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A BRIEF RETROSPECTION.

To recall the consecutive fulfillment of our prophecies is not wholly devoid of pleasure to us, and we pre-ume we are no exception to the general run of men in this particular. Begging the reader's pardon we wish now to revert to just three prophecies made by us within the past eighteen months. In October 1894, we warned the Democratic party in these columns that any attempt to "tote" Cleveland or to trample upon the free-coinage plank of the National Democratic platform, in the approaching State election, would certainly overwhelm us in disaster. Our advice was spurned by cuckoos and today finds our opponents in charge of State affairs.

2. After reading copious excerpta from the manuscript of Rev. Mr. Weston's book now published, claiming that Marshal Ney was not executed in France but, escaping from prison fied to the United States and died in North Carolina, we unhesitatingly affirmed that he had made out his case, and to successfully overthrow his proofs, we must disregard human testimony as wholly unworthy of the confidence of men. We also stated that Mr. Weston was as charming and versatile a writer as we had ever perused and that success would attend the publication of the book. A few Wiseacres derided our affirmations and endeavored to belittle the author. Now, the book is published and has already met with the most flattering success, and Mr. Weston has received encomiums as a writer from men whose unqualified praises stamp him as a man worthy to rank with the most renowned authors; some placing him with such writers as Scott, Hugo and Dumas. 3. In the early winter of 1893 and '94, visiting the private school of Mrs. J. B. Beard of this city, when as a teacher she was an experiment with her patrons and her school was small. At our request she continued her school-room labors as though no visitor were present, and after a stay not exceeding an hour we returned to this office and said to our readers that Mrs. Beard was the most admirable and efficient teacher we had ever known. Today her school-room is overflowing with pupils and she is recognized by the community as being all we claimed for her. We recognized her genius and proclaimed it. The success of her labors has already vindicated the accuracy of our judgment. We recall these things for the benefit of just a small portion of friends, who seem to be heedless of what is going on around them. The truth is the PRESS AND CAROLINIAN takes a very great interest in the general welfare of the people and informs and advises them unselfishly, and the people know it. That

port and defend it. One clause in that declaration of principles declared that the Democratic party of North Carolina was in favor of the free and unlimited coinage of silver at the ratio of 16 to 1. Last week a young man named Boggs, formerly a newspaper reporter, who is traveling over the South soliciting delegates from "business men's organizations" to attend some sort of convention or conference at Memphis, Tenn, to pass resolutions in favor of the single gold standard, met the "business men" and others at Raleigh. Young Boggs spoke his sweet persuading speak to the "business men" and others and asked them to appoint a delegation to go to Memphis and attend the meeting. The good people of Raleigh, one and all, actually absolutely, either refused or failed to do any such thing, and our capital city for one will not be represented "officially," at least, in the big hurrah at Memphis for the single gold standard. All honor for Raleigh! It

institutions.

Among the many prominent members of the clerical profession who are said to have promised their attendance are Archbishop John Ireland, of the Roman Catholic Church; Bishops Vincent and Hurst, of the Methodist Episcopal Church; Bishop Gilbert, Episcopal, and President Harper, of Chicago University.

A board of commissioners, consisting of one for each State or county, has charge of the interests of the congress. These gentlemen look to the appointment of delegates and attend to various other preliminaries. The congress will be divided as follows :

"Authors, editors, and publishers; educational section, including colleges, academics, seminaries, and schools; philanthropic section, including hospitals, asylums, orphanages, homes, reformatories, etc To this section the State, county and municipal governments are invited to send specially accredited delegates. Woman's section, including temperance work and rescue work; denominational 'section; young people's section, including young people's societies, Sunday schools, kindergartens, missionary societies, etc."

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A Congress of Religions.

The Parliament of Religions was one of the most successful of the many great gatherings of the people of all nations which were held at Chicago during the Columbian Exposition. It attracted world-wid attention and was discussed in the press and the pulpit in languages. Its influence is believed to have been for great and lasting good in breaking down the barriers of prejudice and bringing to the adherents of different systems and creeds a better understanding of each other's motives and methods. The success of that parliament is probably one of the principal causes which have led to the calling of a Pan-American Congress of Religion and Education to be held at Toronto, Canada, from the 18th to the 25th of July next. A copy of the announcement of the gathering states that it will hel composed of "representative laymen and clergymen from every country, province, and State of North and South America, including Protestants, Roman Catholics and Hebrews," and that accredited delegates are expected from all county and State governments, as well as churches, educational and charitable

IT FEELS THAT WAY.

There's a soft, mellifluous murmur In the circumambient air. There's a lazy, languorous feeling That is spreading everywhere.

There's the rustling of the robin In the bushes and the h dge, And the waterfowl are piping In the pond beyond the sedge.

The sunshine's growing warmer, And the flies are getting tame, While an all round combination Seems to tell us spring have came. -Detroit Free Press.

How a Crowd Gathers.

"Ever see a crowd gather?" asked the man with chin whiskers as he lit a cigar.

"No. Can't say that I ever did." "I thought not. The crowd was there when you came along. But I helped form this one."

"What did you do?"

"Stopped to admire a cute little shaver in a baby cab. The child was playing with a small dog, and the two made a icture."

"But about the crowd?"

"Some ladies stopped to look at the baby, then some children to play with the dog. That made a gathering on the sidewalk, and others wanted to see what they were looking at and there was soon a big crowd that couldn't see anything."

"Meanwhile you were obstructing the sidewalk."

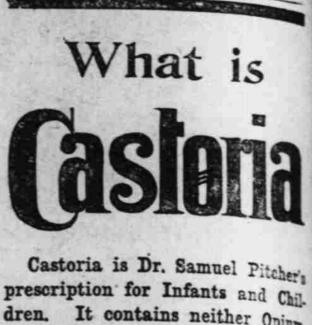
"But you never saw a crowd dispersed as quickly.

"Policeman?"

"Not much! That baby wrinkled up its nose and began to cry. In two seconds there wasn't a soul in sight. The crowd had melted into thin air."-Detroit Free Press.

Indiguant.

There used to be an old porter at a certain Irish railway station who was more remarkable for independence of character than attention to his duties. On one occasion two of the directors were traveling over the line and noticed that the name of this station was not called, the neglect being the more se rious as it was a junction. This was



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Marvelous Results.

From a letter written by Rev. J. Gunderman, of Dimondale, Mich., we are permitted to make this extract: 'I have no hesitation in recommending Dr. King's New Discovery, as the results were almost marvelous in the case of my wife. While I was pastor of the Baptist church at Rives Junction she was brought down with Pneumonia succeeding La Grippe. Ter-rible paroxysms of coughing would last hours with little interruption and it seemed as if she could not survive them. A friend, recommended Dr. King's New Discovery; it was quick in its work and highly satisfactory in results." Trial bottles free at O. M. Royster's Drug Store. Regular size 50c. and \$1.00.

Fidelity to the Church.

Many, many years ago one of our congregations in Davidson county became disorganized. There was no minister to preach for the people, and the congregation scattered ; some went into other denominations. But there were a few members who were true to their church. They would meet in the old log building and hold prayer meeting. This was kept up several years. After awhile a minister came along, began to preach for the people. He reorganized the congregation, members were added, the church was revived. From that congregation six ministers have gone out, and five of them are direct descendants from one of those persons who met and held the prayer meeting. God heard and answered the prayers of those holy men. Several years ago a congregation was organized at Moffitt's Grove. For some time it flourished, but reverses came, and the people scattered. The congregation was disorganized. Many of the members sought homes in other churches. But a few remained true. They prayed and waited for the Lord to re-establish their church. After patiently waiting the Lord heard their prayer, a man came along, began preaching. The Lord blessed his

General sessions will be held each morning and evening, while the afternoon will be devoted to separate meetings of the sections. We do not understand that the gathering is called in the interest of the movement for church unity-a consolidation of all the churches. Its object is to promote competition in good work, to exchange views as to methods of educating, reforming and evangelizing and not to contend over questions of creeds and try to bring all churches, sects and denominations onto one platform.

Milk, Butter, Eggs.

Fresh meat, fish, water, fruit, vegetables, as well as milk, butter and eggs, are frequently loaded with germs of disease. If the stomach is maintained in a healthy condition, these germs are digested and eliminated from the system without producing any bad effect. Ayer's Sarsaparilla gives tone and strength to the digestive organs, enables them to do their duty, and imparts the vigor of health to the entire system.

Eastern capitalists who have bought a gold mine in California are trying to throw off \$1000,000 of the debt by claiming that the ore was "salted" when their experts were investigating the mine's value.

SPECIFIC SCROFULA. FOR

"Since childhood, I have been afflicted with scrofulous boils and sores, which caused me terrible suffering. Physicians were unable to help me, and I only grew worse

under their care. At length, I began to take AYER'S

made the subject of complaint, and old Charley, who was the delinquent, was promptly brought to book and repri manded.

He was very wroth that any one should find fault with him and thirsted for revenge. So, keeping a lookout until he saw the directors on their return journey, he stood opposite their carriage and shouted in a stentorian voice :

"Cookstown Junction! Change here for Randalstown, Castledawson, Magherafelt, Moneymore and all stations on the Cookstown line and don't say, ye blaggards, ye weren't towld."--Answers.

A Disappointed Man.

"How much does the government allow me?" said a citizen to the income tax collector.

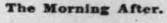
"Four thousand dollars," replied the official.

"Here is a statement of my income, then," and he handed a paper to Uncle Sam's representative, who looked at it and then observed, with some warmth of feeling:

"You have no occasion to file this. It shows an income of only \$1,200. You don't need to file a statement unless your income is \$3,500 or more."

"Didn't you say the law allowed me \$4.000?

"Well, my income was \$1,200, and I file the statement so that the government can give me the difference, which I figure out to be \$2,800. When do I get it?' After much expostulation the citizen was finally led out into the cool spring air.-Pittsburg Chronicle-Telegraph.





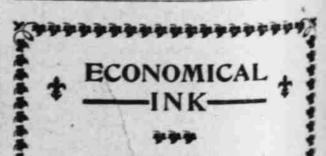
Distinguished Amateur Actor-I must have tumbled out of bed during the night. I wonder if any of the folks heard me.-Life.

Heartless Man.

"Maria," said Mr. Billus as he put on his hat preparatory to starting down town, "I wish you would see that the



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is why it is so popular among the people and often feared by those with axes to grind.

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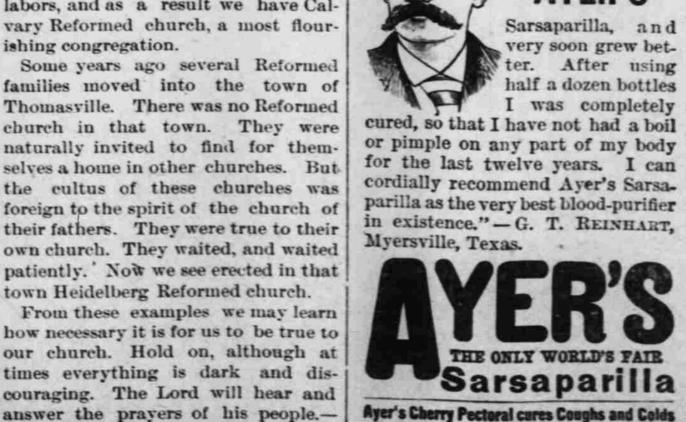
All honor to Raleigh, the noble capital city of grand old North Carolina: That city had the manhood to stand strictly by its principles in a very trying hour and not be seduced by overweening smiles and words that seemed so insocent and harmless.

The state convention of the Democratic party which met at Raleigh last year made a platform for the party and the people under which they were bound and pledged upon honor to sup- | Corinthian.

labors, and as a result we have Calvary Reformed church, a most flourishing congregation.

Some years ago several Reformed families moved into the town of Thomasville. There was no Reformed church in that town. They were naturally invited to find for themselves a home in other churches. But the cultus of these churches was foreign to the spirit of the church of their fathers. They were true to their own church. They waited, and waited patiently.' Now we see erected in that town Heidelberg Reformed church. From these examples we may learn how necessary it is for us to be true to our church. Hold on, although at

answer the prayers of his people .-



kitchen girl doesn't use kerosene for making fires any more. We could replace the girl easily enough, but kerosene costs money now."-Chicago Tribune.

Some Consolation.

"Well, Maceo," said General Joachim Maria, "I'm afraid our revolution won't wash."

"I'm afraid not," said Maceo, with a sigh, "but we're making the other fellows put up a good deal of Castile soap." -Minneapolis Journal.

A Lightning Phonographer. Business Man-Can you write shorthand?

Applicant-Yes, sir.

"How many words a minute?

"I never counted 'em, but the other day when my wife found in my overcoat pocket a letter which she gave me to mail last fall I took 'down every word she uttered as fast as she said them."

"You'll do."-New York Weekly.

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