The Ivy from Lee's Grave.

The disappearance of the ivy taken from Robert E. Lee's grave and planted by the last graduating class of Yale on the campus by the library walls is due without doubt to some sectional fanatic, who may have really believed he was doing God and country service in removing it. The college authorities attempted to explain the mysterious disappearance of the creeper by saying that relic hunters have made way with it, but if they believe this themselves they have not succeeded in pursuading any one else to believe it. Nevertheless, we do not doubt that a majority of the good people of the North will frown upon this exhibition of bigotry in refusing to allow the harmless sprig of ivy to remain unmolested. Certainly the majority of the Northern papers condemn it, and the following from the Philadelphia Record is a fair example of the light in which they view the matter:

The theft of the Robert E. Lee ivy from its bed near one of the walls of Yale University, where it was only recently planted by the graduating class of '96, has probably been the work of a bigot instead of a mere vandal of curios. Such a climax to the unhappy controversy over the original acceptance of the ivy is nothing short of disgraceful. One may question the strict appropriateness of such an ivy among the old elms of New Haven; yet, since the Southern members of the class carried the day on their proposition to plant it, the ivy should have been left to flourish to that green old age when such deeds of narrow-minded rancor would be unheard of. Yale counts many Southerners among her sons, and she would not have needed to blush for her romantic memorial of one of the noblest Americans—even if a Confederate leader—who ever lived.

The States are still making slow improvement in fraternity, let us hope.—Charlotte Observer.

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Dr Tyre York now says the Democratic party has come back to him. He is a candidate for presidential elector in the 8th district.

The Hickory Times is the name of a new Democratic paper at Hickory, issued by Editor J. R. Whichard, formerly of the Salisbury Herald.

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GENERAL NEWS.

They say Bryan wears a number 7⅛ hat.

The University of Pennsylvania has challenged Yale to play a game of football.

Sanders Garland, son of Ex-Attorney General Garland, has joined the Republicans.

The people of Buffalo, N. Y., are giving much attention to the culture of mushrooms.

Fusion of all the silver elements —Dems., Pops. and Reps.— has been effected in Colorado.

The war in Cuba still continues. The rebels were recently defeated in several engagements.

Mrs. Lease and ex-Gov. Lewelling have made peace. They have been at outs for quite a while.

The papers say that 50% of the Republicans of Oswego county, New York, have declared for Bryan.

Gov. Oates has forbidden foot ball games by the University of Ala. boys except on the University Campus.

The Socialists of Missouri have put out a State ticket. They cast 1500 votes at the last election in that state.

Lord Chief Justice Russell, of England, spoke before the American Bar Association at Saratoga, N. Y., last week.

The Washington Post says Bourke Cochran's Madison Square speech, replying to Bryan, was a dismal failure. The Post is a gold paper, too.

Dr. Nansen, the Norwegian North Pole hunter, says that the only thing which kept him from reaching the North pole during his recent trip up that way, was the lack of dogs.

Tillman was hissed at Mt. Gretna, Penn., last Friday. He was to be the star attraction at a meeting held in connection with the Lebanon county fair, but his speech did not take.

Prof. F. W. N. Crouch, author of "Kathleen Mavourneen," died at Portland, Me., last week. He served in the Confederate army, was married four times, and was the father of 27 children.

It is not at all unlikely that a combination ticket will be put in the field by the Republicans, National Democrats and Populists in some of the Southern States, perhaps in Alabama, Texas and Florida.—Charlotte Observer.

The sound money Democrats expect a big convention at Indianapolis. Senator Palmer, General Bragg and Congressman W. D. Bynum are spoken of as presidential nominees by that party. Gen. Buckner, of Ky., is the only name mentioned for vice-president.

George W. Smalley, the famous American editor-author, has been granted a two months' holiday by his paper, the London Times, and has gone abroad on a special mission for The Ladies' Home Journal. He has engaged to prepare a short series of articles for that magazine, and is gathering the material for them in Europe. The work will necessitate his spending part of the summer in England, and the remainder in Germany.

The State Prohibitionist met in Salisbury last week. Only eight counties were represented, and the convention was a small affair. The following ticket was put up: For Governor, James R Jones, of Greensboro; Lieutenant Governor, H J Dowell, Raleigh; Secretary of State, Thomas P Johnson, Salisbury; Treasurer, Jonas Hoffman, Dallas; Auditor, A C Sherrill, Granite Falls; Superintendent of Public Instruction, G W Holmes, Yadkin College. State electors were also nominated.

The death of Sir John Millais so soon after his election to the presidency of the British Royal Academy is in one sense doubly pathetic. And yet in another aspect it is a matter for universal congratution throughout the world of art that the greatest painter of the Preraphaelitics should have lived not only to see the apotheosis of the Rossetti renascence, but also to sit in the highest chair of that Academy which began by ridiculing his pictures. Millais had long survived all his early comrades save Holman Hunt, and has passed away, like Baron Frederic Leighton, rich in honors and in fame.—Philadelphia Record.

STATE NEWS.

The eighth district Populists have endorsed Congressman Linney.

Five State banks have bexn established in North Carolina in the last few months.

W. W. Teague is Populist elector for the 8th district. He is a singing school teacher.

Buncombe Democrats, last Saturday, nominated Chas N Vance and D M Luther for the legislature.

The Rockingham county Populists have endorsed W. W. Kitchin, the Democratic nominee for Congress in the fifth district.

L C Caldwell says to the Salisbury World that it is not certain that he will resign his office as mayor of Statesville on account of his change of political faith.

The Raleigh Correspondent of the Charlotte Observer recently sent that paper the news that the American Tobacco Co. would spend $200,000 in this State to beat Cyrus B. Watson.

The Patterson Manufacturing Company, of China Grove, will increase its capital stock $90,000. The money will be expended on a new 5000 spindle mill. At present this mill is running night and day.

The sound money Democrats met at Greensboro yesterday to elect delegates to Indianapolis. Among those who signed the call for this convention, we notice the names of Sol. Weill, of Wilmington, Jno C Tipton, of Rutherfordton, and Jno D Shaw, of Rockingham.

The Seaboard Air Line has adopted the private telepraph and alarm call, the invention of Will. Wynne, of this city. It was fully tested by Mr. Williams, superintendent of telegraphs. The new system will be immediately put in operation between Raleigh and Charlotte.—Raleigh Cor. Charlotte Observer.

Republicans here vouch for the statement that Dockery will support McKinley. His friends say this. Populists deny it and say he has given his word he will vote for Bryan and Watson, but that if it is true that he is for KcKinley, Populists are no longer bound to support him.—Raleigh Cor. Charlotte Observer.

The Santification services and recent shouting scenes of St. John church seem to be centered at Elm St. chapel just now. Reports from there say that the modest little edifice is thronged at every night service and that large numbers flock around the altar. There are several churches all through the county where this doctrine is being preached just now and many believers have endorsed it and claimed to have experienced that perfection of christian character —Goldsboro Argus.

Ian Maclaren's new short story, the last he will write until after his American visit, has been secured by The Ladies' Home Journal for publication in the October and November issues. It is called "The Minister of St. Bede's," and is said to be in the brightest and cleverest Maclareresque vein. Besides its charm as a delightful romance, the story is said to be notable for the admirable character that the author has created for the chief personage—the minister of St Bede's, as the loyal lover of an humble Scotch lassie.

Rev. Dr. H. Y. Satterlee, Bishop of Washington City, and father of the rector of Grace Episcopal church in Morganton, has been commissioned by the Church of England and the Protestant Episcopal church of America to visit the Czar of Russia and intercede with him in behalf of the Armenians. This is a most honorable, responsible and delicate position, and could not have been given to one in all respects better qualified to discharge its duties than Bishop Satterlee.—Morganton Herald.

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LITERARY NOTES.

Lafcadio Hearn is blind. He is in Japan.

Emile Zola is writing a book on Venice.

In the month of July 160 books were published.

Gerald Massey, the poet, is thought to be fatally ill.

England has raised $10,000 for a memorial to Thomas H. Huxley.

Gladstone has in preparation an edition of Butler's Analogy with notes.

George Ebers says he has not become a Buddhist, as he has been charged.

Sir Arthur Sullivan has made $50,000 from the sale of "The Lost Chord."

Regina A Hilliard is a Tennessee literary woman who has lately come into notice.

Rose H. Thorpe, who wrote "Curfew Must not Ring To-Night" lives in at San Diego, Cal.

James Lane Allen has in preparation a book on the romantic characters and incidents of Kentucky history.

A German doctor charges Tolstoi of plagiarism. He is said to have stolen one of Bernardine Saint Pierre's stories.

Thomas Wentworth Higginson is said to have the finest collection of books on women, of any person in Europe or America.

Shakespeare's largest play is Hamlet. It contains 4,058 lines. The "Comedy of Errors" is his shortest play and contains 1,807 lines.

It is said that 50,000 copies of Geo. Meredith's "Amazing Marriage" in one volume were sold during the first week of its recent appearance in London.

Angus Evans Abbott now announces that he is the author of the anonymous English book, "God Give My Donkey Wings," which recently appeared in London.

James Annand, late editor of the Newcastle Leader, rose from the blacksmith's forge to the editoral chair. He learned Latin and higher mathematics while shoeing horses, and his experience in London journalism formed the basis of Barrie's romance, "When a Man's Single."

Doughton in the Eighth.

WILKESBORO, Aug. 20.—The congressional convention met as advertised. A C McIntosh was permanent chairman, and R A Deal chief secretary. Webb, Bower, Hackett and Doughton were put in nomination. Bower led on the first ballot. Hackett withdrew on the eighth ballot. E B Jones was put in nomination on the ninety-ninth ballot. Bower withdrew on the hundred and thirtieth ballot, though still leading. Doughton was nominated on the one hundred and thirty-second ballot, receiving 166 votes. There was great enthusiasm. The nomination was made unanimous. Doughton was borne to the speaker's stand on the shoulders of friends and made a ringing speech. Bower, Hackett and Jones made great speeches.

It was the largest, best-looking, most enthusiastic and most orderly congressional convention that ever met in North Carolina. Edmund Jones was re-elected chairman of the executive committee. The executive committee will select the presidential elector. Every county had a large delegation. There was not much change of the votes for the candidates ont he different ballots—each man held his strength well.

The man is named who will beat Linney. It will be the hottest canvass ever had in the district. The convention balloted twelve hours. The nomination was made at 12:30 to-day.

A vote of thanks was extended to the officers for their able manner in conducting the convention. Owing to sickness Mr. Webb could not address the convention.

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Doctor McCosh's Prayer.

An amusing story of the fervor and forgetfulness of President McCosh of Princeton, vouched for by a graduate of that university, is told in the Newark Call:

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One morning after he had read the notices, a student came up with another notice that Professor Karge's French class would be at nine o'clock that day instead of half past nine, as usual. Doctor McCosh said it was too late, but the student insisted that Professor Karge would be much disappointed if the notice were not read.

The exercises went on, and the doctor forgot all about the notice. He started to make the final prayer. He prayed for the president of the United States, the members of the cabinet, the senators and representatives, the governor of New Jersey, the mayor and other officials of Princeton, and then came to the professors and instructors in the college.

In the meantime Professor Karge's notice came into his mind, and the assembled students were astonished to hear the president say, "And, O Lord, bless Professor Karge, whose French class will be held this morning at nine o'clock, instead of half-past nine, as usual." Youth's Companion.

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Leave Gastonia	10 20 am	10 10 pm
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Leave Newton	12 40 pm	12 12 am
Leave Hickory	1 10 pm	12 50 am
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Leave Gastonia	6 54 pm	9 55 am
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Leave Yorkville	7 40 pm	7 46 am
Leave Gutheriesville	7 57 pm	7 57 am
Leave McConnellsville	8 20 pm	8 28 am
Leave Lowrysville	8 48 pm	8 46 am
Arrive Chester	9 20 pm	9 18 am

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Leave Gutheriesville	8 20 am	
Leave Yorkville	8 50 am	
Leave Clover	10 02 am	
Leave Gastonia	12 10 pm	
Leave Lincolnton	1 50 pm	
Leave Newton	2 00 pm	
Leave Hickory		10 00 pm
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Leave Lenoir	5 00 am	
Leave Hickory	5 45 am	
Leave Newton		7 [illegible] pm
Leave Lincolnton		7 [illegible] pm
Leave Gastonia		12 [illegible] pm
Leave Clover		1 [illegible] pm
Leave Yorkville		2 [illegible] pm
Leave Gutheriesville		2 [illegible] pm
Leave McConnells		2 [illegible] pm
Leave Lowrysville		3 [illegible] pm
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July 24, 1896. RICHARD BARKER.