### How to Find Out.

Fill a bottle or common glass with water and let it stand twenty-four settling or sediment indicates healthy condition of the kidneys : sains your linen it is evidence of he celebrated his 127th birth-day April v (rouble; too frequent desire to or pain in the back is also conproof that the kidneys and other respects he is said to be well. ler are out of order.

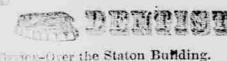
#### WHAT TO DO.

comfort in the knowledge expressed, that Dr. Kilmer's ot, the great kidney remedy very wish in curing rheuma- days ago. He has traveled much and in in the back, kidneys, liver. and every part of the urinary It corrects inability to hold and his observations count for some al scalding pain in passing it. wing use of liquor. eer, and overcomes that nebeing compelled to go often the day, and to get up many loring the night. The mild and when our people learn their own possiextraordinary effect of Swamp is som realized. It stands the est for its wonderful cures of the stressing cases. If you need a ne you should have the best. y druggists in fifty cent and

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Present, Past and Future.

many old people. Among the most

noted for age is Noah Raby who lives

at Piscataway, N. J. He was born in

"Eastern Carolina will be a garden

some day," remarked a Virginia gentle-

s a man of many and extensive affairs,

thing. He regards this section as one

of the finest in the South and expects

to see it flourish like a garden, he says,

The sixteenth annual session of th

North Carolina Teachers' Assembly

will be held at Morehead City, June

13th to 18th. This is the only meet-

ing that brings together the entire

educational body of the State, and it is

important that all teachers who can

have been secured at one-half and

board can be had for a dollar a day. It

friends of education to meet and b

"Women are coming to the front,

they say now and then; and North

other State. It sounds up-to-date

matters industrial to see the announ-

cement that a lady architect has open-

ed an office in Raleigh and is now

a talented young architect, of Hickory,

has opened an office here," said the

News and Observer a few days ago. If

preparing for others to build, it

commendable, and we say it is wel

From almost any industrial journal

you take up, or any other kind, as fo

hat, you may learn that great interest

is being felt and expressed about the

material development of the South

And there are not wanting sure indi-

cations that the South is taking on

new life, especially in the matter of

cotton manufacture. In this North

THE COMMONWEALTH is still sur-

prised that Eastern Carolina should be

so slow to manufacture cotton when i

is the chief product of this section.

Every county in Eastern Carolina

ought to manufacture its own cotton

The frequency of railroad wrecks ha

sometimes caused timid persons and

those of more fearful disposition to

hesitate about riding much on rallroad

trains. Oft-times travel loses its inter-

est to such persons and it is not strange

that it should. Doubtless many have

wondered at the great number of

wrecks and what could cause so many.

It may not lessen the number of

curious to know that it has been work-

ed out by statistics that seven-

tenths of the railroad wrecks are caused

by curves in the road beds. So if we

could have entirely straight roads we

Eastern Carolina. Being yery near

should have no wrecks, practically.

Carolina is not behind.

mutually benefited.

bilities and let others know them.

man to the editor of-this paper a few

SCOTLAND NECK, N. C., THURSDAY, MAY 11, 1899.

PRESENT DAY THOUGHTS history of the United States more of light than of darkness, more of progress history of the United States more of

North Carolina is the birth-place of THE PHILIPPINES TO BE CON SIDERED.

About the Campaign of 1900.

BY G. GROSVENOR DAWE.

Gates county, N. C., April 1, 1772; so Written for The Commonwealth. the right to purchase one is non-exist ent, so also is the right to purchase 7,- reaching in its power than us. 000,000. Just one other element enters into this dictum : namely, that the United States has neither purchased one terms that are misleading and about or 7,000,000. To so phrase the com- trifles that are not worth taking up deep for the comprehension of the aver- improvement of the day in which we aged unbiased man.

derstood that the question of expansion that are ours will not mean their enwill be a yery vital element in the next slavement but as far as possible their presidental campaign, and very fitting- enlightenment, for each year sees ly so, because it represents a policy that among our people an increase of genuted States is new in this particular, that backward on the part of those who are the expansion takes in territory that is fortunate and forward. separated by vast stretches of water is a fine opportunity for teachers and from the Union itself. This is new in our history, very new; and as all new things-new books, new bonnets, new dresses, new babies-are considered fit objects for comment and criticism there conflict of thought.

ready for business. "Miss Bonniwell, national election in this country re- that he may lead them to Christ. mind one strangely of the discords that the beginning of a concert. These You can hinder his doing so. Let me all his life. There is a big difference the young female architect can make her way in the world by building and

wered by asking another. When the your Godly living-endorsing, empha-United States yielded to its expansive sizing and showing the uplifting power wrecks, but it may be of interest to the Louisiana or by other purchases that divine authority to stand before the have made it what it is, are we to un- people and claim for that gospel great derstand that the inhabitants of these regions became mere chattles of the United States? This question shows hate the carnal things they once loved, the trifling character of the other; for and love the spiritual things they once while the United States was perfectly bated, and even though their talents ready at times to defend its territorial be small, it can make mighty men, in dream of Boone given by his grand-Our esteemed contemporary, the rights in such purchases and has de-Norfolk Landmark, places us under fended its rights by actual force claim it to others. You can hinder obligations for its good opinion in callwhere the transfer of the territory was ing The Commonwealth one of the opposed in any way, yet in no sense his life, ministry and pastoral work by most progressive weekly newspapers of and at no time has it claimed to own he preaches. the bodies of its new inhabitants. Tothe Old North State; but we are gether, in all cases, the old inhabitants equally grateful for its good opinion of and the new, accepting the logic of the situation and with as little friction as our eastern border and knowing very possible have worked out their own financial and political and educational Kidneys, Malaria or nervous troubles. salvation, very much to their own ben- We mean he can cure himself away by "If Eastern Carolina allows itself to efit directly and very much to the ben-"If Eastern Carolina allows itself to efit directly and very much to the ben-be outstripped in the march of indus-efit of the United States indirectly. a stimulant to Liver and Kidneys, is a came started out in the direction his

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than of retrogression, more of liberty than of misery-the genius of the people will be found to adjust itself to new conditions in a way that is upright, wholesome, proper and American in the highest and the truest sense.

With expansionists and anti-expansionists alike the thought of enslaving Who Said "Slaves?"-A friendly 7,000,000 people is abhorrent. Yet in 1st. His eyesight is not good, but in editor writes me: "What have you a very true and utterly worthy sense, to say as to the legal right of the Unt- this mythical something made up of ted States to purchase 7,760,000 per- 70,000,000 restless units and yet posses sons and to govern them without the sing a character of its own, does own consent of the governed?" Just this: us individually and so truly so that That the United States has as much there never have been and never will right to purchase 7,000,000 people as be lacking men to give up their lives it has the right to purchase one. But for the perpetuity of this something which is greater than we and more far-

We should quit twaddling about live and of the earth on which we tread. Thus shall we do. The resto-It seems now to be thoroughly un- ration of peace to the tropical regions

#### Criticising The Pastor.

BY REV. O. C. PEYTON.

You make a sad, pitiful and fatal

dicords, however, subside when the con- briefly mention some of the ways: (1) in men. Some have "gumption" and ductor weilds his baton, and they give B; with-holding your confidence and others are "gumps." Some are all place to the harmony that is possible sympathy. If you do not place confi- theory, others are all practice. Some with all the instruments. Thus is it dence in your pastor as a man and a men can do nothing even with everywith our paissant nation when an elect- minister, he cannot help you. What thing in their favor. Others success ion is decided. Remember if you will you believe him to be in his character with everything against them. Some fierce feelings that seemed to run riot and life will re-enfoce and emphasize men read fully and study carefully th during the last presidential campaign. his speech. What a preacher is de- theoretical part of the silage question Excitement was so intense that wise termines the effect of what he says. consult the owners of siles, hire skilled men and brave men feared violence Don't be looking for your pastor's labor to build the sile, buy the most would be shown by whichever party faults. Be charitable and patient and complete and improved machinery was defeated. Remember, too, that give him your loving sympathy. His and then fail. Others pick up second two days after the election the excite- work is arduous and difficult. Sympa- handed machinery for part of the ment had yanished and feelings were thize with him, pray for him, and he outfit and whittle the rest out with can help you. (2) By with-holding pocket knife. The great ears, running your temporal support. "God has or- about two and a half inches through Thus will it be in 1900, no matter dained that he that preacheth the goshow fierce the feeling that may be pel, shall live of the gospel." He de- length, with their great load of fully aroused. But as I remarked last week, mands of you that when your pastor formed kernels of corn, were cut right it is essential in order that this country contributes to you in spiritual things, into the silo with the rest, and give may understand the full merits of the you shall contribute to him in when fed, a grain ration with the fed. question and in order to act intelligent- temporal things. The Bible declares der. The entire process, from start to ly, that certain details dragged in by that the liberal soul shall be made fat. finish, was simple, cheap and yet effect writers as if part of the main question "Give, and it shall be given to you," ive. With the sile in the hands of should be clearly understood as having are words from the lips of Jesus. If such men it is possible to keep more no connection with it at all. Such, for you permit narrowness, coyetousness than one cow to the acre, giving he instance, as the institution of a like- and selfishness to rule in your life, you all of the forage she needs during the ness between the struggle of Aguinaldo will sorely hinder your pastor from be- year and a portion of her grain ration and the struggle of George Washing- ing of spiritual prodit to you. The re- "Intensive farming" and more farmers ton. This we touched on last week. ligion that costs nothing is of little with "gumption" is the great need of Now comes up the other one raised by value. God has decreed that there the hour. "Git," "grit" and "gumpthe friendly editor; a question so shall be the closest connection between tion" are necessary things or qualificaadroitly put that unless answered em- liberality in supporting His cause and tions to have. The farmer needs them. phatically and eliminated from next true spiritual progress. You cannot Our North Carolina Yankee will secure year's discussion will make Americans thwart His purpose. (3) By not living a grand success, simply because he is tremendous. You can't knew too appear to themselves as national traf- the truth your pastor preaches. If making ready for any emergency, even fickers in human flesh. In Yankee your church is to be a real force in to "making whistles out of a pig's tail." tashion this question can best be ans- your community it must be through

impulses, earlier in the century, by the of the gospel. Your pastor has the and wondrous things. It can unstop deaf ears, open blind eyes, melt icy hearts, stir human lives, make men zeal and usefulness, of those who ac- daughter: cept 1t, obey it and go forth to proyour pastor from doing you good by

> Maryville, Tenn. A CLEVER TRICK.

It certainly looks like it, but there is eally no trick about it. Anybody can try it who has Lame Back and Weak trial enlightenment by the western part So long as the spirit of the United blood purifier and nerve tonic. It cures States remains what it is-and addled Constipation, Headache, Fainting be the brain that cannot see in the Spells, Sleeplessness and Melancholy-Rheumacide is a thorough, perma- and restores the system to its natural walked on briskly, guided by the im-

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### CAROLINA YANKEE.

How He Thriyes Here.

MAKES THINGS TURN UP ANY-HOW.

We ran onto one the other day-the genuine sort. Passing down the streets of Elizabeth City recently in search of agricultural items we met a horse and cart manipulated by a colored driver, and when we say manipulate we mean it. Perhaps it could have been more appropriate to have used the word "maneuver," as it required considerable "maneuvering" to get along with the load he had on. He had a load of corn just as it was cut from the field, the stalks were fully fifteen feet in length and the great ears and blades were in proportion. The great stalks, two inches or more through at the but ends, were laid lengthwise until the cart, pact between the United States and and come to the really important facts box or body, was full, and then the Spain in relation to the Philippines, is of our political life, so that our thoughts, stalks were laid on crosswise to com perversion of terms that is quite too our acts, and our lives are given to the plete the load, and the streets being somewhat narrow in places the long stalks practically had the right of way. Curiosity and a search after knowledge prompted us to follow the load, which led us to the home of the city dairymay, where we found him cutting this long corn and storing it in a silo. We had a long and pleasant visit with him. while not new in the history of the Uni- ine interest in the unfortunate and He had taken up the silo question and solved it by himself. He bought a second-hand fodder cutter and a secondhand engine and rigged up his silo and belts and carriers, using good practical common sense-had no one to show him, had to feel his way along, and for four or five years has successfully filled his silo with most satisfactory results. will naturally not be a shrinking of eith- mistake when you criticise your pastor His cows, horses and pigs were all fat er of the great parties from the fullest sort before your children. By doing so you and plump. The stalks of corn had of discussion in relation to new politics. mar and destroy the influence of your from one to two mammoth ears to each This is quite as it should be, for while pastor over your children. If he is a stalk. The kernels on the great col-stalk. in the multitude of counsellors there true man of God, he yearns to be the were full-grown, just beginning to s wisdom, there is also wisdom in the means under God of saving your chil- glaze, and they were all cut right in dren. He thinks and prays much with the stalks. The ingenuity of about it. Try your utmost to help him this dairyman was equal to any emer The opposing notes prior to a great to get an influence over your children, gency, and he was running the ensil age matter just as easily and confident-I am sure your pastor's earnest de- ly, as though he had invented the procharacterize the few minutes prior to sire and purpose is to do you good. cess himself and had been practicing i

at the butt, ten to twelve inches in

the woods where he had parted from his friend. One night while sleeping at his camp-fire he dreamed of finding a human skeleton and a gun in a big hollow tree. The dream was so vivid that when the hunter awoke he still bad a distinct mental picture of the tree and its surroundings, and believed he could go to the spot. The hunter aking Electric Bitters. This medi lay awake the rest of the night think-

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NO. 19 pression the sleeping vision had left. He found the big hollow tree just as he had seen it in his sleep, and looking into the large cavity near the ground discovered a complete human skeleton and an old flint-lock rfile. The fulfillment of the dream was so perfect that the hunter always believed that he was guided in this way to the remains of his lost triend. He supposed that his companion got lost in the woods, and when night overtook him crawled into the hellow tree to sleep, and there died of some disease. Had the Indians killed the man they would haye taken his gun,"

SEARCH THOU OUR HEARTS.

Search Thou our hearts, O Gols, and If this our strife be waged for Thee.

Thou gavest in our infancy The precious gift of liberty. And is it, then, through Thy commands

We rend the gift from other hands? Lord God of Battles once wast Thou-Declare Thyself unto us now!

Peace, Hast Thou not bidden war to cease? Yet, peradventure, now, as then, Through darkling paths Thou leadest

For since One came, the Prince of

From present ills of war and blood, l'ermittest them to work out good. An hundred years Thy face bath shed Its light upon the paths we tread. And all we did was in Thy name,

No stronger nation walks Thine earth Than ours, the one of latest birth. Since Thou hast given such bounteous

What need, O Lord, have we of more? Then wee to us if we profane Thy name to cloak our lust of gain!

No sin more hateful, Lord, may be Than that which cursed the Pharisee. And Thou, howe'er we cloak intent, Wilt judge us by the thing we meant.

Search Thou our hearts, O God, and If this our strife be waged for Thee.

#### A Few Thoughts About Schools.

Arachel, in The Exponent.

The school teacher is by no mean the only person responsible for the education of our boys and girls. By the word "education," I do not mean school training only; but the training of parents, guardians, the examples set before the eyes of the young by men and women who are looked up to by the community as leaders.

When a young man has gained an honorable position in the world, and received the plaudits of his fellow-men, t, by no means, follows that his teachers should have the credit. And just as truly would it be a wrong conclusion, to infer that a young man who turns out worthless, had bad teachers. Environment has an immense influence in determining the careers of Do not let the reader infer from the

foregoing that I consider the teaching that a youth receives has little weight in the making of the future man. It has much weight-but not all.

It is a serious and solemn thing to be a teacher. The responsibility is much to be a teacher. If experience is needed in the prosecution of any business, most especially is it needed by the teacher. Bricks and mortar, granite, marble.

do not make a school. Some of the best teaching ever done in our State was done in log school houses. Neither does a complete equipment of patent desks, or roller maps, or charts, or fancy black-boards, or portraits of tamous literary men and professors of colleges, or gymnastic apparatus, or a chemical laboratory, or appliances for instruction in physics, or mineral cabinets and geological museums make a school. The school is the teacher, pure and simple.

How few parents inquire into the qualifications of the new teacher They may, possibly, ask what political party does he belong to and of what religious denomination. But do they ask: Who is he? What is he? Is he a Christian? Is he a gentleman? Has he good habits? Does he know how to manage children? What say his pupils of his other schools about him? Lastly-Is he a graduate?

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