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**THE BIBLICAL RECORDER AND  
STATE PROHIBITION.**

Mr. J. W. Bailey, president of the  
State Anti-Saloon League, recently  
contributed a paper to the Atlantic  
Quarterly, in which he committed  
himself to the local option system,  
saying that state prohibition is a  
failure.

Mr. Bailey had been editor of the  
Biblical Recorder for fourteen years  
and made this contribution to the  
discussion of temperance just before  
selling his interest in the paper to  
Rev. C. W. Blanchard, who a few  
weeks ago assumed editorial control  
of it.

Many of the temperance people of  
the State, and a large part of the  
Baptist people of the State, believe  
that Mr. Bailey gave the cause of  
temperance a heavy blow by publish-  
ing his paper against state prohibi-  
tion; for it was accepted by a large ma-  
jority of the temperance forces, we  
believe, that state prohibition is the  
ultimate aim of the Anti-Saloon  
League.

The great temperance forces of the  
state widely differ from Mr. Bailey  
in his declaration against prohibition  
in favor of local option, and many  
are free to say that he has done the  
cause great harm.

Rev. C. W. Blanchard, the new  
editor of the Biblical Recorder, in  
the last issue of that paper, declared  
that while he thinks without ques-  
tion that Mr. Bailey believes he is  
right, Mr. Bailey's views do not  
commit the Recorder to the local  
option system against prohibition.

Mr. Blanchard rings clear as to  
his position concerning Mr. Bailey's  
views and the policy of the Recorder.  
He says:

"I do not for a moment question  
his candor nor his motives in his posi-  
tion, but I have never for one  
moment agreed with his conclusions.  
I do not intend to write an editorial  
discussing the matter at length now,  
nor to set forth my reasons for the  
stand I shall take. It would not be  
wise to do so, perhaps, while a clear  
discussion of the matter is going on  
by Mr. Bailey and others in the Re-  
corder. But, I want to add, that my  
views are not just maturing on  
this subject. In 1881 when the  
people of North Carolina were in  
the midst of a campaign for constitu-  
tional prohibition, I began the exer-  
cise of my franchise by casting my  
first ballot 'for prohibition' by  
Constitutional Amendment. I be-  
lieved then that the manufacture  
and sale of alcoholic drinks were  
evils that never had any right to  
legislative existence, and I have had  
no reason from any consideration I  
have ever seen to change my views.  
The Constitutional right to protect  
the business in any form must come  
from a divine right, if it shall stand  
the test of final appeal. This, to my  
mind, renders the case helpless and  
impossible. Believing that absolute  
protection by law, Constitutional,  
State and Federal law, was the end  
to be desired, and the only condition  
that would serve the need of a civil-  
ized people, and the will of God, I  
have let no opportunity pass for  
rendering the cause a service. I be-  
lieve we have delayed the time of  
our absolute deliverance from the  
curse and re-opened battlefields that  
had been fought and closed out by  
not bringing the strength of the  
temperance forces of North Carolina  
to bear upon the late General As-  
sembly to give us a vote upon a con-  
stitutional amendment for state pro-  
hibition. I have said this much to  
let the readers of the Recorder, who  
have been anxious to know my posi-  
tion, know where I stand on the  
question. The fuller reasons for my  
position I reserve for another time."

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**SOME DAYS IN RICHMOND.**

The editor of THE COMMONWEALTH  
spent some days in Richmond in at-  
tendance upon the Southern Baptist  
Convention. The few days there  
were altogether pleasant because of  
the great occasion which brought  
so many people together from all  
parts of the South, and because the  
people of Richmond surpassed them-  
selves in cleverness and hospitality  
to the visitors.

Richmond is a pretty city, well  
governed and well cared for gener-  
ally, and the people are as clever as  
the city is beautiful. It is a place  
of much historic interest, and time  
spent in the city can be well utilized  
on any occasion.

The Southern Baptist Convention  
is one of the greatest religious gath-  
erings in the world. Its proceedings  
were well and accurately told by the  
daily press while the convention was  
in session. One could learn a great  
deal about the South by listening to  
the discussions of christian work on  
the various fields of labor from  
which representatives came with a  
report of their work.

One of the most pleasant features  
of our stay in Richmond was the as-  
sociation with the congenial guests  
at Mrs. Carter's, the lady who so  
kindly looked after the comfort of  
those whom she so bountifully en-  
tertained. That good hostess and  
her clever guests will be well re-  
membered for some time to come.

**MINISTER CALLED OUT AND KILLED.**

Mount Airy, May 24.—Last night  
a killing occurred ten miles north  
of this place in Carroll county, Virginia,  
which is regarded as the most cowardly  
crime ever committed in a section  
which in the past year has been  
the scene of several shootings.

Rev. Joseph Easter had retired,  
when some man called him up to in-  
quire the nearest way to a neigh-  
bor's. The preacher came to the door  
and walked around the house with  
the man to show him a path through  
the plantation, when another man a  
short distance away emptied a load  
of buck shot into him, killing  
him instantly. It is learned that the  
victim's wife recognized the man who  
did the shooting, as the moon was  
shining brightly and the arrest of the  
guilty party is expected.

The shooting is supposed to have  
been the outcome of the preacher's  
fight among his church members up-  
on the blockaders of that section. A  
large crowd gathered at the dead  
man's house to-day and it is said  
that if the guilty party is apprehend-  
ed he will be promptly lynched.

**Bell—Cobb.**

(Reported for The Commonwealth.)

One of the prettiest home mar-  
riages of the season was solemn-  
ized at the residence of Mr. A. F.  
Bell near Tarboro, Wednesday, night  
May 22, when his daughter Miss  
Lottie Thurston Bell became the  
bride of Mr. John Allen Cobb of  
Conetoe N. C.

Promptly at eight o'clock the  
bride and groom entered. First came  
the maid of honor, Miss Alice Lee  
Laurence, of Hamilton, N. C., cousin  
of the bride, and Mr. Charles Ed-  
ward Cobb, brother of the groom,  
as best man. The bride was hand-  
somerly gowned in champagne silk,  
with hat, gloves and shoes to match  
and carried bride's roses. The maid  
of honor wore white organdie and  
carried La Franc roses.

In his usual way, sweet and im-  
pressive, Elder M. L. Laurence, uncle  
of the bride, performed the cere-  
mony.

The parlor was beautifully decorat-  
ed, the color scheme being green  
and white. Following the marriage  
was a reception at which delicious  
creams and cakes were served.

There were many very handsome  
and valuable presents received which  
showed the popularity of the couple.  
We extend our best wishes to Mr. and  
Mrs. Cobb and wish for them a long  
and happy life. Mrs. Cobb is one  
of Edgecombe's most charming  
young ladies and Mr. Cobb is a very  
prosperous and industrious young  
man. The bridal party left at 10  
o'clock for their future home.

Those from a distance were Mr. and  
Mrs. John Askew, of Scotland Neck,  
N. C.; Mrs. William Fly and children,  
of Battleboro, N. C.; Elder M. L.  
Laurence and daughter, Miss Alice  
Lee Laurence, of Hamilton.

While Police Alex Arnett, way try-  
ing to arrest Will Gales at Hope  
Mills the latter drew a pistol and shot  
Arnett, three shots taking effect,  
two in the leg and one in the wrist.  
Arnett returned the fire just as Gales  
was turning to run and shot Gales in  
the back inflicting wounds from  
which he may not recover.

Argo Red Salmon has the "Moor-  
ish" taste, the more you eat the more  
you want.

**JOHN B. TILLERY.**

February 22, 1824—May 24, 1907.

In the death of brother John B.  
Tillery the town and county have  
lost one of their oldest and best citi-  
zens and the cause of Christianity  
has lost one of its most earnest rep-  
resentatives. He was quiet and un-  
assuming but he bore the image of  
his Master in his patient, gentle life.  
He prayed no loud prayers nor did  
he parade his religion upon the street  
corner, but he lived the Christ life  
every day. The best of religion is  
in the living and he lived nobly and  
uprightly. The universal testimony is  
"A good man has gone," and "A  
good name is rather to be chosen  
than great riches." The noble and  
worthy bearing of his life finds a  
most excellent illustration in the  
splendid sons and daughters he left  
behind. They are seven. Three  
sons and four daughters. Each one  
an earnest follower of Jesus. A  
noble tribute to the old father is  
this. He trained them in the way  
they should go in their childhood and  
they did not depart from it.

He was eighty three years old and  
for many years a child of God.  
Like the patriarchs of old he went  
down to the grave full of years and  
good deeds. Like the sheaf ripe for  
the garner, he died full ripe and  
ready for heaven.

All his life until about two years  
ago was spent on the farm, near  
Tillery in this county. And this  
healthy out-of-door occupation in-  
vigorated him and kept him young  
even in his old age. For until the  
last few months of his life he was  
active and vigorous and spent much  
of his time in the garden with his  
hoe and rake. He frequently said  
he did not know how to be idle.

Some time during the winter he  
had the grip from which he never  
quite recovered. He seemed to grow  
weaker, and when old age pressed  
its claims upon him in this weaken-  
ed state he was unable to resist.  
Slowly he gave way and we could  
see the gradual losing of ground.

The end came so quietly. His was  
a Christian's death. The crossing had  
no alarms; it was a deliverance.  
It was such a fitting close to his  
quiet, undemonstrative life. Like  
the setting of a summer's sun when  
no cloud or storm was near. He  
just quietly went to sleep—and the  
very ease and quietness seemed to  
whisper, "Peace." "Asleep in Jesus,  
blessed sleep." Ah, what comfort  
to his bereaved children around his  
bed and what a message for the sons  
of men! To the child of God death  
is only a dream.

The funeral procession left his  
home at five o'clock Saturday and  
he was laid to rest in the Baptist  
cemetery.

**HIS PASTOR.**

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ing Salmon and sauces. Ask your  
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**Trinity College Commencement.**

The commencement of Trinity Col-  
lege will be held June 2 to 5, with  
the following programme:  
Sunday, June 2, 8:30 p. m. Baccalaureate Address.—President John C. Kilgo.

Tuesday, June 4, 11 a. m. Baccalaureate Sermon.—Rev. Donald Sage Mackay, D. D., New York City.  
Tuesday, June 4, 1 p. m. Alumni Dinner. Address.—Jerome Dowd, Charlotte, N. C.

Tuesday, June 4, 8:30 p. m. Graduating Oration.  
Wednesday, June 5, 10:30 a. m. Commencement Address.  
Associate Justice, David T. Brewer, Washington, D. C.

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**MRS. WM. MCKINLEY DEAD.**

Canton, O., May 26.—At 1:05 o'clock Mrs. William McKinley fell into the sleep that knows no awaken-  
ing. The transition from life to death was so peaceful and gradual that it was with difficulty that the vigilant physicians and attendants noted when dissolution came.

There was no struggle—no pain Mrs. McKinley never knew of the efforts made for days to prolong her life, nor of the solicitous hope against hope of her sister and other relatives and friends for her recovery.

At the McKinley home when death came there were present Secretary Cortelyou, Mr. and Mrs. M. C. Barber, Mrs. Sarah Duncan, Mrs. Luther Day, Justice and Mrs. William R. Day, Drs. Portmann and Rixey and the nurses.

Near Angier, on the border of Wake county, Miss Amantha Jones was burned to death. Her age was 19 and she was the daughter of Mr. Allison G. Jones, a farmer.

**Bank Statement.**

Report of the condition of the Scot-  
land Neck Bank, at Scotland Neck in  
the State of North Carolina, at the  
close of business May 18, 1907.

RESOURCES.

Loans and discounts.....	\$111,675.93
Overdrafts.....	3,070.46
All other Stocks, etc.....	8,500.00
Furniture and Fixtures.....	1,025.00
Due from Banks etc.....	31,494.15
Cash items.....	2,654.99
Gold coin.....	1,000.00
Silver coin, etc.....	2,113.40
National bank notes, etc.....	6,500.00
Currency account.....	59.00
Total.....	\$168,092.93

LIABILITIES.

Capital stock.....	\$ 25,000.00
Undivided profits, etc.....	6,473.14
Dividends unpaid.....	384.00
Time Certificates.....	18,712.98
Deposits subject to ch'k.....	116,451.49
Cashier's C's outstanding.....	958.82
Bond Tax.....	112.50
Total.....	\$168,092.93

State of North Carolina, County of Halifax,  
I, Frank P. Shields, Cashier of the above-named bank, do solemnly swear that the above statement is true to the best of my knowledge and belief.  
FRANK P. SHIELDS, Cashier.

Correct—Attest:  
N. B. JOSEY,  
G. HOFFMAN,  
R. M. JOHNSON,  
Directors.  
Subscribed to and sworn to before me, this 28 day of May, 1907.  
J. H. ALEXANDER, Notary Public.

**Says The Town Has Greatly Improved.**

The News and Observer says that Governor Glenn gave a glowing report concerning his visit to several points in Eastern Carolina. Of Scotland Neck he said that the town has greatly improved since he saw it during the great political campaign of 1892. He says that there are many pretty residences and stores here and that the town presents an air of real progress.

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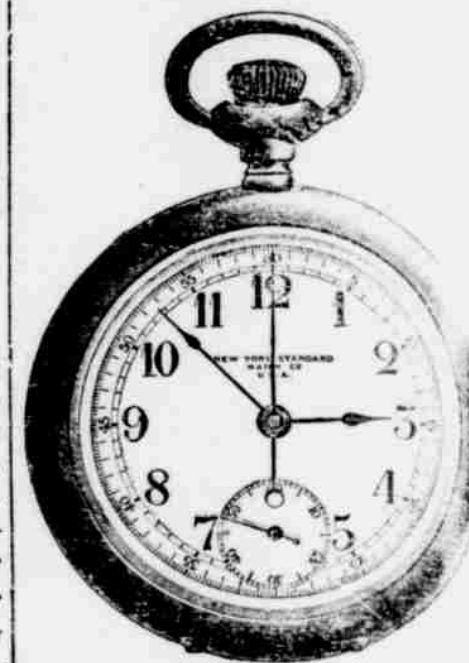
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**Notice.**

By virtue of power vested in me by that deed of trust executed to me on the 1st day of July, 1902, by Olivia Pittman, which deed of trust is recorded in the Register of Deeds Office in Book 184 at Page 423, I shall on the 7th day of June, 1907, sell to the highest bidder for cash at public auction in the town of Scotland Neck, N. C., the following described property:

That lot or parcel of land in the town of Scotland Neck, N. C., and lying on the south side of Twelfth street and beginning at the northeast corner of Block 58, thence down said street in a westerly direction fifty feet, thence in a southerly direction parallel with Greenwood street fifty feet, thence in an easterly direction parallel with Twelfth street fifty feet, to Greenwood street, thence up Greenwood street to the beginning, being a part of Block 38 according to the Map of said town. This the 9th day of May, 1907.  
C. SPEED, Trustee.  
S. A. DUNN, Atty. 5-24

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