The Messenger.

GLADSTONE

God only is great. Man perishes and the name of the "foremost men in the sies of time" become but a memory. Man dies, but his "deeds live after "him." The illustrious William Ewart Gladstone is dead. He passed away on Wednesday morning, May 18th, at 5 wclock, at his home at Hawarden castle where he was married more than half a century ago. "How are the taighty fallen." On Tuesday last the very greatest of all living men was of "his world, a living being. On Wednesday the soul of the statesman had fled its crumbling tenement of clay, and asmended, we may not doubt, to the home of the blessed, returning unto the thighty God who created it. Peace for- hasten to a close of this rapidly written group, for the most marvellous man of | mighty name. If we ever loved in our this globe latterly-"a burning and a shining light"-has left the scenes of his usefulness and triumphs here to redurn to move among the children of most inspiring and impressive personmen in this sublunary and transitory ality. They were as pure and noble sphere.

When we take our pencil to indite a dribute to the "noblest Englishman of them all"--the statesman of all others we have admired and lauded through the decades, we wish we had followed lutely the most wonderful voice of the the English custom, and had prepared century-he dealt but little in tropes at our leisure, and with all possible care, a sketch of his long public life imaginative and rich in his rhetoric as and splendid services to his country, to his age, to humanity. The best tribute to his great merits we have aiready gaid-an old man on another continent, Thousands of miles away, weeping over the dead statesman, bound in cerements and encoffined, awaiting the more than Gladstone the adornments closing scenes of all "dust to dust, ashes to ashes." The mortal part will lie in the peaceful God's Acre at Hawarden but the immortal part is with God. "Blessed is the man that trusteth in the Lord, and whose hope the Lord is." "But these are witten that robust nature in him-a genuine seam ye might believe that Jesus is the Christ, the Son of God; and that be-Gleving ye might have life through His mame." His end was peace.

Mr. Gladstone was born 29th December 1809 at Liverpool. He was therefore 88 years of age on his last birthday. He was born the same year on which many very gifted and very eminent men were born. In that year the great Alfred Tennyson was born, as were Charles Darwin, and Elizabeth Barrett Browning, the greatest female poet of modern times, Oliver Wendell Holmes and others of celebriety. Gladstone and Tennyson were friends always. The great statesman had an exalted opinion of the genius of the greatest English poet since John Milfon, as had Thackeray, who said he twas "the wisest man he ever knew." What a grand, majestic ode the poet would write now if among the earthly diving. He would have a higher, more inspiring theme than when he produced that immortal "Ode" on Wellington. But the poet preceded the statesman anto the glory land beyond "this vale of tears" by more than five and a half

We do not propose to follow the almost unique career of Mr. Gladstone. It would require columns to write even an abstract of his labors. He entered public life in 1832, and retired four years ago. His career was of unusual Tength, of great results to humanity, of almost unrivalled benefit to his countrymen, of great manifestations of noble gifts, of exalted statesmanship, of high commanding eloquence. Three times he was Prime Minister of his wast country. He was the leader-the creator-of the Liberal party. He was reared and educated a Tory, entered parliament as one, but he soon worked clear of such weights and trammels and became not only the greatest -statesman of his country for this teeming century in surprises, inventions and conquests, but the truest, most unselfish friend of suffering humanity . sound the world.

When he completed his 88th birthday, the very accomplished, scholarly, able Lord Salisbury, of the Tory party, and wow Premier, said that he regarded Mr. Gladstone as the greatest stateschan England has had since parliamentary government began. That means for two hundred years. It means that was greater than Burke or Chatham Pitt or Peal, or any of the greatest statesmen. We believe that he deservthis very high, supremest compliment from his greatest living opponent in politics.

Mr. Gladstone will be regarded hereafter in his own great country as the enost successful and the most conspicucousing great leader in the cause "of Fostice and right, of honor and freedom, . of wence and good-will-the greatest commoner of the century, the Grand Old Man." He is unlike any other statesman of our century in the comeleteness and rounded excellence of his personal character and most unique personality. Beyond all other men he has been the most forceful, commanding leader. No man of this century has been so much abused, slandered, Rampooned as Gladstone, and yet, we not doubt, that he is the foremost, the most unselfish, the most useful and ablest of all English statesmen. He was never popular with the nobility or watty, with the clergy and the legal class, but was cordially hated and Mitterly assaulted and satirized. But great middle-class, and here and there men of genius and high education all classes honored him above all thers, knowing his purity, his honesty, his devotion to right, and loved him for personal worth if not "for his ene-Rev. Dr. J. L. M. Curry, ex-

people of this country, amid all the vilification that has been heaped upon his head, recognize in that name the greatest orator and most illustrious genius who has ever served his country." He said: "The people love and follow because they have unquestioning and unstinted confidence in his sincerity and integrity, his want of self-seeking, his dicinterestedness. . . He dares to array himself against the demands of the hour, to stand up, if alone, for the right and the just and the enduring." Dr. Curry wrote that after a close

study of Gladstone in his own country. If we had space and time, we would delight to make a survey of his chief performances in statesmanship and oratory, and in theology and literature, (for he wrote and published enough for any literary man not burdened with the affairs and cares of state), but we must ever to that soul! Let the nations article-a tiny leaf laid before his heart any men we never saw in the flesh it was Tennyson and Gladstone, men of the highest gifts and of the and great in soul as they were in genius. It would be an inviting task to make a critical study of Gladstone's exalted oratory and mortal make-up. Although so great an orator-with absoand figures. He did not seek to be was the great Burke. He even lacked simplicity owing to his excessive subtility and refining. But he was beyond all fair question the very greatest orator of his long career, unless John Bright shall be excepted, who sought of speech. He had what no other statesman seemed to have, a high spiritual power, a decided preponderance of the moral element which traversed his whole character and formed his life, his thinking, his action. There was a "of primitive granite."

> He was learned, vastly read, a student, an observer, a philosopher. He was critic, essayist, statesman, orator, practical administrator, financier (foremost of all) a master of all details without a rival, intensely industrious, consumingly in earnest, with wide, most varied versality. His library amounted to more than 30,000 volumes, and he was a great reader almost to the very end. He had a reputation for personal honor that no malignant can ever assail. Thrice he declined an Earldon and died plain Mr. Gladstone, the greatest of all Commoners. We have before us what John Stuart Mill and Chamberlain, and John Morley and J. A. Froude and John Bright and others said of him. We give but one-what his great rival in oratory, said to a lady who was abusing Gladstone, "Has your son ever seen Mr. Gladstone?" "No," she said. "Then take him at once to see the greatest Englishman he is ever likely to look upon." He loved music, (played well) loved the arts, he loved his home, and he might have said in Leigh Hunt's happy line-

"Write me then As one who loves his fellow men."

No man was ever blessed with a purer, better, nobler wife-"a help meet" to him indeed. Alas! alas! "The silver cord" of the great man's life is broken, but all is well, for "his heaven commenced ere the world be past." For him, in the early hour of Wednesday it was "the dawn of the morning," while to his dear good wife and children it was "the solemn good night." The grandest of men who through so long a pilgrimage "kept the whiteness of his soul" will live forever "in fame though not in life." The great statesman now reposes in peace and rest in the bosom of the Father.

How to Look Good.

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HOME FOLKS

The governor still dashes his pen in behalf of convicts tried and found guilty and sentenced. That one-man pardoning business is as full of mischief as a dead horse is of maggots. It fairly stinks in the public nostrils. How long! How long!

We learn from our friend Colonel Burr, a walking cyclopedia of the past in this section, that Rear Admiral Winslow was born here, but his father and paternal ancestry belonged to Massachusetts.

Colonel Jule Carr takes 100 veterans to the Charlotte celebration, like the generous fellow he is. He pays all expenses. He has also promised to take care of any families who may suffer at Durham because of the departure of helps in the men who have volunteered. He has already taken the initial step to fulfill his benevolent purpose. If all rich men were such great hearted, philanthropic men what a deal of misery and suffering would be lessened in this sin-corrupted world.

To show what a great catch it would be to have collusion and combining between democrats and populists it is necessary to turn to that resolution of The only Pills to take with Hood's Sarsaparite

Minister to Spain, wrote of him: "The | indorsement of Dan Russell's kick-ups as governor. Think of a democrat outside of the lunatic asylum daring to indorse Russell's wild escapades and insufferable nuisance to the liberties of a free people. Look at Wilmington! Look at New Bern! Behold and wonder! But Russell's high kicking would be nothing to the kicking of the solid democrats who despise a dicker if a combine with Russell and Butler were to be the consummation at Raleigh when the party through its delegates assembles

On 20th May, at Charlotte, there will be formed the States Historical Socitty. It is of importance to the whole people of North Carolina. All interested should attend, and especially educated editors and teachers. No state has been more indifferent as to gathering the materials of history than North Carolina. The unwritten, unpublished memorabilia have either perished altogether already or are buried in the minds of living men who will not place them in written form and let their fellow-men be edified and entertained. The most interesting parts of a people's history often remain unknown because unwritten. If we had some man to do for North Carolina what Walter Scott did for his native Scotland the romance of our state would delight the world. Let every one (the highest bid. We will throw out to who feels a real interest in North Carolina memorials of the past go to Charlotte and attend the formation of the so much needed State Historical

BREVITIES.

The commander of the Flying Squadron has a good Southern attachment or prefix to his name, Commodore Winfield Scott Schley, the last pronounced "Sly." He is a native of Maryland, aforetime classed as Southern,

Ther is a young Fitz Lee who will be on his father's staff-probably a chip of the old block."

Newspapers abroad poke fun at the North Carolina deserters. Out of thirty from Wilkesboro fifteen played the part of Bob Acres. Better by far never done so and then back squarely down. What a difference between 1861 and 1898! The cause! the cause! Men of the South wanted to fight in the great war, for their heart was in it.

Spain has a new war cabinet. Vigorous action the aim, and an alliance with Rusia and France if possible.

It is announced now that Cuba's invasion will no longer wait upon the movements of the Spanish Admiral. But suppose he should get among the transports. The Manila affair would prove a farce besides this tragedy on the high seas.

Consumption Positively Cured.

Mr. R. B. Greeve, merchant, of Chilhowie, Va., certifies that he had consumption, was given up to die, sought all medical treatment that money could procure, tried all cough remedies he could hear of, but got no relief; spent many nights sitting up in a chair; was induced to try Dr. King's New Discovery, and was cured by the use of two bottles. For past three years has been attending to business and says Dr. King's New Discovery is the greatest remedy ever made as it has done so much for him and also for others in his community. Dr. King's New Discovery is guaranteed for Coughs, Colds and Consumption. It don't fail. Trial bottles free at R. R. Bellamy's drug store.

News Items From Chadboarn. (Correspondent of The Messenger.)

Chadbourn, N. C., May 19. Captain S. F. Parrott, who recently resigned the editorship of The Conway, (S. C.,) Independent Republic, and enlisted in Uncle Sam's volunteer army, came up from Conway yesterday evening on his way to join his company at Columbia. Several young men of Chadbourn accompanied him from here and will enlist in one of the South Carolina companies. Their names are Isaac White, John Smith, Robert Jones, David Potter, and Mr.

Misses Anna and Alice Brown are spending the week with friends in

Wilmington. The enterprising citizens of Fair Bluff have organized a publishing company, purchased a printing outfit, and are making arrangements to print The Times at home. This makes four printing offices in Columbus county.

In Tatni's township near Chadbourn, on last Sunday evening, a seere hail storm did serious damage to tobacco, cotton and strawberries. The storm lasted thiry minues.

The Irish potato crop in the vicinity of Chadbourn is large. Growers will commence shipping potatoes last of next week.

Farmers from all portions of Columbus county say the severe storms and cold weather of the past month have greatly retarded the growth of corn and cotton. The cotton plants are small and sickly.

west will arrive in Chadbourn this week. Their destination is the new Homewood colony near Conway, S. C. which is now the land prospector's Mecca since the Inds in Sunny South colony have nearly all been sold. Several thousand acres of the new colony land will be farmed on the cooperative plan under one management. Professor Siles an agricultural expert, will have charge of the work. In bringing these intelligent, thrifty westerners into this section and finding them farms and homes, our fellow townsman, ex-Senator J. A. Brown, and his associates are accomplishing a work of industrial development for Eastern, North and South Carolina, the value of which cannot be over estimated.

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When the democratic city administration went out of office, two years ago, it turned over to the incoming republican administration the sum of \$9.048. Now the outgoing republican board turns over to the new democratic board the sum of \$3,901-a difference in favor of the democrats of \$5,247 .- Winston Sentinel.

Most of the counties that have held conventions have adopted resolutions carefully considered and drafted. Some of them would be creditable as state or even national platforms. From them and their uniformity of expression of principles, no one can fail to fully understand the issues of the campaign upon which we are about entering. The democratic party, and all who act with it, stand for financial reform, the free coinage of silver, an income tax, a tariff for revenue economy, the restriction of corporate power, war upon trusts and unholy combinations, opposition to and the curtailment of the judicial powers to the proper and legitimate scope of the judicial department of our government, laws just and equal to all with special privileges and favors to none, white men in office and power over white men, white managers and controllers of schools for white children, competency, decency, integrity faithfulness in office. For these the democratic party will contend in both state and nation.-Burlington News. We know that co-operation with them

as a distinct organization will give them new strength and new life to play seesaw in the future between the two old parties to flop to wrichever side makes them the very chain by which they will in the future bind us hand and foot If we fuse we must the balance of our lives nurse and pet, with trembling anxiety. Mr. Butler's favor or stand in cowardly fear of his menace and power to throw us back in the clutches of negro ism. If we attempt to assert our manhood by resisting his demands back to the negroes and goldbug republicans h will go, and we must fight over again th battle we have nearly won. Political annais fail to reveal a more double-faced, spoils-hunting, and corrupt policy than that exhibited for the last six years by Mr. Butler and his co-leaders. For office they wilfully and deliberately allie themselves with the negroes in the state and made open war against the white men. * * With unrelenting malice and hatred they have from the hour of their political birth to this day denounced us in the bitterest and vilest language. They have accused us of every crime known to the history of politics. They have charged us as being "political thieves and cut-throats" and "bribed tools of plutocracy." They have branded us as a "band of organized liars and de-They have slandered and kick ed and spit upon us. And now we are asked by democratic leaders to crouch and crawl before the feet of Butler and his co-leaders and, like cowardly spaniels, try to lick ourselves back into then favor! Conventions can not bind and parties cannot pledge its members to such humiliation. * * They know that Butler and his co-leaders are silver man like Judas Iscariot. They know that they are anything and for anything for office-that to get office they would sell out the professed principles of their own party, ignore and scorn the racial sent! ments and instincts of the white men betray any friendship, violate any pledge with anxious and willing readiness. For office they have done this once. For office they will do this again. Our papers leaders, candidates and stump speakers have taught the honest, manly democratic masses that the Butlerites were office hunters, republicans and goldbugs in sheep's clothing-that they were traitors to the white men and allies of the negroes.-Claude Kitchin in Scotland Neck Commonwealth.

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NORTH CAROLINA

Goldsboro Argus: Rev. W. F. Lovelace, the new rector of St. Stephen's parish, officiated for the first time in St. Stephen's church yesterday morning, in the presence of a large congregation, who were greatly pleased. His sermon was earnest, eloquent and persuasive. Raleigh Post: Mr. T. K. Bruner leaves today for Omaha, Nebraska, where he goes to arrange the North Carolina exhibit at the Trans-Mississippi and International exhibition. Mr. Bruner will be in charge of the North Carolina exhibit, which includes some of the finest specimens of state products taken from the

Charlotte Observer: Mr. John Schenck had an unpleasant experience last night, one which came near preventing his taking the 8:20 train for Greensboro, as he intended. He was standing by the elevator opening on the office floor, at the Central Hotel. Mr. Schenck thought the elevator was down. He intended going up stairs to see a friend. Turning to butler he said: "Take me up stairs," and without looking, stepped backward, as he supposed into the elevator. He fell through the shaft to the ground, a distance of fifteen feet. He struck his hip on a beam that was a part of the shaft, and was painfully but not seriously hurt He cut his hands on some broken glass in the cellar.

Louisburg Times: A white woman by the name of Mrs. Parrish, came to Louisburg one day this week, and reported that she had walked all the way from Henderson, with the exception of about two miles and a half-a kind friend having allowed her to ride in his buggy that distance. She said she ran away from her husband, whom she had married only four or five months ago, be cause he had mistreated and threatened to kill her. She remained here one night and was taken care of by Mrs. Pinnell We learn that the husband having heard of her flight, repented and sent her money to pay her expenses to Franklinton, where he met her and accompanied her to Raleigh. She was making her way to Goldsboro where her mother lives. Greenville Reffector: There were many sad hearts in town Sunday night when it was learned that Dr. Frank W. Brown was dead. He passed away about 8 o'clock, at his home on Third street, after an illness of only ten days. He was in his 39th year, and was one of the best physicians in Eastern North Carolina. -There was a serious cutting scrape here today. Moses King, the colored policeman, was trying to arrest George Green. Green was trying to escape by getting on the freight train at the depot when King called to Jim Latham, colored, to help him. Latham ran in to Green when the latter pulled a razor and gave Latham a murderous swipe. The razor first split Latham's hat brim and then taking hold of the flesh near the corner of his eye made an awful gash down the side of his cheek around to the chin. Though cut severely Latham downed his man and held him until King could tie

Portrait of the Late Dr. A. J. DeRosset. A large handsome oil portrait of the late Dr. A. J. DeRosset has just been painted and will soon adorn the walls

of the Produce Exchang. The picture is a good likeness of Dr. DeRosset and is certainly a work of art. It was painted by Mrs. D. H. Lippitt,



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