her own life. She was taken to the hos-

The boy's body lay upon a table, and a blazing candelabrum stood at its head At the side the boy's foster father and his wife knolt in prayer. Seated about the room was a group of women chanting an Italian death wail. One of the women raised her face, and her quavering voice filled the room: "Happiness has departed from us for-

And the others droued the refrain: "Forever!"

"He will never be absent from our thoughts!" "Never from our thoughts!" And so on, strophe and antistrophe,

the chief wailer leading and the shorus echoing the dismal refrain. It was a sight and a sound to move even the contact with anything, you are perfectly tardy sensibilities of a reporter. Such scenes are not uncommon in the Italian quarter, though they seldom come under the eye of visitors. The professional mourner is an institution in some of the provinces of southern Italy. softer sex-is analogous to the Irish "keener," but with the difference that her wail is more musical than weird,

whereas the "keener" is weird, piercing -almest anything but musical. The Italian wailers—they are called "prefiche" in their native tongue-are doubtless descendants of the professional mourners of ancient Rome. They are me- common, and their office is most clearly defined in the provinces of Abruzzo and Calabria and in Sicily. There they are regularly retained and reward ed with a fee. In other provinces a rel ative of the afflicted family may assume the office and lead the chorus, or the function may be of a wholly miscellaneous character, all the mourners joining

in a song of woe. - New York Herald. President Polk's Nashville Home. The old Polk place on Vine street, the home of Prysident James K. Polk, and the scene of many brilliant gatherings in former days, is viewed with interest by many visitors to. His Many expressions of regret are heard from those who view the picturesque Polk place for the first time that the historic old home stead should have been allowed to fall

into such a state of dilapidation. They think the old place should be maintained in good repair for the sake of the memories that surround it. It has been suggested more than once that it would make an ideal home for the official resi dence of Tennessee's governors. The excuse that can be very properly offered by Nashvillians for the present condition of the Polk place is that they have nothing to do with it, the property being in litigation. It is feared that ultimately, in the division of the property, the old place will be cut up into lots, and

if that is done the home of Polk will become only a memory.—Nashville American.

Not His Funeral. Bluffkins wrote a very bad hand generally, but in writing hurriedly, mak ing an appointment with a friend, he excelled even himself.

He had left the letter lying for half an hour, and on going to address the envelope he happened to glance at his Scarcely a word could be decipher, but calmly inclosing it he said to him-

"After all, what does it matter? It's Hawkins has to read it, not I."-Bos-THE SAME OF SNAPDRAGON. ton Budget

Players Must Be Quick and Not Mind Burned Fingers. Few "Christmas gambols" exist in their original form. But the old games modified to suit modern taste as well as the new ones are just as full of fun and are entered into by the young folks nowadays with as much zest as were the rougher gambols over which in old England the "Lord of Misrule" pre-Christmas merrymakings 200 or 300

years ago, and he made things very lively, such, disorders finally crept into his brief burlesque reign that he was sup One of the most quiet and genial of car seat, and its owner dozed the gambols over which he was master has been handed down under the name of "Snapdragon." Raisins are put into. a large bowl, covered with spirit, which is ignited. Lights in the room are extinguished, and each one attempts in turn to grasp a raisin, a feat requiring some skill and courage. Meanwhile as appropriate accompaniment is the "Song

of the Snapdragon," beginning thus: Here he comes with flaming bowl Don't he mean to take his toll? Snip! Snap! Dragon!

Take care you don't take too much, Be not greedy in your clutch, Snip! Snap! Dragon! With his blue and lapping tongue Many of you will be stung. Snip! Snap! Dragon!

and the same

There is a little girl of 6 who bas proved herself one of the ministering children not in name only. A few weeks ago the baby of the family died. The children as well as the mother had looked forward to hanging up the baby's stocking at Christmas with a great deal of pleasure. But the loss of the baby brought such anguish to the mother that she decided to have no Christmas celebration of any kind. Last Sunday evening, as the family sat in partial darkness, recoulting their loss with all its

"Manima, isn't there any Christmas

in heaven?" "Yes, darling," answered-the weeping mother. "It is always Christmas

"Then why don't you keep it here?" persisted the little girl. "Jus' make b'lieve baby isn't dead, an hang up her little stockin, mamma, an le's all have Christmas jus' the same an be happy, like she is.

The child's wisdom prevailed against the unreasoning sorrow of the mother, and the little ones are happy and busy filling the stocking of the baby who will keep Christmas in heaven.

LIGHTNING AND RUBBERS.

Wear Goloshes During a Thunderstorm You Are Afraid. The one thing which a woman most

dreads-barring, of course, a mouse and being out of style-is a thunder shower. Many most estimable women, of character and force, who can lead great crusades and revolutionize society, go all to pieces at a clap of thunder, and a good many men, too, for that matter. It is not agreeable to be struck by lightning. Nor is it at all necessary. There is a sure preventive—as sure as it is simple, inexpensive and always accessible—a pair of rubbers. If a woman will simply put on a pair of rubbers when the lightning begins to flash and the thunder to roar, and will stand on the floor so that she touches nothing else, she will be as safe as if 'she were

sealed in a glass cage. Rubber is a nonconductor of electricity, and if the lightning has to go through a sheet of rubber to get at you it will leave you alone and take something else. In other words, when you have on a pair of rubbers and are not in

This is not a theory merely. It is a fact proved by innumerable experiences. A pair of rubbers has saved many a life

in a thunderstorm. Last summer Horace W. Felger of Cambridgeport, Mass., was on a pilotboat in Boston harbor, when a thunder shower came up. He was on deck wearing rubber boots, but steadying himself with one hand by a wire cable from the main topmast. Lightning struck the topmast, shivering it into splinters. Down the cable went the current. Folger was knocked unconscious. When he recovered, he was full of aches and pains, but he pulled through. If it had not been for the rubber boots, the current would have passed entirely through him. As it was the current could not get through

his boots, so it passed down the cable. It might be well to add that a pair of rubbers to be effective against lightning must be sound and whole. Do not put on an old pair with a crack in the toebecause electricity will get out of a very small hole when it is cornered, and a pair of defective rubbers will do you no good.—New York Press.

THIS CHINAMAN KNEW ENGLISH A Genius For Expression Equal to His

Scientific Equipment. customary for the Europeans to what is called an "express"-f. c., a special bill printed and delivered quickly by hand, announcing the arrival of any special goods, etc., as a means of advertisement. Our friend John Chinaman at Canton, not to be outdone in this style, issued the following epistle as an "express" last month, and which is highly amusing:

FOR SALE. Best Pepperwint Oil Made From Its Really Leafs.

Can Be Curable For the Sicknesses of Male, Female or Boy. Dizzy.-Use to put or wipe few drops on the

forehead, both sides under eyebrows, noseholes and both sides the back of ears. Fever.-Wipe on the forehead and noseholes Fit.-Wipe most to the noseholes, and drink few drops mixed with tea. Giddy.-Wipe both sides of forehead and Bout or Goutswollen.-Wine both sides of forehead, noscholes and much to the breast. Headache.-Wipe on the forchead and nose holes. Believe us. - Choy Thoong Sung. Tai-pin Gate, Outside Brass Smith Road, Can-

-London Tit-Bits.

Sources of Color.

An interesting enumeration has been made by somebody and published in a technical journal of the sources of color. From this it appears that the cochineal | money. insects furnish the gorgeous carmine, crimson, scarlet, carmine and purple lakes; the cuttlefish gives sepia-that is, the inky fluid which the fish discharges in order to render the water opaque when attacked; the Indian yellow comes from the camel; ivory chips produce the ivory black and boneblack; the exquisite prussian blue comes from fusing horse hoofs and other refuse animal matter with impure potassium carbonate; various lakes are derived from roots, barks and gums; blue black comes from the charcoal of the vine stock; turkey red is made from the madder plant, which grows in Hindustan; the yellow sap of a Siam tree products gam. boge; raw sienna is the natural earth from the neighborhood of Siena, Italy;

raw umber is an earth found near Umbria and burned; india ink is made from burned camphor; mastic is made from the gum of the mastic tree; which grows in the Grecian archipelago; bis- so obtrasive. "What," said he, "can be ter is the soot of wood ashes; very little real attramarine, obtained from the precious lapis lazuli, is found in the market, the Chinese white is zine, searlet is iodide of mercury, and vermilion is from the quicksilver ore cinnabar.

A PHILOSOPHER'S ATTIC. Quaint Combination of Greenery and Hen-

nery Above the City. One of the queerest places in New York can be found in what looks, from the street, to be a funny little gable roofed house perched janntily on one corner of the roof of the Windermere, or Yaty-seventh wreet. It is a conserva-

tory and observatory in one, a miniature roof garden, the den of an attic philosopher, Henry S. Goodale, whose somewhat celebrated daughters, Elaine and Dora, evidently got from him their poetic strain. The attic is reached by a steep nau-

tical flight of steps leading up through a small square hatchway straight into a wonderful greenery of bloom, a snuggery of comfort, likewise a hennery, consisting of one fine brown Leghorn fowl and a single fluffy, yellow chick, and a dovecot, where there are softly whirring wings. It is a charming bit of Argadia, high above the ceaseless ross

and neartheat of a great city, which under its potent spell seems unreal and evantscent, like the undulating, elliptical rings of smoke that float past the "attic" windows. The attic is all windows, except the floor, roof and the simple matched board dado. The little room is a symphony in green; the floor is carpeted with dull green denim; the gabled roof is covered with burlaps of the same hue; a green wicker couch is cushioned in green yachting cloth; a broad green and white striped awning shades the sunny sides of the little house; all the carelessly strewn cushions, though of varying designs and materials, are of the same general hue, and green figured denim draperies on slender brass rods

hang ready to exclude the whole outside world if it is desired. But it is the window gardens that give the greatest charm to the place. Long, deep boxes of country earth and loam give sustenance to thick, tangled clumps of spicy pinks, old fashioned rose bushes and honeysuckle vines, clausbering over wire network trellises, which metaphorically kill two birds with one stone by literally preserving the birds-that is, the hen and her

chick-from disaster and upholding the lacy green drapery of the vines. Of course the ben is not allowed the liberty of this garden in the air, though she keeps a vigilant and determined eye out for opportunities to maraud outside her own domain, which is quite spacious enough to keep her hale and hearty, apparently contented with her lot and graciously disposed in the matter of eggs. Dame Attica Hennica—which is the hen's classical name-evidently belongs to a fine old Latin race of fowls. and her neighbors, the doves, are on the most amicable terms - New York Press .

THE TYPEWRITER'S WORK.

Your Wife May Think She Is Only Ornamental, but She Is Not. Few people imagine the amount of labor involved in a day's typewriting or realize the distance the hand travels in

that length of time. The highest rate of speed ever attained is 200 words a minute. This is supposed to be the result of the most rapid movements the human hands are capable of. The person making this record maintained this speed for only four consecutive minutes and has never been able to exceed that limit.

Assuming the words averaged six letters apiece, 1,200 letters a minute wers

It is estimated that to make each let ter the fingers are raised to a height of two inches from the keybeard. Two inches added for the descending movement make the fingers travel four inches before each letter is struck. So this expert's hand in writing these 200 words traveled 4,800 inches, 400 feet during the minute in which she wrote the 200

But this is unusual, of course. Very rapid writing is a speed of 75 words a minute, and this rate is too fast for comfort. Practical work is 10 pages of legal paper an hour. Each page contains 300

Six hours' steady writing can be regarded as an entire day's work. This is 80 pages-18,000 words, or 108,000 let

If her fingers travel four inches to make each letter, during the day they travel 432,000 inches. This provides for the perpendicular

movement only, and it is fair to increase this distance by one-third to estimate the distance the hands travel over the keyboard in a horizontal direction. The total sum in inches is 576,000 Thin is equivalent to 48,000 feet, or

little over nine miles a day. In a week the hands can cover 54 miles; in a year's steady application to business over 2,800 miles - Bookkeepes A PUZZLED PHILOSOPHER.

Why Should He So Greatly Miss the Things That Are Not?

A philosopher dwelt in a house owned by Cleon. But one day Cleon came to the philosopher and said, "Why have you not sent me the money for last month's rent?" The philosopher said ha knew of no reason except that he had no money, having gotten to the bottom of

his purse. "You will have to move out," said Cleon, "to make room for a cordwainer I know who wants this house and has

Would you, then," said the philosopher, "turn me out when I am so comfortable here, having dwelt in this house

"It is my comfort," said Cleon, "and not yours that I consider." Then you prefer a cordwainer, conclude, to a philosopher." "Ko," said Cleon; "a landlord has

no preference except to prefer rent money to no rent money. So the cordwainer moved into the philosopher's house, and the philosopher

went to live in the mean hovel of the But once there, although contented enough, because he was a philosopher, yet he could not avoid the obtrusive

facts of the absence of all those things which in his former habitation had grown habitual to him. This was the first thing that puzzled him-how that which was not could be

And yet here I am confronted with an obtrusive negation." "I miss," said he again, "a chest of drawers, a table, a fireplace and the scenery from the window where I used to sit. I wonder if it will be so after we are driven out from our bodies because sire to see a man-of-war to wander over death, the final, inexorable landlord, demands a rental we cannot pay.

In time, however, the philosopher gradually ceased being oppressed by the obtrusive memories and grew accustomed to new associations.

"I wonder," said he, "if it will be so when we are immortals-after death at first painful regrets for what we have lost, and in the end nothing of the old but faint memories and a new set of associations. I wonder always and wonder most if philosophy will ever be anything better than clever wondering about the wonderful '-Chicago Open

"But, doctor," she exclaimed at last, thinking he was mistaken in his visitor, pray, do you know who I am? Do you mow-ahem - ray position?"

"Perfectly, madame," was the reply. 'I am prescribing for an old woman with a deranged stomach."-Nineteenth Century.

OVER YONDER, Just over vonder, visions fair are seen,

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And only bridges of sunset lies bytween Where anxious cares and tolk forever case, And reigns o'er all the everlasting peace. Just over yonder, in the bilantal shore Where friends long parted meet to part at

Where life let out to fullness, has begun To shine forth into brightness as the "% ". Just over yonder, through the golden gate.

We pass from time to an eternal state; Where love divine e'er all wields awart com-And ever more with sunshine fills the soul. Just over yonder; the celestial bills

And groves of palms which heavenly muste

And millions who earth's thorny ways have With giad acclaim surround the Throne of Just over yonder, many weary feet

Across the silent way haste friends to greek Within the longed for heavenly home. Thenceforth ne, more from Pather's house to Just over yonder: I may hope to be, And there from all and sorrow to be free,

The song of Moses and the Lamb to sing. And crown the crucified both Lord and king. -J. Byington Smith, in Chirago Standard, A Strategist.

"You had better not ask papa for my and just now," said Birdie McGinute to Pete Amsterdam. "Why not?"

"He is in an awful bad rage. He has just had to may one of my millinery "Now's the time to ask irim. He will want to shove you off on somebody

else. Texas Siftinga -Liszt was one of the kindest of men. He was always ready to oblige young musical artists, and when they played before him frequently gave them valuable points in regard to the channer in which the composition

should have been rendered. cirrots to One of Them, by Munfelpalls thet Here Huge Plumels" fordens. Fire states Iows, Varianti, Michie

gan, Wisconsin and lilinois -have no interest-bearing debt, and there are six or seven other states whose bouded debts are mere bagatelles. Among the number are New Jersey, Nebraska, Kentucky and California. In a current news paragraph, which contains the above information, it is said that "exclusive of the south the states of the union are generally free from debt." and that "the annual interest charge of all the states collectively is less than that of a single railroad, the Atchison, Topeka & Santa Fe." To a foreigner, or anyone else not familiar with the facts, this would convey the impression that the Americans bear an extremely light burden of debt. Such an idea would be somewhat modified, however, says the Cincinnati Times Star, by the knowledge that the Atchison, Topeka & Santa Fe pays interest on \$500,000,000 or more, the annual interest charge exceeding \$25,000,000 almost as much as the entire interest charge of the federal government. It is true that the state debts outside of the south are small, yet the aggregate is far from being a trifle. The souths of \$114,000,000 in round numbers. The

000,000. The total bonded debt of the tates is about one-third of the na-

tional interest-bearing debt. The people of this country would have good reason to consider themselves especially blest in the matter of taxation for interest on public debts if they had nothing more to pay then the interest on the national and state bonded indebtedness. It is the local burdens that weigh heavily upon their shoulders, and, although these debts may be less onerous than those borne in other countries, they are not to be dismissed as matters of ne great importance, as may be done in the case of state debts. The aggregate of county and municipal indebtedness in 1899 was about \$000,000,000 nearly \$280, 000,000 more than the bonded debt of the United States. Of this rast amount about \$846,000,000 was upon municipal-Itles and \$144,000,000 upon countles. It has been frequently said that Ohio boads the list of the states in the amount of local indebtedness. The census figures of 1890 do not confirm this assertion. The county and municipal indebteduess of Ohio in the census year was a little more than \$60,000,000, of which \$59,000,000 rested upon munic ipalities. Pennsylvania had \$31,000, 900 of local debts, Massachusetta set, 900,000 and New York \$144,000,000. 16 the local bonded indebtedness of the various states was disappearing as capidly as is the debt of the United States, there would be ample cause for congratulation. But it has been tast increasing for many years, and in the proceedings of the legislatures that recently adjourned there was nothing to show that the reckless disposition for heaping up local burdens

tas abstort. YANKEES FULL OF CURIOSITY Visitors to War Ships Show the Great

National Characteristic. Whenever a ship of the United States is anchored in an American harbor, says the Washington Star, the officers are sure that they will have to serve the purpose of the curiosity seekers. "The great American public," said one of so entirely nonexistent as a negation! Uncle Sam's noble seamen the other day, "Is fully aware that it owns its share of a battle ship or a ganboat. and it intends to have the worth of its money when an opportunity offers " Is is claimed by the officers that they do not object to allowing persons who dethe ship and see what it is like, but they do object to the curiosity of some persons who insist in coming into the wardroom and going through their cabins and all their private effects, as if they owned those articles as well as the ship. San Diego, Cal., is said to be the place most abhorred by officers on socount of curiosity seckers. One of them said that a man could not lie down in his cabin and get the sleep necessary to stand watch without being roused out with the exclamation: "Why, here's one of 'em, and he's asleep. Come and look, girls." At other times the crowd would gather around the skylight over the wardroom and watch the officers at meals, making such comments as they chose on the appearance of the men and what they were eating, as if they had been a part of a menagerie that had just been fed. "Save us from riding at an at San Diego," say the officers who ha

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DURHAM, N. C., THURSDAY, MAY 14, 1896. Democratic Platform of Organiza- tary of the county convention shall cer-

to instruct for bim. At all State and district conventions

2. The chairman, or, in his absence,

4. The executive committees of the

members as cl Coman, who shall preside of their respective chairmen, meet at some time and place in their respective districts designated in said call. And it shall be their duty to appoint the time and place for holding conventions in their respective districts; and the chairmen of said respective committees shall different county executive committees of the said appointment, and the said councall conventions of their respective counties in conformity to said notice, to send

STATE CONVENTION.

candidates voted for, 2. Such delegates or alternates of

3. In all conventions provided for by

4. All Democratic executive committees shall have the power to fill any vacancies occurring in their respective 5. The chairmen of the different county conventions shall certify the list

SEC. 6. At every precinct meeting sent to the secretary of the State central 6. It shall be the duty of the county

> She Wrs Going to "Albert's" and Reached An old woman wearing a pair of gold eyeglasses was a passenger on one of the trains from Buffalo to New York. She had come through from the west, and the nervous way in which she gathered her bundles around her and the number of questions she asked all showed that she was not accustomed to traveling. When the trainboy came through with his assortment of books, she confided to him the facts that she was going to New

> not seen him for over a year. She grew talkative and said: "My son Albert's a great preacher.

family growing up' tened to her attentively and succeeded in selling her a copy of "The Quick or sided. Although the authority of this the Dead?" solemnly assuring her that lord was generally acknowledged at it was a Methodist religious book. When he left her, she began to read it, calmly at first, then nervously, until she grew tired. Then she began to nod, and finalo seats in said convention: Provided, ly the book slipped to the floor. The

> peacefully. The conductor came through to colher gently and said:

> sample of one of them. It is a commit

A Bit of Pathos at Christmastide. sad circums, nces, a tender little voice