

THE CHARLESTON VISITORS.

Met by a Large Delegation of Our Business Men and Shows Every Courtesy.

A large number of the business men of the city gathered at the depot yesterday afternoon and met the Charleston trade excursion, which arrived here at 4:05 o'clock. The excursion comprises a solid Pullman train with an observation car, and the party consisted of 60 live and bustling business men and the Metz band of fifteen pieces.

Mayor C. B. Wagoner headed the local delegation and immediately upon the visitors arrival they were placed in waiting automobiles and carriages and driven over several of the prominent streets of the city. The route traversed was as follows: From the depot to Georgia Avenue, down Georgia Avenue to Grove, thence to Spring by the Central graded school to Franklin Avenue, out Franklin Avenue to North Union, up North Union past the Locke mill. The party was then driven back down South Union through the main section and on to the depot. The band came directly from the depot to the square and gave a concert while the delegation was viewing the city.

The party consisted of the citizens who are leaders in their respective lines of business in Charleston and a representative of most every vocation to be found among their number. Each and every man was intent upon telling of the mutual advantages to be gained by a closer relationship between Concord and Charleston, and quite a few took advantage of the opportunity of distributing samples and literature of their respective lines of goods.

At the depot they all gathered close around the leader and gave a yell with an enthusiasm that evidenced the appreciation of their treatment here.

The details of the trip of the Charlestonians is being looked after by Mr. A. W. McKeand, secretary of the Charleston board of trade, who receives a salary of \$6,000 per year, being the highest paid commercial secretary in the South Atlantic States. The party was personally conducted by Messrs. R. H. DeBates and J. O. Jones, the clever and ever obliging traveling passenger agents of the Southern.

He Signs Contract Never to Kiss His Wife.

St. Louis, April 5.—When Dr. R. L. Barrington, member of the Ethical Society and special pension examiner for the government, would sit down to a meal in his home he used to ask his wife: "Is the food poisoned?"

Mrs. Mary W. Barrington, who is suing the physician for divorce, testified to this habit of his before Judge Reesier.

On cross examination Mr. Barrington identified a contract signed by her husband.

The note read: "I agree not to annoy my wife by kissing or caressing her, to confine my conversation to impersonal or business topics, so that our lives may be tolerable as possible, and to have my guests, if I happen to have any, to myself."

New School Tax Void.

Greensboro, April 5.—After listening to argument of counsel, Judge F. A. Daniels tonight sustained the defendant's demurrer in the case of W. W. Kitchin, Governor, vs. W. P. Wood, Auditor, and thus held an unconstitutional the increased ad valorem tax of 2 cents for school purposes in the State for the reason that through inadvertence the Legislature failed to maintain the constitutional equation as between the ad valorem and poll tax. The case will at once be carried to the Supreme Court of the State and an effort will be made to get an early opinion.

Burglars at Oil Mill.

Two men entered the office at the Concord oil mill this morning at 3 o'clock and ransacked the desk and other office furniture. They got all the money in the drawer, which was only a few pieces of small change. When they were discovered by the night watchman they got out and ran, firing at him first, however. The watchman fired at the retreating men three times, but so far as is known none of the men were hit. As the robbers ran they dropped several pennies in their path. There is no clue to the identity of the thieves.

No. 32 to Stop Here for Passengers South of Charlotte.

Local Counsel L. T. Hartwell, of the Southern Railway, has received a notice from Vice-President Andrews stating that train No. 32 would stop here for passengers south of Charlotte. Heretofore passengers were forced to get off this train at Charlotte and wait several hours for train No. 30, causing them great inconvenience.

A joker's idea of a good joke is one that is on the other fellow.

REAPPOINTMENT OF POSTMASTER BUCHANAN

President Taft's Policy to Reappoint Postmasters Who Have Made Good Records.

The contest for the office of postmaster of the city of Concord was ended yesterday when President Taft sent the nomination of Postmaster Moses L. Buchanan, the present incumbent, to the Senate for confirmation. As is well known there were two other aspirants for the position, Messrs. J. Harvey Dorton and Attorney H. S. Williams. The contest began no sooner than the political conflict last fall had ceased, and each candidate went after the plum in a vigorous manner. For several weeks petitions went the rounds thick and fast and each contestant succeeded in securing a large number of signers, but without detracting from the popularity and political prestige of the unsuccessful aspirants, it was well known that Mr. Buchanan succeeded in securing by far the largest number of signatures of the business enterprises of the city.

While there was no outward display of bitterness in the contest it is generally known among the political wise ones that the lines were closely drawn and no little feeling was engendered.

The appointment of Postmaster Buchanan is a victory for the Morehead wing of the Republican party, and is another instance of the failure of ex-Congressman Cowles to land his man, as it has been generally understood here that he favored Mr. Williams for the job.

Postmaster Buchanan's appointment is directly in line with President Taft's policy of reappointing all first term postmasters who have given satisfaction and have good official records and it goes without saying that Postmaster Buchanan has fully complied with these requirements.

Caruso's Eccentric Contract.

The eccentricity of Enrico Caruso the great Italian tenor, has led to a remarkable contract with the Vienna Royal Opera House management. Some of the conditions which he is said to have stipulated are:

Caruso will be permitted to smoke on the opera house stage until the curtain is about to arise. At that moment a Vienna fireman, stationed back of Caruso, will catch the butt of the singer's cigarette in a bucket of water.

No one not employed in the opera house will be allowed on the stage or in the wings so long as Caruso is in either place.

During his entire engagement no stranger to him, even a member of the theatre's ordinary company will be admitted to the part of the theatre that encloses the stage.

As long as the tenor is on the stage no scenery will be shifted. It is said that Caruso insists on this clause in the contract.

Caruso's suite consists of his physician, his private secretary, impresario and bandmaster. They will escort Caruso from his dressing room to the stage and back again.

The new contract raises the amount Caruso will receive each night he sings from \$2,200 to \$3,000. The management will pay \$100 a day for his and his suite's hotel expenses.

Alabama Solons Vote for Return of Saloons.

Montgomery, Ala., April 5.—State-wide prohibition in Alabama was given a knockout blow today when both branches of the legislature adopted the Smith liquor regulation bill.

This provides that 45 per cent. of the voters of a county may petition for an election to determine whether liquor shall be sold in that county, either by saloons, dispensary or otherwise. Each county is thereby given full power to regulate its liquor traffic.

President's Message Sent to Congress Yesterday.

Washington, April 5.—In his message to Congress today, President Taft pleaded for the passage of the Canadian reciprocity agreement, reiterated what he had said in his message to congress last January, emphasized the agreements and appropriations necessary to the response to the mutual needs of the people of the two countries, as well as its common advantages. He made no mention of the tariff or other legislation.

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MT. PLEASANT NEWS.

Uniting of Lenoir and North Carolina Colleges Will Not Affect the Institute—Personal Notes.

In the recently published reports of the joint committee of the North Carolina E. L. Synod and the Tennessee E. L. Synod relative to the union of certain educational work of these two synods an erroneous impression has become current. It has been repeatedly stated through the press, based doubtless on what was considered reliable information, that the joint committee was working to the end that the Collegiate Institute of this place be united with Lenoir College at Hickory. This is a mistake, arising no doubt from the idea in the minds of many that old North Carolina College and the Collegiate Institute go to make but one single institution. As a matter of fact, they are two different institutions, and it is the former—North Carolina College—that the committee has had under consideration and not the Collegiate Institute. When the matter first came before the synods, the Institute was brought into the deal, to borrow a business phrase, but for good and satisfactory reasons it has been left out of all deliberations. No matter what the outcome may be it will not effect the Institute at this place.

A record breaking crowd was present at the closing exercises of the Fink school last Saturday. A large number of students and townspeople were present.

All Fool's Day falling on Saturday did not deprive the edicts at the Institute of taking French leave, which they did on Friday as a substitute.

Mr. Carl Jansen will lecture in the auditorium Friday night.

Miss Margaret Bost returned to her home at Hickory today after spending a week with her friend, Miss Ella Moore.

Mr. Duncan Matthews has returned from Mintz, having completed his work there for the winter.

Mr. and Mrs. C. G. Heilig spent Sunday in Albemarle.

Mr. W. S. Hartwell spent a few days in Concord.

Mr. L. S. Shirey has returned from a business trip to Bear Poplar.

Mr. Jim James has gone to Albemarle where he has accepted a position in the Wisconsin Mills.

The annual meeting of the stockholders of the Kindley Cotton Mills was held yesterday. Mr. W. A. Kindley was elected president to succeed the late L. E. Hallig. Mr. Kindley has been serving in that capacity for the past six months by appointment.

Mt. Pleasant, N. C., April 6, 1911.

A Near Automobile Accident.

An accident was narrowly averted as the Charleston party was returning down North Union street, yesterday afternoon, just opposite the home of Mr. Levi Moore, when the 4-year-old child of Mr. and Mrs. Moore was struck by the machine of Mr. J. W. Cannon, Jr., which was driven by Mr. Frank Honeycutt. One of the Charlestonians in a carriage just in front of the machine threw some ad-dash for it and was so intent upon vertising matter out to a crowd of children. The little child made a securing the package she failed to notice the machine which was traveling at a slow speed. Mr. Honeycutt immediately threw on his emergency brake and the car came to a stop but the little child had already been caught on the steering rod, between the spring and the wheel. The only injuries was a slight cut on the head which was caused by the brake.

Hear the Noted Swedish Humorist and Entertainer.

Karl Jansen, the noted Swedish entertainer, will give one of his inimitable programs in the Auditorium at Mt. Pleasant Friday evening, April 7th. It does anyone good to hear Jansen. He is unique. A gentleman to the core, funny to overflowing, he compels your admiration and makes you laugh whether you want to or not. You will not regret going to hear this wonderful character. If anyone, after hearing him, feels that he has not gotten full value for his time and twenty-five cents, the management of the Lyceum Course will refund his money.

We publish elsewhere the announcement as candidates for aldermen of Messrs. Silla, Cannon, King, Propst, Brown and Bruton.

Food That Agrees

Gives health and strength.

Grape-Nuts

is such a food.

"There's a Reason"

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STATE TITLE CLEAR.

Indians Will Likely Be Unable to Reclaim North Carolina Lands.

Raleigh, April 5.—Luther W. Jack, secretary of the People's Right Society, of Lewiston, N. Y., has written Governor Kitchin for a detailed statement of the case of the Tuscarora Indians, of New York, formerly of this State, and their claim of a reversionary title to the large body of lands in Bertie county, embracing about 120,000 acres, that the Indians claim reverts to them after 1916, when a 150-year lease expires. This communication being turned over to Col. Grimes, secretary of state, he has prepared a detailed statement of the Indian transactions that develops the fact that the Indians had a fee simple right to these lands and not an Indian title only. Then in 1831 and 1832 there was consummated a deal with the Indians by which the State, in consideration of \$2,250 paid to the Indians, obtained from them the surrender of all title or color of title to the lands for all time, including any reversionary interest that they might believe they would have at the end of the 150-year lease in question. The secretary of state feels that the State has a complete case that will prevent any sort of disturbance of the present holders along the Roanoke river. He will have the statement he has printed in pamphlet form to meet an extensive demand there is for information as to the status of this case.

A Plain Business Talk.

The Salisbury Post has the same experience all of us have. Listen to what it says:

"Every business concern must on stated occasions go over its books and accounts to find where it is 'at.' The Post in doing so finds it has a number of subscribers that are badly in arrears, and it will have to cut them off after this week unless they pay up or communicate with us in regard to the amount. We do not like to do this but it becomes necessary. We have been furnishing the people the latest news of the town and country at heavy cost, and we must collect the amounts due us or the paper will be stopped. Too many people think it costs nothing to get out a paper when the facts are there are few businesses that take as much money for actual running expenses as a newspaper. Those who think so are respectfully requested to give it a trial.

This is a plain business talk and it is not intended for the man or woman who is paying for the paper or is making an effort to do so.

The city of Gastonia is to have a new depot. Work will begin on it at an early date. It is to cost about \$25,000.

The Smith's Greater Shows will be in Spencer next week.

SAYS PARTY IS ON TRIAL.

Speaker Clark Reminds Democrats Pledges Must be Kept.

Speaker Champ Clark in his speech at the opening of Congress Tuesday expressed his appreciation of the honor of being chosen by the representatives of 90,000,000 people to preside over their deliberations.

He gave utterance to his satisfaction at seeing his party in control of the House and emphasized his strong sense of responsibility to the country. He invited the earnest co-operation of all members of the House to the end that the business of the nation might be expedited.

Chief among the promises, the redemption of which the new Speaker urged, were:

An honest and intelligent revision of the tariff downward.

The passage of a resolution submitting to the States for ratification a Constitutional amendment providing for the election of United States Senators by popular vote.

Such changes in the rules of the House as are necessary for the thorough and intelligent consideration of measures for the public good.

Economy in public expenditures, to the end that labor may be lightly burdened.

Publication of campaign contributions and disbursements before the election.

The admission of Arizona and New Mexico as States.

The Enlarged Tribune.

"Yesterday's Tribune was certainly an improvement and I am delighted to know that it will continue to issue the enlarged edition permanently."

"The general appearance of the paper has certainly increased in attractiveness since it has been enlarged," said another citizen.

"The new Tribune is a hummer, and I am glad to note the progress," added a third.

A large number of similar expressions have been received and for all such bouquets The Tribune is delighted to express its most earnest appreciation.

Names of North Carolina Postmasters Sent to the Senate.

Washington, April 5.—A big batch of North Carolina postmasters had their names sent to the Senate today for confirmation. In the list are the following: J. M. Burrows, Asheboro; W. V. Hall, North Charlotte; M. L. Buchanan, Concord; F. D. Dickey; Murphy; J. G. Brown, Red Springs. It will be interesting to watch and see whether any of the North Carolina Republicans, through Congressman Morehead as the patronage man of the State, will offer objections to their confirmation.

Use our Penny Column—it pays.

Of Interest To All Who Sew on Sewing Machines

There being a demand here for Sewing Machine NEEDLES, REPAIRS, OIL AND ALL KINDS OF FIXTURES, we have put in a FULL LINE to meet this demand.

MR. DAN TUCKER, an old sewing machine man, will have charge of this Department and will be glad to supply all your needs in this line for all kinds and makes of machines.

See us when needing sewing machine repair, needles, etc.

H. L. Parks & Co.

Pay A Visit To THE SMITH GREATER SHOWS

All This Week On Morris Lot in Rear of City Hall.

Come and see their Great Wild Animal Circus, exhibiting the largest collection of Wild Performing Beasts in America.

Big Five-in-One Show, Colored Aristocracy Minstrels,

The famous Hanan Triplets, look alike, weigh the same; you can't tell them apart.

Laugh and grow fat at the Crazy House.

Follow the lights to the Big \$20,000 Hurdles, and hear the \$3,000 Electric Orchestra.

It is a treat to see Marvelous Mulville, the Aerialistic Wonder, doing a flying aerial tour. It's Free. Don't Miss It.

The North Pole Exhibit is Instructive as well as entertaining.

See the Busy City with its wonderful mechanical working figures

With this Bank is helpful not only to men in business but to every man and woman alike who has any business transactions.

It encourages economy, establishes your credit, makes sending money away or paying bills with Check easy, besides safeguarding your cash.

Why not start your Checking or Private Account with **The Cabarrus Savings Bank.**

Read Our April Offer—

During the month of April we are going to make very LOW prices on in everything in **House Furnishings.**

Now to find out whether we mean to do just what we say, just give us a call and be convinced.

CRAVEN BROS. Furniture & Undertaking Co.