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Publisher's Announcement.

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THE PAYNE TARIFF BILL.

On Thursday, March 18, the tall bill presented by Mr. Payne, of New York and referred to the Committee on Ways and Merry, was rep back without amendment, and or Tuesday, March 23rd, the discussion of the bill was begun by its author, and continued throughout the day. Hon. Champ Clark and other representatives have been heard on the bill, and the argument still continues. It is not known just yet how long the free discussion will continue. As concerns North Carolina and neighboring States, they are most affected by the items relating to colton manufacturers of the coarser grades and to lumber, says Sunday's Charlotte Observer. The tariff or single yarns up to No. 15 has been reduced from 3 cents a pound to 2 1 2 cents. Beyond No. 15 the old schedule advanced them by 1-5 cent a pound a number; in the new schedule they are advanced by 1-6 cent a pound a number. The reductions are slight, and in their bearing have little importance.

As concerns lumber, undressed lumber has been reduced from \$1.00 ed lumber, ranging on the old list ing in office men who are honest. from \$1.00 a thousand feet to \$3.5 ranges in the new list from 50 cents to \$2.50. On rough lumber the reduction is 50 per cent.

As is clearly apparent the Payne and simply protective in its nature, what the officers do, how much just as the Dingley bill is protective money they have, how much money As the Charlotte Opserver says in they spend, and in what way they the same editorial, "it is a readjust- spend it. Any efficer who is unwillment rather than a reduction."

PATRIOTISM AND LOYALTY.

Patriotism is the love of one's leeds are open and above board. Country and the devotion to its welfare and interests. It directly in- ditions in government are such as to volves one's loyalty to his Country's be a cloak for dishonesty, and tha dead heroes as well as faithful allegiance to her illustrious living, for extravagance and corruption, they these are they who wrought in the should rise up in their rights and de-Country's uplift, who are furthering mand that conditions be changed and promoting its interests.

country is what it should be, and no lesty in government is economy cannot remain long what it is, hence in government, as it undoubtedly is. the necessity for both. To inculcate the people should put those men in patriotism into the hearts and lives office who are honest, who will as of those around us, we must be pat- sure an economic administration. riotic, with that patriotism that shows itself in outward expressions. All sermons are good and powerful, but Kansas. Indian uprising in Oklahono sermon is so forceful, mighty and ma. Roosevelt in Africa. Cause lasting in its influence as is the ser- and effect. mon of a living example. If there is a cause to defend, an interest to The papers and the people in Ralpromote, a country to love, we eigh seem to be in dead earnest in should defend, promote and exhibit their efforts for better city governlove with deeds. Is there the birth ment. They are attacking all susof a patriot to celebrate, his deeds to picious objects with gloves off, and commemorate, then we should do so with the vim and determination that in beautiful and appropriate out- accomplishes results. Good for the ward expressions. Strew flowers on papers, good for the people. W. his grave, hold exercises in his honor, hope it will all redound to Raleigh's pause in the midst of the continuous good. grind of our labors to pay him leving tribute. Suspend our schools for a day. Let the children know, let the world know that there is a patriot dead, and a patriotic people to commemorate him. Your patriotism will be readers of THE COMMONWEALTH: strengthened and loyalty to your country's institutions will be intensi- was given in the auditorium of the fied, and your country will be carried Baptist University yesterday afterstill higher in its stage of development, for as the years come and go has completed the course of study your children and your children's prescribed for the dramatic school, children will grow stronger in their Since she has been at the University patriotism and more loyal in their she has been heard in a number of devotion.

True, such remarks as these are

HONEST ADMINISTRATION.

"Honesty is the best policy," and all other affairs, is the one and only policy to pursue, and if there is one by keeping the lights turned on the open pages of the government's books, be that government national, hand, nor, as a rule, do a profitable and laudable administration and closed books. "For every one that bould be reproved " Witness the andition of affairs in the Capita City. For many years under the presat administration the taxation has er increased annually at the ra f \$10,000 a year. No improvements ave been made, and Raleigh's interests have not been furthered. The News and Observer has charged that there is a discrepancy of \$1,700 between the fines imposed by the police justice and the amount turned over to the county treasurer by the Chief of Police. Records of Chief of Police Mullins have been destroyed, and as yet the guilty person has not been aught. In a word, affairs have reached such a state in that city that the papers and many of the citizens have waged a fight to oust the presenc ty officials on the ground of rank infitness, and all the time the books have been closed in the dark pig-on noles of the city's administra tion, until finally destroyed by

It is pleasing to know that Raleigh is waking up to its danger, and placnen who are capable, who have the interest of that city at heart. National, State, county, town, and all other officers of whatever nature are representatives of the people, tariff bill as it now stands is purely and the people have a right to know away. ng to render such information to those he represents should be turned out of office, and some one substituted in his place who is willing, whose

some one, who it is natural to sup-

pose secured the key to Chief Mul-

lins' room from one of the city offi-

ials who are the only persons who

have a key to the place.

Whenever people realize that conlishonesty in government leads to Give inment has been instituted by Without patriotism and loyalty to the people for the people, and if

Early day animals coming back to

Gave Racital at University.

The following clipping taken from the Raleigh Evening Times of March 27th will be of interest to many

The first of the graduating recitals noon by Miss Sallie Spruill Baker, of the School of Elocution. Miss Baker recitals and her talent as a reader .s

There was a large crowd present not especially called for at this par- yesterday afternoon to hear her inticular time, but it is good to remem- terpretation of Robert Browning's ber them now, better to remember beautiful little drama, "Pippa Passthem when a day comes reminding es." It was given with a good deal us of one that was born, who lived, ties were brought out by Miss Baker. of dramatic power and all its beauwrought and died, for his country's She received many congratulations on the success of her recital.

Corn! Corn! Corn!

Don't forget to plant a big corn in the affairs of government, as in crop this year. I believe it will pay you and be a good thing for the country. Try some well known kinds this year on rich land and make almost way that is better than all other enough on one stalk to feed a horse ways in which to assure honest ad- with one time. But of course I do ministration in government, it is not mean road team. Some kinds of corn has produced as much as twenty five barrels per acre on good land and what has been done may be done again. Some corn is extra for the state, county or municipal. Dark- table use as it comes a little earlier ness and honesty do not go hand in than many other kinds and at the same time it is also good for general use as it yields so well on good land Scotland Neck section needs a big corn crop this year. For it begins beth evil hateth the light, neither to look like that it will soon take cometh to the light, lest his deeds about all our farmer friends make to buy mules and feed for them. Car load after car load of feed stuff comes to Scotland Neck which should be raised at home, and let this money -tay in circulation here instead of sending it all away to Western markets to pay for feed bills. The quicker this is stopped the quicker the country will be in a better condition. A big corn crop will not only reduce the price of feeding road team but will also reduce the price of mules. J. D. RAY.

Mrs. J. W. Whitehead.

(Enfield Progress.) Another mother in Israel is gone. The spirit of Mrs. Louvenia Whitehead has passed over to await loved ones on the other shore. She was he wife of Mr J.W. Whitehead, and he mother of Messrs. A. L., J. D. and J. F. Whitehead, of Enfield, and W T. Whitehead, of Weldon, also me daughter, Mrs. S. L. Locke. These survive to mourn their loss Mrs. Butts, a grand daughter, reared by Mrs. Whitehead, and a numher of other grand-children grieve

for her. She has two living broth-

ers living, Messrs. A. A. and King Wnite, of Scotland Neck. She was about eighty years old, and a member of the Primitive Bapist church, having joined at Deep Creek t irty or more years ago. Since then she has been a faithful member, attending its meetings as long as she was able to go. She was levoted to her family, and they to ier. It is remarkable how dearly the children loved her' Theirs is a ore loss. It was so pathetic to see er aged companion, now very feeble,

o heart-broken as she was taken May God bless him and all the sad ones in this dark hour, and point them to Him whom she loved and followed. "On earth the broken circles. In heaven the perfect round ' She had lived cut the days allotted to ner in spite of the fact she had been a great sufferer for several years, and still it was hard to give her up. But on the other side the broken circle nay reunice, and there will be no nore good-byes over there. Let

is all look that way. The writer was assisted in the ourial service by Dr. D. B Zollicoffer, of Weldon, who came down to be present at the buri 1.

J. E. HOLDEN.

thristian Endeavor Union to Meet.

The annual convention of the North Carolina Christian Enleavor Union will be held this year in the First Presbyterian church of Winston-Salem, April 23 25. Every Christian Endeavor Society in North Carolina is urged to send as large a delegation of members as possible. Pastors of all denominations are cordially invited to attend. Rev. Francis E. Clark, D. D., President of the United Society of Christian Endeavor, and founder of the society will be present. "Christ and I" will be the central theme of the convention, and the importance of this companionhip will be emphasized at every ses-

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A certain tract of land, situate near Hobgood, in said county, adjoining B. F. Shelton, W. T. Jones R. H. Gatlin and others, and cortaining 80 acres, more or less; and being the identical land conveyed to Tallan Sherrod by Celia E. Hymar by deed recorded in Book 136 a page 282 of the Halifax Registry, t which deed reference is made for particular description. And being also described in following deeds: Patience Sherrod to B. F. Shelton. Book 192, page 477, and Mack Andews and wife, Lula Andrews to B. F. Shelton, Book 192, page 479, of

the said Registry. The said land is to be sold subject to the dower right of Patience Sherred, which dower right has been conveyed to B F. Sherrod.

This March 22nd, 1909. W. O. HOWARD. Commissioner.

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