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FRIDAY, MAY 29, 1903.

The Philadelphia, Pa., Press looks on the action of Mayor Weaver of that city, in reopening a contract that had been awarded by the previous administration, as revolutionary, but owing to the reason he gave: "that it had not been awarded to the lowest responsible bidder," extremely righteous.

We hear that a missionary in Raleigh has induced the merchants of that town to close their stores at six o'clock from June 1st, in order to give the clerks time for recreation.

We wish we had such a missionary here. The clerks we know would appreciate such a move; and the merchants would gain by it, as the clerks would be in a better state of health and, therefore, more capable of performing their duties towards the public and their employers.

THERE is a strong movement on foot to have Dr. Charles W. Dabney, President of the University of Tennessee, called to the presidency of the University of Virginia. Dr. Dabney is a native of Virginia; graduated at Hampden-Sidney College, attended the University of Virginia as a student, was elected to the chair of chemistry and mineralogy in Emory and Henry College, spent three years in Germany at Berlin and Goettingen receiving the degree of Ph. D. at the latter place; received the degree of L. L. D. from Davidson College, North Carolina, Yale University and John Hopkins University; has advanced the Tennessee University from a dead college to a college with a wide reputation for its work and wonderful growth. Dr. Dabney's work in North Carolina in establishing the Experimental Station and Agricultural College won praise from all who were interested in the growth of the educational interests of their section. His work in Washington during President Cleveland's administration was so successful that President McKinley by a special enactment sought to retain his services.

With such a record we feel it would be difficult to obtain a man more fitted to fill the responsible position of president of the University of Virginia.

CHARACTER.

The highest and most valuable possession on earth, incomparably above all the material riches and honors and pleasures of this dying world, is an unblemished character—a character of truth and righteousness—a character that loves and does the right because it is right and not for the applause or reward of men—a character that dares do right no matter what the world

may say or do. Such a character was gloriously exhibited in our Perfect Exemplar, the Lord Jesus Christ, and should be exhibited by all who profess to be His people and His followers. By His grace, and by that alone, can we have and manifest such a character. A high moral character is worth far more to a young man or woman than money, education or health, and far more than all the degrees and diplomas awarded to them at this season by all the schools, colleges and universities in the world. High character, the work of the Divine Spirit, is intrinsic and abiding—the sunshine of the heart and of the life; while these other possessions are intrinsic and transient—flickering and dying candles, leaving their possessor in darkness during the last and most solemn moments of his life. It is the evil tendency of this rapidly degenerating age to put intellect and money and office above character. Such a tendency is, not from God, but from Satan, the god of this world, the prince of darkness; and, unless it is divinely checked, it will soon plunge the human race into irretrievable ruin—into the avenging fires of the final, eternal, and righteous judgment of God. It is not the wise man but the fool, who says that there is no God and who lives a godless life, and dies a godless death, and is tormented forever in the everlasting fire prepared for the Devil and his angels.—The Gospel Messenger.

A Startling Test

To save a life, Dr. T. G. Merritt, of N. Mehoopany, Pa., made a startling test resulting in a wonderful cure. He writes, "a patient was attacked with violent hemorrhages, caused by ulceration of the stomach. I had often found Electric Bitters excellent for acute stomach and liver troubles so I prescribed them. The patient gained from the first, and has not had an attack in 14 months." Electric Bitters are positively guaranteed for Dyspepsia, Indigestion, Constipation and Kidney troubles. Try them. Only 50c. at all drug stores.

An Investment in Good Roads.

Mecklenburg county, in which Charlotte is the principal city, has long been held up as a model by advocates of road improvement. That county has for many years been laying excellent macadam roads that the makers believe will last for generations. A recent report of Superintendent of Roads, S. T. Howe, shows that 118 miles of these macadam roads have been constructed and are now in use. The saving to the farmer in transportation has been great, as he can send his produce to market in any kind of weather, his teams draw several times the loads they could over the old dirt roads, and there are so few breakdowns that the cost of repairs has been greatly reduced. Farm property along these roads has largely increased in value, and the farming sections are more prosperous.

The roads are made by convict labor, the county using the latest improved roadmaking machinery—crushers and rollers. Rock found near the road is utilized, and trained men superintend the work. Bonds were issued to pay for this work, and the cost has been considerable. But that it is regarded as a paying investment is shown by the fact that preparations are being made to macadamize more than 100 miles more, so that all the principal roads in the county may be joined in a complete system.

Any Church

parsonage, in titubant supported by voluntary contribution will be given a liberal quantity of the Longman & Martinez Pure Paints whenever they paint. NOTE: Have done so for twenty-seven years. Says: Tens of millions of gallons; painted nearly two million houses under guarantee to repaint if not satisfactory. The paint wears for periods up to eighteen years. Linsced Oil must be added to the paint (done in two minutes.) Actual cost then about \$1.25 a gallon. Samples free. Sold by our Agents. Feb. 1-7 m. —S. E. BIGGS

WASHINGTON LETTER.

By CHARLES A. EDWARDS.
 May 27, 1903.

The country, generally, will be glad to hear that Judge Alton B. Parker, of New York, is "a candidate" for the presidential nomination on the Democratic ticket.

The mysticism surrounding the Judge, his identity and his services are likely to be succeeded by a systematic effort to acquaint the country with all the features of the Judge's personality and policies that until now have been subjects of debate.

The Judge, according to a New York politician with whom I had a long talk the other day, and who does not desire his name used in connection with this interview, has declared that he will accept the nomination if former Senator David B. Hill is found unavailable. This revelation was made not more than eight days ago and my informant is not the only person to whom the "tip" has been given by word of mouth.

The Court of Appeals of the State of New York is presided over by Judge, who, by the way, was elected because the Low fusion ticket declined to endorse Platt's candidature for the Chief-Justiceship of the Court of Appeals. More than a hundred-thousand votes for Low were blank on the Judicial line. Thus, Judge Parker got a handsome plurality, not because of the votes he got but because his opponent did not receive 140,000 votes he ordinarily would have received. The Judge was a minority candidate.

But to return to the open candidacy. Judge Parker, who is a politician of a superior kind, wrote a little note to a Democratic leader of an eastern county of New York State, when that gentleman appeared as a lawyer before the Court of Appeals. The note read substantially as follows: "Do me the favor to stop in the anteroom of the Court when we adjourn."

The leader acceded to the request. The Judge appeared, clad in his judicial robe. He doffed the silken gown, hung it up in the wardrobe, greeted the leader warmly, opened a box of cigars, and began the conversation in the jolliest and friendliest way possible.

"What are they saying about politics up your way?" said the Judge.

The leader, flattered, exultant, yet surprised, made conventional reply.

As a result of a protracted talk, Judge Parker said: "Yes, I notice I have been suggested for the presidential nomination. But, of course, I could not think of accepting the nomination if it were at all possible for Senator Hill to get it. Hill is a great man. He can handle the great public questions to advantage. The presidency has been his life time's ambition. I could not think of stepping in to defeat that ambition. I owe him my political existence."

"But," continued the Judge, "should it appear that Senator Hill cannot be nominated, I think I might, with propriety, take the nomination."

This explanation relieves the situation. Former Senator Hill and Judge Parker are working hand in glove. Judge Parker will not step in between Hill and his life ambition, but if Hill cannot get it the Judge will take it. As the Judge truly says, there is no improbity in this. The fact that the Chief Judge of the Court of Appeals should, in the halls of the State's highest tribunal talk politics and his own ambitions, might cause surprise were it not known that prior to his elevation to the judiciary he was one of Hill's shrewdest lieutenants.

I am informed that Judge Parker has frankly stated his desires to other New York leaders, and in the same way. He has sent them notes by the court messenger, talked about politics in general, extolled Hill, explained he would not interfere with Hill's ambition, but if Hill were unavailable then the Judge would take it.

There is so much secrecy about the investigation of the Post Office scandal and such an air of mystery maintained by the department of officials that the newspapers and the public are justified in believing that the looting and mismanagement is even worse than it really may be. It is evident is the intention of the Postmaster General to suppress the

news about the progress of the investigation as a move to abate the public interest and moderate the consequences to the administration. There is a growing feeling here that a corrupt department cannot thoroughly investigate itself, and that the whole thing will have to be investigated by the Congress. And who is there who believes that a Republican Congress will honestly investigate a Republican department when every man hurt will be a Republican and the administration hurt will be a Republican administration. The only way to get at the bottom of these things is to elect a Democratic congress. It is up to the people.

The roasting that Governor Pennington and the Quay machine is getting from the Republican and Democratic newspapers alike, proves to the Pennsylvania bosses that it is impossible to muzzle the independent press by any libel law their ingenuity can invent or their partisan malice execute.

President Roosevelt is giving each one of the members of his cabinet a chance to show his prowess on the stump. The latest to be ordered to the front is Secretary Wilson. So far he has not ordered Mr. Payne out. It might be rather embarrassing for Mr. Payne to explain the rottenness in his department.

There are many politicians in Washington at present, and the so called "Iowa idea" is discussed by them with much interest. The "Iowa idea" is that the way to curb some of the trusts is to remove the tariff schedules that shelter them. The President and the standpatters hold that war on trusts must not include any changes of tariff. The difference is radical. Hence, the interest in the coming Iowa convention. It is understood that Governor Cummins, an enthusiastic boomer of the "Iowa idea," is to be re-nominated. This completes the situation. Will he take the nomination with a muzzle? Will he consent to a straddle? These are some of the interesting questions that both Democrats and Republicans are asking here to-day. All is not lovely in the Republican camp.

WANTED.

We would like to ask, through the columns of your paper, if there is any person who has used Greens August Flower for the cure of Indigestion, Dyspepsia and Liver Troubles that has not been cured—and we also mean their results, such as sour stomach, fermentation of food, habitual constiveness, nervous dyspepsia, headaches, despondent feelings, sleeplessness—in fact, any trouble connected with the stomach or liver? This medicine has been sold for many years in all civilized countries, and we wish to correspond with you and send you one of our books free of cost. If you never tried August Flower, try a 25 cent bottle first. We have never known of its failing. If so, something more serious is the matter with you. The 25 cent size has just been introduced this year. Regular size 75 cents. At all druggists. S. R. BIGGS, G. G. GREEN, Woodbury, N. J.

Programme of the Littleton Female College Commencement—May 24 to 28, 1903.

Sermon before Faculty and Students of the College, Sunday, May 24, 11:00 a. m., M. E. Church, South, Littleton, N. C.—Rev. H. A. Humble, Pastor.
 Conferences of Christian Teachers' and Workers' League, Monday, May 25, 8:30 p. m., Tuesday, May 26, 9:00 a. m.
 Annual Sermon, Wednesday, May 27, 11:00 a. m.—Bishop A. Coke Smith, M. E. Church, South.
 Art Exhibit, Wednesday, May 27.
 Class Day Exercises, Wednesday 8:30 p. m.
 Graduating Exercises, Thursday May 28, 10:00 a. m.
 Literary address, Thursday, 11:30 a. m.—Governor Charles B. Aycock, North Carolina.
 Recital by Music and Elocution Pupils, Thursday, 8:30 p. m.
 Graduating Class—Sarah Irma Royce, Lillian Byrd Campbell, Minnie Fee Dayenport, Mary Alice Green, Dora Alice Hornaday, Beatrice Aurora Jenkins, Sarah Katherine Lowder, Elizabeth Lytle, Lucie Thomas Webb, Mary Elizabeth Whitehead.

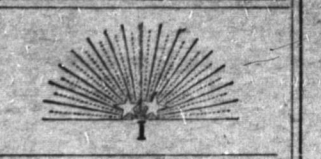
Fire at Plymouth.

Last Saturday night about 10:30 o'clock a fire broke out on the property of the Roanoke Railroad and Lumber Company. It is reported that a shed, two barges and lumber were damaged to nearly \$50,000.

A Fatal Accident.

Last Thursday there was a fatal accident on Mr. Justus Everett's farm, near Palmyra. A number of men were righting up some stables that had been partially blown down, placing new sills and making other repairs. The stables caved and fell, catching several persons under them. A colored man named Jim Mitchell was killed instantly. Mr. William's was badly crushed, Mr. Harrell was badly hurt and William Burnett's leg was broken.—Scotland Neck Commonwealth.

A Gooling Talk



Spring and Summer Clothing

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 ORPHAN ASYLUM—William H. Robertson, Sr., John H. Hutton, William M. York.

A Trip to Jamesville.

Last Monday when the freight train left Williamston the Editor was among the passengers bound for Jamesville. He arrived in due time, but was too sick to really enjoy the trip.

We found Jamesville to be a very quiet and inviting spot, but somehow the quietness of the place did not relieve the racking headache from which he was suffering.

Our first stop was at S. L. Wallace's store where we found our genial correspondent, W. W. Waters, who very kindly piloted us around and introduced us to the business men, this being our first visit to this town. The visit was enjoyed as well as could be under the circumstances.

Several new subscribers were added to the list and the trip was a financial success. The hospitality of the Kemp house was enjoyed for the night and we returned to Williamston on the passenger train Tuesday.

A Sure Thing

It is said that nothing is sure except death and taxes, but that is not altogether true. Dr. King's New Discovery for Consumption is a sure cure for all throat and lung troubles. Thousands can testify to that. Mrs. C. B. VanMetre, of Shepherdstown, W. Va., says: "I had a severe case of Bronchitis and for a year tried everything I heard of, but got no relief. One bottle of Dr. King's New Discovery then cured me absolutely." It is infallible for Croup, Whooping Cough, Grip, Pneumonia and Consumption. Try it. It's guaranteed by all druggists. Trial bottles free. Regular sizes 50c and \$1.00.

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 The Body to Serve Obedience
 makes one chummy with good sleep.
 Wouldn't believe it till I tried it, but "Force" is a cure for insomnia. I used to stay awake night after night. Now I get a beautiful night's sleep. I feel better, and sleep and I have gained good friends again. J. L. Evans.

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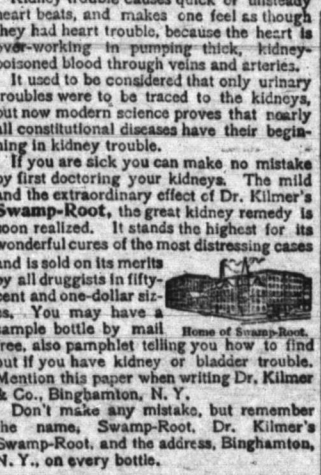
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 WILLIAMSTON, N. C.

Clock vs. Skirt.

A case was tried Monday afternoon before magistrate Ewell which involved the ownership of a clock then in the possession of Molly Anderson, and for which a warrant had been sworn out by John H. Tucker to obtain possession of the clock said to be in Mrs. Sarah Anderson's possession. After hearing both sides of the case Mr. Ewell decided that the clock should remain in the hands of Molly Anderson, who claimed that she had paid for it by selling a skirt to Mrs. J. H. Tucker.

Over-Work Weakens Your Kidneys.

Unhealthy Kidneys Make Impure Blood.
 All the blood in your body passes through your kidneys once every three minutes. The kidneys are your blood purifiers. They filter out the waste or impurities in the blood. If they are sick or out of order, they fail to do their work. Pains, aches and rheumatism come from excess of uric acid in the blood, due to neglected kidney trouble. Kidney trouble causes quick or uneasy heart beats, and makes one feel as though they had heart trouble, because the heart is over-working in pumping thick, kidney-poisoned blood through veins and arteries. It used to be considered that only urinary troubles were to be traced to the kidneys, but now modern science proves that nearly all constitutional diseases have their beginning in kidney trouble. If you are sick you can make no mistake by first doctoring your kidneys. The mild and extraordinary effect of Dr. Kilmer's Swamp-Root, the great kidney remedy is soon realized. It stands the highest for its wonderful cures of the most distressing cases and is sold on its merits by all druggists in fifty-cent and one-dollar sizes. You may have a sample bottle by mail. Name of Swamp-Root, free, also pamphlet telling you how to find out if you have kidney or bladder trouble. Mention this paper when writing Dr. Kilmer & Co., Binghamton, N. Y. Don't make any mistake, but remember the name, Swamp-Root, Dr. Kilmer's Swamp-Root, and the address, Binghamton, N. Y., on every bottle.



By order of the Board of Graded School Trustees, of Williamston.
 This May 14th, 1903.
 W. C. MANNING,
 Secretary.

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For other points in Eastern Carolina see "Central" where a phone will be found for use of non-subscribers.