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The President's first day's fishing in Saranac Lake proved fruitless. But he was not discouraged.

General B. F. BUTLER has written a letter positively denying that he is receiving favors from the executive department of CLEVELAND'S administration.

The Raleigh Signal says: "We the Democratic party out of power next year and the Republican party will wipe the internal revenue taxes from the statute book."

NEW YORK is becoming alarmed at the rapid influx of paupers and criminals from Europe. The great increase in the number of insane in the State is attributed to this cause.

THERE is again talk of an extra session of Congress. The President, it is said, is inclined to call an extra session if he had a satisfactory guarantee that such action would hasten the adjournment next spring.

THE most absurd stories started in political circles is the one that the President in consolidating the internal revenue districts "sat down" on Senator VANCE. In this work the President is simply carrying out the policy of retrenchment and reform which the Democratic party has been clamoring for since the TILDEN campaign was inaugurated.

NORTH CAROLINA WILMINGTON. The Daily Index, in speaking of the new enterprise of removing the Goldsboro Messenger to that city, says: "If our informant be correct, we see no reason why the venture should not succeed in every particular."

Now we think it a lamentable fact that North Carolinians do not properly appreciate what they have. The Index in the above lines gives the most glaring proof of this, because the Star, published in its own city, is unquestionably a first-class daily paper, and is so regarded outside of North Carolina.

MAYOR BODGES ON TEMPERANCE. The Brewer's Association of the United States held their annual convention in Baltimore on Tuesday night last, Mayor BODGES delivering the address of welcome.

democratize, to destroy confidence, to corrupt the minds of the young, and the people need teaching on these as well as on temperance in drink.

"This temperance is a great evil to me will do good. It is not the solitary evil that affects humanity, but it is one of many. There is not only intemperance in drink, but there is intemperance in thought and speech and action. There are those who would shrink with horror from a single glass of wine who yet would quarrel to the drugs the cup of rum and medicinal wines, and pour out in full measure the poisonous draught of misrepresentation, perversion of truth, false witness against their neighbors, and snubbery by cruel words, and in the midst of these influences of ambition, the sacred ties of friendship itself. There are those who would not do these things who yet dwell on topics established a false moral standard, and who have looked at one evil so long and so exclusively as to come to the belief not only that it is the worst of evils, but that there is hardly any other evil beside it. They hold one thing so close to their eye that for them it blots out the universe. Not only do they believe in this, but they act upon themselves, but in their passionate partisanship they insist on others seeing them in that light also. Black, a besotted drunkard, beats his wife and child, and she, a good citizen, husband and father, who was never intoxicated in his life, takes a glass of wine every day. Is there no intemperance in this? No, there is temperate temperance, besides punishing one for the sins of the other, classes both as the slaves of rum, and as belonging to the same class. There is something in the name of temperance in a line of thought so radical as that."

EPISCOPAL CONVENTION OF EAST CAROLINA. From the Augusta Register we extract the following from the proceedings of the convention recently held in Edenton, it being the fourth annual convention of the Diocese of East Carolina.

The body assembled in St. Paul's church on Wednesday, 18th inst. Rev. Dr. HARRIS presiding. Rev. Dr. HARRIS was elected president, Rev. Dr. NATHANIEL HARRIS, secretary, and Dr. A. M. DIXON, Jr., treasurer.

The annual sermon was by Rev. W. H. LEWIS, of St. James Church, Wilmington. An address was made by Miss EMORY, of New York, secretary of the Woman's Auxiliary Society. The Bishop's report was encouraging in its main features and we can only summarize it. During the year he had visited 216 churches or parishes, preached 147 sermons, confirmed 70 persons, 27 of whom were adults, baptized one, married one couple, and had administered the Holy Communion to 2,200 communicants. Had deposed one of the clergy and transferred one. He had also attended the general convention at Chicago, in October last, and spent a while in New York and officiated in Brooklyn.

In this Diocese the Methodist and Baptist had been very kind in extending the use of their churches for the Episcopal service, but in many places worship must be held in court houses and school buildings. The Bishop hoped more zeal would be displayed in the "state of the Church" made its report. A comparison of the statistics of the past year with the former year showed a state of dangerous apathy in the Church. It points out the following addresses were made: Dr. Lewis said a comparison of the statistics of 1886 with those of 1885 showed a decided falling off. Those connected with congregations should contribute to the support of the church in their duty. There was a misunderstanding as to the penalty annexed regarding the non-payment of tithes. The privilege of representation is appreciated by most parishes, and should be by all. This diocese is very strong, though little help is given by large local bodies. We have but a carried out on the penny. We must lose the penny. We are in need of more means and more methods. The assessment plan was being tried everywhere else with success. We need extra effort to stir up the clergy and people. It should be understood some united effort as something really would be produced.

Mr. John S. Long of New Bern, said the prosperity of the church depends on the zeal of its missionaries. We need more enthusiasm. It is the missionary spirit which gave the apostle a church success. The geography of the diocese is a great advantage. It begins nowhere and goes everywhere. The people of the diocese are mostly an agricultural people. We should have eight or ten convocations a year instead of two or three. The duty must be reached. There must be a move between the laity and the clergy. In order to spiritualize our people we ought to moderate in the church in the spirit of the English and Canadian church. The council of the diocese of East Carolina is an important factor in this work. Our councils should be more active. They should be more active in visiting parishes to see that delegates are sent here, and their expenses paid. Delegates should not be selected because of their social or financial standing simply, but

because of their efficiency and devotion to the church. If so, we shall in future have a much larger attendance. Our meetings should be made occasions of spiritual benefit and enthusiasm, and we should do all we can to interest the laity, the young and the aged, and to be accepted of by the masses.

Rev. Dr. N. C. Hughes said there was a great fall in the part of the people to do their duty toward the church, and in other respects. He held that much fact in compulsory measures, being adopted to make people give. People do not understand their duty. They need to be taught. Every household should give. A portion of his income, God requires us first to seek the Kingdom of God and his righteousness. If a man's heart is in his work he will give time, money and everything. As to missionary work, we are doing very little. We need evangelists to visit vacant and newly-consecrated lands and hunt up the scattering members of the church.

The council requested that convocations of the diocese take steps to visit the vacant parishes and parishes in order that the work of the church be promoted. The Bishop expressed a desire to hear from some one who had been engaged in a mission work. Rev. N. C. Hughes, Jr., said he had some experience. Had visited portions of Chowan, Currituck, Camden, Gates, Hertford, Bertie, Pitt, Martin, Wayne, and other counties. Found a state of spiritual destitution very general. Found in many sections comparative ignorance and immorality. He had not only four or five Episcopalians. Held a service in Murfreesboro. Had a large congregation, but there were only two or three church members. At Sandy Mills found only half dozen. Was everywhere received kindly by members of other churches. Did not find a single Episcopalian in Currituck. Was told that he was the only Episcopalian minister who had been there since the war. The prejudice against the church was wearing away. The field was ripe. The laity seem to long for many things for the churches. They seem to long for more than the clergy. There was a great work for missionaries to do; great numbers to be gathered in the field. Heroinism is where man forgets himself and does all he can do in heart, mind and pocket for the cause of "his" friends. He looks far in resolutions of Councils. Lay men and women are needed. They should ask themselves, "How much can I do for God, and how little can I get along with myself?"

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