

For the COURIER. The State of Our Country.

DEAR EDITOR:—Whatever infidelity may say or pretend to believe to the contrary, there are underlying moral reasons for every de- rangement of natural laws in our world. The God of the Bible is the God of Nature; and the physical laws which he has ordained for the regulation of the seasons were the out- gushings of his benevolence for man's happiness, fully as much as a divine revelation was intended to put him back in possession of the last image of his maker.

During the past week, old Dame Nature has made some great and serious blunders. The zephyrs of a few days fanned the vegetable world with sweet caresses, inviting the shrubbery and vegetable king- doms to smile and sparkle in the genial sunlight with aromatic aroma; and in the very height of their floral sweetness, she changed her tactics and locked all these beauties in the crystals of death!

All may read the moral reason in that system of legislation which authorizes and licenses our fellow citizens to manufacture the fruits of our country into destructive poisons, and others to sell them to the silly ones of our homes and households. The talent is abused, and God sends his physical sheriff to destroy the source of human destruction.

And I declare to you to-day that, if men do not suppress the distilla- tion of corn, rye and barley into whiskey, our support from these cere- als will be much shortened in the coming future.

O, will not Christian men and politicians open their eyes to these great moral truths till God shall write "Ephabod" upon all our departed glories? Cyclones, torna- does, earthquakes, "La Grippe" and all the hosts of other evils that destroy our earthly good, are either ordered or permitted of God. They come not by chance. They are under control of His Almighty hand.

The Derivation of "America."

MR. EDITOR:—Apropos to the interesting series of letters in the COURIER on the origin of Carolina's name, I enclose for publication a clipping from the last number of the North Carolina Teacher, entitled, "The Derivation of "America." As not only our own county, but the entire world, is interested in the Col- umbian Exposition to be held at Chicago, and to be opened during the present year, commemorating the four hundredth anniversary of the discovery of this continent, whatever tends to throw light on the name given it, will be perused with interest.

"In a paper read before the Soci- ety of "Americanists," in Paris, on October 15, 1896, entitled "A Philo- logical Study of the Origin of the Name America," Bishop Carrillo, of Yucatan, a well known author on American linguistic matters, main- tained that when Cortez landed on the coast of Yucatan, and on what is now known as the Mosquito Coast, the whole country was pos- sessed by the Aztecs, and was known by them as Am-eh-ka, which in the Aztec tongue meant "The Windy Country, or the Country of High Winds."

This name of "Am-eh-ka" was easily corrupted in pronunciation into "America" by the old Spaniards. The Italian geographer, Alberic Ves- pucci, prefixed it in place of the name by which he had been christ- ened, and became known as Amer- icas (Amerigo) Vespucci, in the same manner as the distinguished English geographer Gordon had prefixed "Chinese" to his name, and became known to the world as Chi- nese Gordon.

A Remark By Lawyer McWhorter Routes A Detective's Ire.

The COURIER'S attention has been directed to the following,

which appeared a few weeks ago in the Atlanta Constitution and which will be interesting news to the readers of this county:

A momentary ripple of excitement relieved the tedium of the court proceedings yesterday.

When Mr. J. D. McWhorter de- clared his belief that detective busi- ness was a fraud, Detective Shack- elford was on his feet in an instant, his face flushed with anger.

"May it please your honor, I ask the court to protect me from such insults," said he.

"Sit down, Mr. Shackelford," said Judge Clark, quietly, and the de- tective obeyed, but he showed plain- ly that he was boiling over with in- dignation, when he moved his seat closer to the place from which Mr. McWhorter was addressing the jury the gentlemen on the bar thought there might be a collision. There was none, however, and Mr. Mc- Whorter continued his argument.

The case illustrates the expense of finding unknown criminals. The facts, as brought about by testimo- ny, seem to be about as follows: Mr. W. T. Massey, of Lincolnton, N. C., owned at that place the Rack et store, which was burned about two years ago. Anxious to bring the incendiaries to justice, he em- ployed Richmond detectives and spent \$420 in a search for the crim- inals. There was no result, and Mr. Massey determined to try At- lanta talent. Accordingly he wrote Detective Shackelford of this place, and after some correspondence they made an agreement that the de- tective should work up the case for \$200—\$100 down and \$100 on con- viction of the incendiary.

Under this contract Mr. Shack- elford sent Detective Wilson to Lin- colnton to work the case. Detect- ive Wilson presented the bill for \$100 in advance, and Mr. Massey paid it. Wilson then remained about three days in Lincolnton and returned to Atlanta. Mr. Massey was informed that there was more in the case than Mr. Shackelford thought when he made the agree- ment to work it for \$200, and an- other hundred was demanded.

Upon this Mr. Massey brought suit for the \$100 he had already paid, and Mr. J. L. McWhorter was representing him in the trial when he made the caustic comment on the detective business.

Mr. Frank Arnold represented Detective Shackelford.

The Work of North Carolina Women at the World's Fair.

The Lady-Managers appointed to collect specimens of work of the women of North Carolina, for ex- hibition at the Columbia Exposition, to be held in Chicago, desire to be placed in communication with ex- perts in all lines of woman's work, both usual and unusual.

They invite correspondence and suggestions on all subjects pertain- ing to the work they have in hand. For the better presentations of the details of this work, they have ar- ranged it into the following Divi- sions. The name and address of the Lady-Manager in charge is given with each Division, so correspon- dence on the various subjects can be addressed to the lady in charge of that Division, and thus expedite work:

DIVISION A.—Colonial Display, Curios, ancient and modern.—Mrs. George W. Bidder, Wilmington.

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DIVISION D.—Press Work, Lit- erature, Inventors and Inventions, Statistics, &c.—Mrs. Robert R. Cot- ten, Falkland.

The competition at Chicago will be both National and International, and the standard of excellence is necessarily very high. Consequently the Lady-Managers urge upon the women of the State to endeavor on this occasion to excel any former efforts in their respective lines of work.

The Chairman of the Committee, Mrs. Robert R. Cotten, will take pleasure in replying to inquiries on any subject not mentioned in the above classification, which relate to the subject.

Is He Charlie Ross.

ST. LOUIS, April 7.—There is a young man aged twenty-three years working on the farm of H. G. Sparks,

of Benton, Mo., whom Mr. Sparks believes to be Charlie Ross, who was stolen from his home in German- town, Philadelphia, on July 1, 1874. About four months ago he applied to Mr. Sparks for work, and he has worked steadily ever since.

He says he remembers that when he was a little boy he was driven away in a wagon by some men. For some time he was secreted in ob- scure places and closely watched, so that no one saw him except men who he supposed to be criminals. After a time these men disappeared.

A relative of the Ross family is now on his way here to see the young man and investigate his story.—N. Y. World.

Mr. Elias Carr Repudiates the St. Louis Platform.

To the Editor of the Tarboro Southerner.— Mr. M. J. Battie, in his communi- cation to the Southerner of the 5th inst., states that "in no particular does the St. Louis platform differ from the Ocala platform," and fur- ther asks "if Elias Carr will repud- ate his own handiwork?" I simply desire to call Mr. B.'s attention to two planks from each platform as paralleled below:

OCALA, 1896. ST. LOUIS, 1892.

1. (a). "That our National legislation shall be so framed in future as not to build up one industry at the expense of another."

(b). "We further de- mand a removal of the existing heavy tariff tax from the necessities of life, that the poor of our land may have."

2. "We demand the most honest, rigid, being a means of ex- ercising just State and change and a public National govern- necessity, the govern- ment control and should own the supervision of the land operate the means of public com- munication a n d e r s t e d o f t h e p e o p l e."

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These (Ocala) demands were sub- sequently engrafted into the State Democratic platform and later re- enacted at Indianapolis. I had the honor to be upon the committee at Ocala that formulated them, report- ing unanimously upon these two planks. As yet I have seen no au- thority or reason for eliminating these planks from the Alliance plat- form, while on the contrary abund- ant reason for not endorsing a party which is putting the Alliance in an inconsistent and false attitude by demanding ownership after se- curing national and State govern- mental control of railroads and com- pletely ignoring the tariff question, that most important of all reform measures, the present status of which makes possible all trusts and combines that enrich the few and impoverish the many. Truly yours,

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endorsement of the third party. There can be no two ways about that.

It is painful to us to see one or two of our county alliances pledging themselves to support no man for office who does not stand on the St. Louis platform. We do not see how this course can in anywise better the situation. The Republican party will not endorse the St. Louis platform, the Democrats outside of the Alliance will not endorse it, and many men inside the Alliance will not endorse it. Those remaining cannot carry their platform into ef- fect, but in their effort to do so may bring republican rule and ruin to our State and her noble people.

The very best advice we know how to give at this present crisis, we give to every citizen of our county and State: Keep off the St. Louis platform.—Gastonia Ga- zette.

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Cherryville 7:05

Waco 7:14

Shelby 7:33

Lattimore 7:49

Mooresboro 7:59

Ellenboro 8:06

Bostic 8:22

Forest City 8:30

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Mooresboro 8:35

Lattimore 8:44

Shelby 9:04

Waco 9:23

Cherryville 9:32

Lincolnton 10:00