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#### ARACHEL S COMMUNICATION.

On Wednesday of this week the FREE Pages published a communication from our old friend Arachel In his letter our friend hit the nail on the head more than one time.

He is perfectly correct, when he criticises the man whose only use for a newspaper is to find out something startling-"some shooting scrape, or murder, or robbery, or terrible accident, or may be, some social scandal. When such a thing is news, and when It is printable, a newapaper should give the public the benefit of the truth and the whole truth as it exists. But a person is to be pitied if his intellectual appetite is so morbid that nothing but an expose of our social diseases will gratify it.

Then Arachel is right in his contention that THE FREE PRESS presents its patrons with good reading matter on first and third pages, as well as on the others. Still the matter given may not be so good as our people would like. It is our desire to make the paper what the people would like it to be. So we would esteem it an especial favor if our readers would help us to make the paper better by giving us the benefit of candid criticisms and suggestions.

Do not forget this. But if you find the columns filled up-matters not on what page -with something that will not repay the time spent on reading it, please let us know about it; and in addition let us know what you want in the place of it. Then tell your neighbors and friends to subscribe for the paper, and we'll try to give them what they want.

#### TRINITY COLLEGE LIBRARY.

The opening of the Trinity College library was an event of much interest to the friends of higher education in North Carolina. The occasion brought together a greatmany eminent men from all parts of the State, including the governor, several State officers, members of the house and senate, eminent divines, lawyers and doctors as well as members of the faculty of the University and of Wake Forest.

The gift of the library building is the last step in the generous giving of Mr. Washington Duke and Sons to the college; aggregating about eight hundred thousand dollars. The library was given by Mr. J. B. Duke, of New York. Mr. Duke gave \$60,000 for the sum for the purchase of new books.

Mr. James H. Southgate, of Durham, stated concisely the various steps that had been taken in the library movement, culminating in the handsome building that now adorns the

As the representative of Mr. Duke, Judge Burwell, of Charlotte, in a scholarly and ornate address presented the library to the trustees of the college. He very effectively traced the State's progress from a condition of poverty to its present condition where wealth accumulates and men do not decay." He spoke of the fact that the library was given without reservation; and he hoped that it would be the resort of those who value truth "above every earthly possession, and who seek freedom from fear, freedom from prejudice, freedom from all the baser passions which control human action, by cultivating love fortruth, and seeking for it, and it alone, in every department of human knowledge, knowing this, that in the Good Book there is no more hope-inspiring declaration than the words: 'Truth shall make you

The gift was very appropriately and feelingly accepted on the part of the trustees by Dr. John C. Kilgo, president of the college. He pledged the college management to the policy of utilizing the gift in the spread of truth at all times and under all circum-

The dedicatory address was made by Mr. Walter Page, of New York, edifor of the "World's Work." Mr. Page referred to himself as a wanderer who had not forsaken his native state. He chose for his subject "American Citizenship of our New Era." The general theme discussed was the growth and development of the Democratic

rinciple in our history. This principle had found ready acceptance and adoption in the exigensecause it had afforded each individmal an opportunity to develop himself on an equality with his neighbor, it had caused our wonderful national development as a whole. He showed int an application of this Democrati

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principle to the industrial field had resulted in our industrial conquest of

He then referred to his ideal of community life-a community in which each individual might develop fully and freely. In speaking along this line he said that it was absolutely criminal for any community to allow typhoid fever, for instance, to secure a foothold in its midst; because the appearance of the disease shows that the community has not developed itself properly in the matter of sanitation. Democracy in industrialism culminates in perfection in attainment.

Referring to Mr. Duke, the donor, he said that he called on him before leaving New York and asked him what message he must take to the people in Durham. "Tell them," he said, "for every man to think for himself." "By that authority," said the speaker, "I dedicate this library to free thought. Free thought is the very atmosphere of an ideal democracy.'

#### SIRES AND SONS.

Lord Curzon is the twenty-seventh governor of India.

Senator Ankeny, just chosen from the state of Washington, is of German Dr. Bertenson, one of the court play

sicians of the czar, also professionally attends Count Tolstoi. Mayor Flavius O. Beal has been nom-

inated by the Republicans of Bangor. Me., for a seventh term.

Francis Asbury McCormick, the first baby born in the incorporated munici pality of Columbus. O., has just cele brated his eighty-ninth birthday.

Lewis G. Reynolds of Dayton. O. the originator of the Carnation League of America, has received almost 500, 000 applications for membership.

Hans Makart, son of the famous painter, has opened a photographer's studio in Vienna. His father's prodi gality left him and his sister nearly penniless.

An intimate friend of the president received a letter from Mr. Roosevelt recently in which the writer says, "I am not a rich man, hardly a well to do man, and besides I have a large family of small children."

No one knows bow many games of solitaire Congressman Cannon knows and plays. While alone he will deal the cards for hours at a time and is even able to carry on important conversations while engaged with the paste-

Judge William Howell Williams of East Liverpool, O., has gone blind twice perfecting two inventions, one a system of manufacturing gas at half the cost of the natural product and the other the making of pig fron at the cost of \$1.50 a ton.

Sergeant John A. Mason, who tried to anticipate the law by attempting to kill Guiteau, the assassin of Garfield. has taken up his abode in the Soldiers' home in Dayton, O., where he will end life Mason was court martialed and at Newport. entenced to twenty years' imprisonment, but President Arthur pardoned

#### SPORTING NOTES.

Lord Gentry, 2:151/4. is being jogged into shape at Johnstown, Pa.

The next national amateur golf championship will probably be held at the Nassau County Country club, Glen | mother. Cove, N. Y.

Pregent prospects indicate the appearance of Trilby Simmons. 2:1714 and Sunday Morning, 2:184, at the ear liest spring races.

Henri Fournier, the world's champion autoist, says he will one day go a mile in forty seconds on an electric machine of his own design.

Sam Bolen, the New York light weight, is anxious to arrange a match with Jimmy Briggs of Boston or Jack McClelland of Pittsburg.

Forty-two western golf clubs have petitioned the United States Golf association to award the next women's championship meet to the Chicago Golf

Harry Harris of Chicago and Joe Bernstein have planned to visit England together and meet any one in their respective classes. They will leave

Columbia university promises to have one of the best swimming teams in the east this year, Recently the New Yorkers easily defeated the Yale team in a relay race.

#### GOWN GOSSIP.

Some of the new evening waists are made entirely of openwork antique linen lace.

Green and white will form a very fashionable combination on hats for the spring and early summer.

Sheer and semitransparent fabrics and long curving lines from shoulder to skirt hem will be popular for the sum-mer season of 1903.

A new spring skirt model is of instep length, has seven graduated gores, with an extra gore that forms an outside box plait at the back.

Fichus, berthas and 1830 pelerines falling from the shoulders and finished with long scarf ends will be a promi-nent feature of dress this summer.

Ten gowns of white silk voite will be fashionable next senson. There is a revival of the box plaited skirt back, the plait as a rule being adjustable and of an extra breadth of the skir

Flower printed wash nets are amo dress textiles for the spring and sum-mer seasons. They have all of the di-aphanous and alry effect of chiffon and are far more durable.—New York Port

#### DAMES AND DAUGHTERS.

The Duchess of Marlborough owns the most magnificent set of pearls in England, with the exception of Queen

Miss Nora Stanton Blatch, grand daughter of the late Elizabeth Cady Stanton, has formed a political equality club among the women students of

Mme. Melba possesses a collection of pearls which she values so much that she has a private detective accompany her constantly while she is wearing them to guard the precious gems.

Mrs. Harriet Earl Hunt and her daughter, Mrs. Kathryn Hunt James. the first women to go into business at Sioux City, Ia., have published a paper called the Stylus for twelve years.

Margaret McKinley, niece of the late president and daughter of Abner Me-Kinley, is a clerk in the National bank at Oklahoma City and has made a small fortune in real estate specula-

Among Mrs. John Jacob Astor's most admired jewels is an emerald ring set with diamonds. A circle of brilliants frames the enormous emerald in the center, and the sides, instead of being plain gold, like most rings, are entirely incrusted with tiny diamonds.

Mrs. Albert Burns of Laurens, S. C., has had a very busy life. In twentytwo years she has reared thirteen children. In addition to this she has started and run a sawmill, run a glunery, which in the busy season she feeds herself; does general teaming, her own housework and takes in sewing.

Miss Marshall Kiser is sugar inspector for the Spreckels Sugar company of Hawaii. Miss Kiser is a Kentucky woman and began the study of chemistry at the State college at Lexington. She continued her work under Professor John Uri Lloyd, and in 1901 she was elected a member of the American Chemical association.

#### GLEANINGS.

While its owner is in prison a canary is being cared for by the Glasgow po-

The United States army ration costs about 30 cents. The food bill, therefore, amounts to nearly \$25,000 a day.

The Mohammedan law against alcoholic drinks has recently been made more stringent in Constantinople on account of its general violation.

A new form of moonstone, having crystals of red graphite, which in some positions give it the appearance of sunstone, has been discovered in North

The widespread impression that most of the "roast beef of old England" is supplied from the shambles of Chicago may find a rude shock in fresh English | be surprised if her ladyship left me"statistics, which show that seven tenths of the beef consumed in Eug land is produced on its farms.

Each of the large ships of the United States navy is to have in its outfit of ordnance stores thirteen "live" and one dummy naval defense mine, the latter being for drilling purposes. They are his days. For the attempt on Guiteau's being prepared at the torpedo station

#### THINGS THEATRICAL

Mrs. George W. Monroe has retired from the stage owing to illness.

Pauline Hall is thinking of a proposal to appear in the London music

Maude Odell has gone to her home in South Carolina for a short visit to her

Laura Biggar may star in a play which will be based upon the history of her recent life.

Marie Tempest when she goes on tour in this country will be under the management of John Hare.

"The American Trusts" will be the subject of a drama which will soon be produced at the Oldenburg Court theater, Berlin.

Paul Potter, who dramatized "Tril by" and a number of other books, has now undertaken a stage version of "Pendennis."

An organization known as the Boston Lyric company presented "Uncle Tom's Cabin" as an opera in Des Moines late ly, but it failed to make an impression

#### THE WRITERS.

The late Mrs. Alexander's many admirers will be glad to hear that the au-thor, whose death occurred recently, left a novel in manuscript and that it

will be published immediately.

The latest titled aspirant for literary honors is Lord Kilmarnock, eldest son of the Earl of Erroll, who is only twenty-six. His lordship has written a nov-el called "Fereilth" which will be published soon.

Flora Annie Steel, the novelist, has entered the ranks of journalism, hav-ing become a member of the staff of the Saturday Review of London. She intends to contribute a weekly article social matters

George Mauville Penn, who has been one of the most diligent purveyors of Euglish juvenile fiction, recently reached his seventy-first year. The mere titles of his stories fill seven pages of the catalogue of the British museum.

#### COLLEGE AND SCHOOL

The average pupil attends school

28.8 days a year. Dancing is to be taught in the Yai gymnasium on the theory that practic in clog, lig and reel dancing is one of the surest methods of acquiring can and grace.

The students of the Hyde Pa

One Client Lawyers.

as proverbial as that of the church mouse. It would not be an unnatural mistake to consider a barrister with only one client hardly better off than one with none. But the modern "one client lawyer" is usually a prosperous individual. Said a man well known in the business world some years ago to a friend; "I want a young lawyer to put down at a desk beside mine. I'll familiarize him with my affairs, and then I want him to keep me out of trouble." The counterpart of this lawyer, whose duty it is to act as his own client's ounce of prevention, may be found in the office of many large concerns. He is often connected with trust companies, banks, banking liouses ratiroad and other transportation companies and large wholesale mercantile houses. When a merchant found himself in a tangle, it was once the custom for him to go to his lawyer for ad-vice. The results were a written "opinion" and a fee. The business man today obtains a lawyer who shall work for him alone. Again, the field of the general practitioner is narrowed. -World's Work.

Minnie Hauck as a Drummer. Mme. Minnie Hauck was once singing at the Berlin court opera in Donizetti's "Daughter of the Regiment." Emperor William I., after the opera called her into his presence and told her she had sung very nicely, but that her drumming-as the Daughter of the Regiment she had to play the drum-was very bad. Next morning a drum major of the First Grenadier regiment called at her hotel and said he had come to give her a drum lesson. The diva was bound to accept the instruction and learned the whole art of drumming in a couple of dozen lessons. Then the kaiser sent to ask how she was getting on, and, hearing that she had made excellent progress, he commanded a per formance of "A Daughter of the Regiment." Mme. Hauck acquitted herself excellently in the drumming scene, and the kaiser complimented her warmly. sending her next day a real official military drum with a silver plate and inscription.

#### An Interrupted Story.

Captain Williams, a jovial Irishman, known everywhere as "Bob," used to be a favorite in Dublin society many years ago. His stories were famous Give him an incident, and be would set it out to the general admiration.

One evening he went into the club and there began telling the true tale of rescuing a lady and her daughters from a dangerous situation into which their spirited horses had brought them.

"I quieted the ladies," said he, "and I quieted the horses. And the gratitude of the ladies! Me boys, I shouldn' At that moment a little Irish page in livery appeared.

"Sir," said be, "Lady Arnold says she lost her purse when yez helped her out of the carriage, and plaze, she says. do yez know anything about it?" The captain's story was never fin-

#### Dodging an Interview

A young reporter once called to interview Senator Quay and found him reading. After formal greetings had been exchanged the senator said: "Do you play poker? Of course you do once in awhile. Then you will find this one of the best poker stories you ever saw," handing the newspaper man a book. The reporter out of politeness read a page. "Ah," said the senator, "I see you are interested. Take the book along and read it at your lefsure. Good evening." And the dazed young journalist was out on the sidewalk before he could recover his breath.

It's Never Given Away. "Pa." said Johnny, who is a persist-

ent knowledge seeker, "what is a law "There isn't any such thing, Johnny," replied the old gentleman, who had

been involved in considerable litigation in his time "But this book says that somebody

was a great lawgiver," persisted the

"Then it's a mistake," rejoined his father. "Law is never given; it's retailed in very small quantities at very high figures."

#### How He Kept Humble Hiller—You'll excuse me, but I never see your name in the list of subscribers for the poor of the village. Siender—Naturally. You see, it is

this way: I pity the poor awfully and I am rather proud that I do pity them. If I should go so far as to give them money. I'd be so vain there'd be no living in the same town with me.—Boston Transcript.

per (testing ranor)-Do I hurt you

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