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MR. ENTWISTLE'S VIEWS

on the Fature of the Cotton Mills and Their Interest in the Open Door Policy in China.

Our townsman, Mr. Wm. Entwistle, is a close student of economic questions, particularly those relating to the cotton mill industry, and his views are frequently sought. At the Buford Hotel in Charlotte a few nights ago the Observer re-

porter caught him saying: ...(); course all our mills are dos ing well. In my opinion they will continue to make large profits for about twelve months, and then there will be a decline. So many milisare being built that the production will soon exceed the con sumption. We must have another market.

"And that market?" was asked "Is China," he replied, "America and Great Britain should join together in an open-door policy. This will insure us a free commercial hand in China with the rest of nations, and that is all we want. Out , of the 400.000.000 people in China only 75,000,000 wear goods made by power losms The development of China means the clothing of 325,000,000 people A chance for that is worth competing for. Russia and Russia only would stand in the way of the open-door policy, and she could not prevail against the Anglo-Saxon coalition."

BRITISH FORCES NOW OCCUPY COLESBURG

General French Defeats Boers Near That Place.

HE LOSES VERY FEW MEN

Transvaalers Are Supposed to Have Suffered Heavily From the English Fire-Coloust Pilcher Reports a Victory at Orange River.

LONDON, Jan. 2.- A dispatch from Rensberg, Cape Calony, says General French has completely defeated the Boers and occupied Colesburg. The general continued to keep the Boers on

the move and pressed them closely Saturday and Sunday, giving them notime to make a prolonged stand, and when day broke he was within striking distance of the enemy. Sunday night all the cavalry, artillery and infantry, the latter riding in wag-

ons to increase the general mobility, started upon a night march with the object of turning the Boers' right. The flank operations were successful. The infantry and field batteries immediately made a feint attack upon the Boer front, and while this was proceeding the cavalry and light artillery got completely around the enemy's right flank as arranged.

The program worked without hitch. The Boers were utterly surprised, and finding their retreat threatened, fied in disorder to the eastward, leaving Colesberg in General French's hands.

The success of General French's colamn is confirmed officially, the war office this atternoon issuing a dispatch from Cape Town, Monday, Jan. 1, as follows:

They Appeal to Whites to Defeat Proposed Amendment. RALEIGH, Jan. 2 .- The negroes celebrated the thirty-seventh anniversary of the signing of the emancipation proclamation here yesterday. One of the features of the day was the reading and

adoption of an address to the white people of the state, calling on them to aid in defeating the proposed constitutional

amendment. In the course of the address, which is quite long, they say: "We cannot resist the conviction that the proposed amendment to our state constitution is the initial step in the direction of nullifying the proclamation of emancipation and abrogating, as far

as possible, the results of the war for. freedom. It is already urged by an influential portion of the newspapers of the south, and by many of the leading men, that these amendments to the state constitution are temporary expedients; that the thirteenth, fourteenth and fifteenth amendments to the constitution of the United States must be repealed. These are the guarantees of our freedom and citizenship in the land. Repeal them and slavery again becomes lawful."

After discussing the negro problem and the cause that led the negro into the Republican party, the address goes

MI to say: "Should you reject this appeal and mrn a deaf ear to our entreaty; should you determine to do that which we so much dread, we have no power to preventit. For us there will be but one remedy. We shall be compelled to seek a home in some other land-a better country." SENSATION IN KENTUCKY

Senator Harrell Says an Attempt Was Made to Bribe Him.

FRANKFORT, Ky., Jan. 2 .- All doubt as to the ability of the Goebel Democrats to organize both houses of the legislature was demonstrated by the at tendance in the Democratic caucuses

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nections.



Negotiations With Europe on Subject Successful. HAY INFORMS THE CABINET

United States Will Have Wull Share In the Future Development of Commerce With the Great Celestial Empire-President Gratified.

WASHINGTON, Jan. 2 .- The session of the cabinet today was brief, but it was the occasion of the important annouce. ment by Secretary of State Hay that the negotiations with the great powers of Europe and Japan to secure a common understanding for a continued "open door" policy throughout Onina had been eminently successful and that favorable responses had been received from Great Britain, Germany, France,

Russia and Japan. The only country-addressed which has not yet responded is Italy, and a favorable answer is also expected from her. Secretary Hay's statement to the cab.

net fully confirms the information in the Associated Press dispatches from this city last Saturday. The announce-ment of the success of the negotiations was extremely gratifying to the presi-dent and the cabinet, as it insurer to the United States a full share in the Ta-

ture development of commerce with the great empire of China. Secretary Root was not at the cabinet

meeting today and therefore none of the matters which usually occupy such a large share of the attention of the cabinet was considered.

STATEMENT BY ROBERTS.

A War on Slot Machines. NEW ORLEANS, Jen. 2 -- Mayor Flower today sent an order to Chief Gaster to strictly enforce the ordinance prohibit-ing the operation of slot machines in this city and the mayor says that he will see that every machine in town is stopped. Although the law has been promulgated the machines were still running this morning, hence the order of the mayor. The law provides for a up stairs in Boyd Building. fine of \$25, not only against the slot machine proprietors, but against the players as well

C Allen Bad Whisky Kills Eight.

CHARLESTON, Jan. 2. - During the past week there have been eight sudden deaths of young negroes from Lady's island, in the vicinity of the Central phosphate works, Beaufort county, this space. There are suspicions that the winsky they used was either tampered with pr not chemically pure.

Ohio River Closed by Ice.

CINCINNATI, Jan. 2 .- The Ohio river is closed at Wheeling, W. Ya., and all the tributaries are frozen. Her channel is full of ice and boats are all tied up. Rivermen anticipate the Ohio will be closed in many places within a day or two, as there is no indication of warmer weather soon.

Oakman College Is Burned. BIRMINGHAM, Als., Jan. 2.-Fire at Oakman today destroyed the handsome new Oakman college building recently erected there, the loss being \$7,000 with insurance of \$5,000. The blaze caught from a spark from the smokestack of the steam heating plant. One man was slightly injured.

To Erect a Blast Furnace.

KNOXVILLE, Jan. 2. -- Many prominent business men of this place have joined together to raise \$250,000 to erect a blast furnace for the purpose of working lo-cal ores. President H. K. McHargs of the Atlanta, Knozville and Northern has subscribed \$5,000 to the project.

Ten Villages Are Destroyed.

CAMERON MORRISON, PAUL C. WHITLOCK MORRISON & WHITLOCK. Attorneys-at-Law, ROCKINGHAM, N. C. Office over A. L. McDonald's store. 'Phone 69.

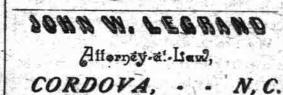
Attorney-af-Land,

Rockingham, - - N. C

Stansill Building, up stairs. Prompt, careful and aggressive attention given all business. Special attention given the collection of accounts, the foreclosure of mortgages and the drawing of conveyances. Will practice in any court

State or Federal.

JNO. P. CAMERON ATTORNEY-AT-LAW, ROCKINGHAM, N. C.



Will practice in State Courts and give Careful attention to all business entrusted to his care.



By virture of the powers contained certain mortgage deed, Executed to wife Lula Stanback, on the 16th day

NOTICE COMMISSIONERS "SALE OF LAND.

SI.00 PER YEAR IN ADVANCE TO EVERYBODY.

By virture of a judgment of the Superior ourt of Richmond County, rendered at September Term, 1899, in a civil action therein pending wherein John W. Coving-Hamlet, N. C., on Tuesdays. Office ton and R. L. Steele Executors of the will Robert L. Steele decesed, are plantiffs and Thomas J. Steele and Lide S Steele are A. S. DOONERV. II defendants, the undersigned as Commissioner, on Monday the 5th day of February 1990, at 12 o'clock noon, will sell at the Court house door in Rockingham at public auction to the highest bidder for cash the following described tracts or parcels of land in Richmond County.

First Tract: In Rockingham Township, in the eastern part of the town of Rockingham and bounded on the North by old. Fayetteville road, now known as Washington street; on the east by the land of R S Ledbetter; on the South by the land of Harry J. Carr and on the West by the land of Mrs. Mary C. Scales. Saving and excepting the three lots of land already conveyed by deeds duly recorded to Robert L Steele, Jr., John S. Ledbetter and Rosa P. Shortoridge, for a description of which reference may be had to the registry of said deeds, having a net balance in above boundars, to be sold, of eight acres more or less.

Second Tract: All that tract of 175 acres more or less, lying along and near the Fayetteville road about 3 miles from the town of Rockingham. Known as the Crowsou place which was conveyed by Walter L Steele, Commissioner, to Robert J. Steele by deed dated December 16th. 1872, recorded in Book E. E. page 343 of T. P. Covington by Site Stanback and the Registers office of said County, reof ference being had to said deed. January 1897, and duly recorded in Book Third Tract, An undivided one-half I. I. I Page 560, I will sell to the highest interest in and to three tracts or marcels bidder for cash at the court house door in of land lying about 51-2 miles from the town of Rockingham on Momday the Rockingham and along or near the Laurel 5th day of February at 1 o'clock p. m. the Hill road, 1 containing 50 acres. 1 confollowing lots of land to wit: Beginning at laining 100 acres and the 3rd 20 acers, a stump in head of Branch where Jacob each of said tracts being fully described in Lane's line joins Roberdel Mfg Co's line a deed from Randall S. McDonald to R S and runs with said Roberdel Mfg. Co's Ledbetter dated Nov. 16th 1866, recorded I ne East 153 yds. to Ledbetter road, in Book Y; page 258 of said office: Being the lands described in the com-*This January 2nd, 1900.

...But mills are being operated at Shanghai and in other parts of Caina and in Japan. Do you think that we need fear competition from these?"

"No. They can't raise good cotton, They ye tried it and failed. Besides, they have't ground to spare to raise much of it. The freight on the cotton that must be shipped to them for numuracturing will be about the same as the ireight on goods that we say them. This somew ... fiets Chinese cheap labor. they will simply have to buy ion, us, continued Mr Envisite. Think of clothing that 325,000,000 people! They could never do it themselves. Do you know that it took us 40 years to manufacture enough goods for our own use? Manufacturing in America was not begun until about 1830, and it was not until 1877 that we were able to clothe ourselves. The open-door policy in China will give us 50 years of big profits in that country, at any rate.

Mr. John Hopkinson, of Waco, Tex., who was standing by, endorsed what had been said by Mr. Entwistle. Mr. Hopkinson was originally from Manchester, England, but has lived in America since 1866.

FIRST "AMENDMENT CLUB."

Scotland County Claims the Honor of Organzing the First One.

The first constitutional amend ment club of the State was organized in Laurinburg Monday, writes a correspondent of the Charlotte Observer. It was organized immediately after the meeting of the executive committee, of which Mr. Walter H. Neal is chairman. Mr. Dougald Stewart was elected president of the club and Mr. John T. McEachin secretary, The meeting was a large and enthusiastic gath-

French's Official Report. "French reports a: \$ p, m. today from Colesburg by heliograph as follows:

" 'Leaving at Bensbury, holding the enemy in front half of the First Suffolks and a section of the Royal Horse artillery, I started thence at 5 in the afternoon, Dec. 31, taking with me five squart, as of cavalry, half of the Second Berks and 80 mounted infantry, infantry carried in wagons, and tan guns. I halted for four hours at Maidor (and at \$:30 this morning occupied the

kopje overlooking and westward of Colesburg. The enemy's outposts were taken completely by surprise.

"At daylight we shelled the larger and enfiladed the right of the enemy's position. The artillery are in reply was very hot from a la counder using royal laboratory ammunition and other guns. We slienced the guns on the enemy's right flank, demonstrating with loyal to his party and his state. cavalry and guns to the north of Colesburg towards the junction, where a strong laager of the enemy was holding a hill and a position southeast of Colesburg, as far as the junction.

"Our position cuts the line of retreat ized at noon by electing the nominees via the road and bridge. Some thouof last night's Democratic caucus. sands of Boers with two guns are reported to be retiring toward Norval's SOUTHERN FINDS WAY OUT. Point, All Remington's scouts proceeded toward Achtorland yesterday Its Trains Now Run Over New Link morning. Slight casualties, about three killed and few wounded. Details later." COLUMBIA, 3 O., Jan. 2 - The South-Brief independent messages from ern railroad has emiricated itself from Rensburg filed the evening of Jan. 1

supplemented General French's dispatch but slightly. According to them the British were still shelling the Boer position at 5 o'clock Monday evening and expected to enter Colesburg today.

British Losses Small.

The British losses were three men killed and seven wounded. No officers were killed or wounded. The Boers are supposed to have suffered heavily from the accuracy of the British artillery fire. General French's statement that the Boers were using a 14-pounder and Woolwhich ammunition, evidently refers to one of the British guns captured at Stormberg. The Boers' strength in the engage-

ment with General French was estimated at from 5,000 to 7,000 men.

While the afternoon newspapers are disposed to overrate the brilliancy of General French's success, it will doubtless have a good moral effect, and, if promptly followed up, as seems likely from the fact that Remington's guides are already advancing on Achterland, it may result in securing Norvalspont bridge, thus gaining an important strategic advantage, as thence General French will probably be able to threaten

Bethnlie bridge, which is the main line of retreat for the Boers facing General Gatacre. Other official dispatches dated Jan. 1 say General Methuen's position is unchanged.

Victory For Pilcher. The war office has received the following from Cape Town, under today's

date: "Colonel Pilcher reports through the officer commanding at the Orange river: "'I have completely defeated a hostile command at the Sunnyside laager.

last night. In the house caucus all of the 53 Democrats answered to rollcall and participated. In the senate four

Democrats remained out. They were Senators Alexander, Hayes, Gillespie and Roberts. Senator Hill was sick and absent, but is not classed with the disternal revenue collections is going on

according to the original plan and prob-In the senate caucus Senator Harrell created a sensation by declaring that he ably will be completed to the first group of additional depository banks in eight had been approached by J. H. Whallen days. He says: of Louisville, an anti Goebel leader, and

of Louisville, an anti-Goebel leader, and party if the money, he saw, has been placed in a box with the Louisville Trust com-pany, the key to which he passenant in Senator Goebel, who was presiding over the caucua. Hinrell concluded by declaring that Hinrell concluded by declaring that mitted to retain the deposits up to the he had entered into the deal for the amount of its pledge bonds. In cases purpose of exposing Whallen and further that there was not money where the rate of exchange rendered transfers to New York a burden, the whether he lives or dies. It enough in the world to make him disfunds have been assigned to banks in the same city or in neighboring locali-A warrant has been issued for the arties. With these exceptions the inre-t of Whailen, charging him with atternal revenue collections have been tempting to bribe Senator Harrell. concentrated in the National City bank, New York, for convenience of distribu-Both houses of the legislature organ-

tion. "Every day these collections have been distributed in installments of \$50.-000 to the several depository banks in the ratio of their bonds to the total amount pledged. By this process the smaller banks received their quota, and funds remaining in the National City only as the distribution went forward. "The second group of depository banks is now taking form and will be treated in all respects in the same way

spring, when the Seaboard acquired the and will begin to receive moneys soon southbound division of the F orida Cen after Jan 10." The list of southern banks included in tral and Peninsular, wu.cu the Sonththe first group is as follows, with the ern had been using for its Florida connames and locations of banks and Its lease expired yesterday, but the amounts of bonds pledged by each: City National bank, Selma, Ala., \$50, Southern found a parallel outlet from 000; Fayette national, Lexington, Ky. Columbia to Savannan. The trains are now running over a new link 3! miles \$50,000; New Orleans national, New Or in length, letween Co.umbia and Perry, leans, \$100.000; Atlantic national, Wil-

mington. N. C., \$50,000; Norfolk na-tional, Norfolk, Va., \$100,000; National At this point the S. umern's Forthe specials will use the Carolina Midland which has been tought and rebuilt by Bank of Virgia. Richmond, \$14,000; the Southern, thence to Allendaie and Planter's national, Richmond, Va., Yamas-ee and from thore to Savannah \$100,000. over the Plant lines.

A Jury Exou-rates Bourk .

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the dilemma in which it was placed last

SAVANNAH, Jan. 2 .- Mike Bourke, white, who was arrasted on the order of the coroner on the charge of having choked his aged mother to death, has been released from custody upon the ham by W. D. McRae, Druggist. verdict of the corouer's jury exonerating him. It was found that the old woman had died suddenly from natural causes, and that her body failing had lacerated the face and throat, which aroused suspicion of foul play.

NEW YORK, Jan. 2 - A letter from Lady Randolph Churchill has been received by Mrs. Caroline J. Taylor. chairman of the woman's committee of the psycological section of the Medico-Legal society, in which she says the only rational way to base a petition for the release of Mrs. Maybrick is not on

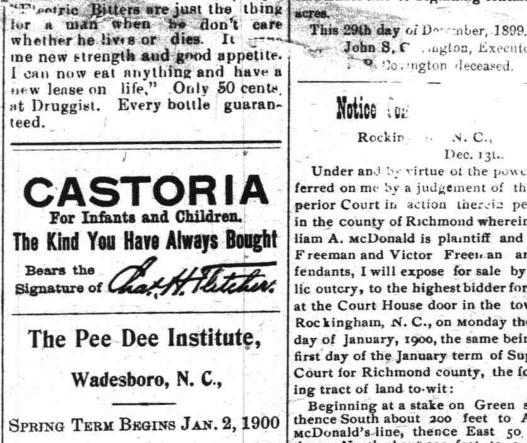
ished enough.

Southern Banks Included In the First Depos.tory Group.

ST. PETERSBURG, Jan. 2 - An earth WASHINGTON, Jan. 2.-Ellis H. Robquake yesterday destroyed ten, villages erts, treasurer of the United States, anin the Aichalkalak district of the govnounces that the distribution of the inernment of Tiflis.

Brave Men Fall.

Victims to stomach, liver and kidney troubles as well as women and all feel the results in loss of appetite, poisons in the blood, back- Thence with said road South 230 yds to a ache, nervousness, headache and stake, Thence Northwest with T. P plaint in said civil action. tired, listless, run-down feeling. But Covington's line 115 yds to a lightwood there's no need to feel like that. J. stump on Jacob Lane's line, Thence with W. Gardner, of Idaville, Ind., says. said Lanes line to beginning containing 5. in potric Bitters are just the thing acres. for a man when he don't care me new strength and good appetite. can now eat anything and have a new lease on life," Only 50 cents. at Druggist. Every bottle guaranteed.



Offers Unusual Advantages to Boys and Girls. acids in the blood and driving them Four competent . and experienced teachers. Building first-class and well equipped. privileges excellent. Board, room, lights, wood and washing from \$6.50 to \$8.00 per mo.

Tuition from \$1.00 to \$3.50 a menth.

music \$3.00 per month.

gers her life and that of the child. It lies with her whether she shall suffer unnecessarily, or whether the ordeal shall be made comparatively easy. She had better do nothing than do Pupils received at any time. something wrong.



John S, Cgton, Executor of 2 9. Do. ington deceased. Notice Con Rockin . N. C., Dec. 131.. Under and by virtue of the power con-Court for Richmond county, the following tract of land to-wit: Beginning at a stake on Green street. thence South about 200 feet to A. L.



By virtue of the power of sale contained in a certain deed of mortgage executed to me on the 12th day of Nov., 1896, by Terrell Crouch and wife, Norcissus Church and Sunday School Crouch, I will on Monday the 15th day of January, 1900 at 12 o'clock m., in front of the court house door in the town of Rockingham, offer for sale for cash to the highest bidder, the following described tract of land, lying and being in Mineral Springs township, Richmond county, North Carolina: Beginning at a stake in the Green Pond road, in a line Culture of character along with of the land conveyed by A. C. Watson to culture of mind, its motto. Henry McKay, and runs as its line Westpointers, thence as the other line Southwardly to a lightwood knot, black jack pointers, by the Spring branch; thence

Thomas C. Guthrie, Commission.

EXECUTION SALE. North Carolina, # } In Superior Court. Win. M. Call Plaintiff. " " alias Sandy Wall; De-

.... in a secon directed to ferred on me by a judgement of the Su- indersigned from the Superior Court perior Court in action thereiz pending of Richmond County at a ve entitled, liam A. mcDonald is plaintiff and mary of January, 1900, at the Court House

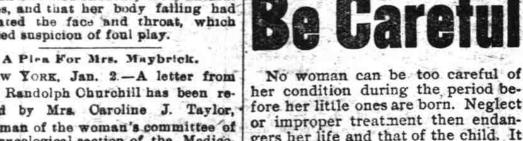
Freeman and Victor Freeman are de- in Rockingham at the adjournment of fendants. I will expose for sale by pub- Court that day sell for cash to the highest lic outcry, to the highest bidder for cash, bidder to satisfy said execution all the at the Court House door in the town of rights and the titles and interests which Rockingham, N. C., on monday the 15th the said Alex B. Wall, alias Sandy Wall, day of January, 1900, the same being the defendent, has in following lot on real first day of the January term of Superior estate, to wit: one lot in & berdel, Rockingham township and county and State aforesaid, begining at stake, PeterD. Wall's

S. E. corner runs with his line N. 41 E. 5 McDonald's line, thence East 50 feet chs. and 50 links to a stake in Dr. W. H. thence North about 200 feet to a strke, Steele's line, thence with his line S. 431 E. 222 to a stake, thence with line of W. H. Steele and Mrs. Ida Terry S. 41 W. 490 chs. to Mrs. lda Terry's corner, thence N. 591 W. 225 chs, to the beginning, containing, 1 and 14-100 acres more or less. This Nov. 13th, 1899.

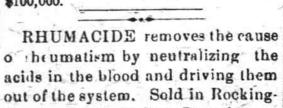
T. S. Wright, Sheriff.

A Great Southern School, At Huntingdon, Tenn.

One of the largest educational institutions in the South is the Southern Normal University, at Hontingdon, Tenn. The school was founded in 1891 by Prof. Jas. A. Baber, and has steadily grown o-e til to-day it has an annual Irnlunment of over one thousand students. It is an institution of which wardly to the corner a stake and pine any aspiring boy or girl can procure a good education at a minimum of expense, and within a rea-



the plea that she is innocent, but that even if she is guilty she has been pun-



Be Careful