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BRYAN ACCEPTS: HERE TUESDAY

Will Address Public in Academy of Music

MESSAGE RECEIVED FROM HIM TODAY

Will Arrive in Raleigh Over S. A. L. at 3:30 Tuesday Afternoon From Rich- mond Many Prominent People Coming From a Distance

—The Present Pro- gram Auditorium A Necessity.

New York, Feb. 8.
Invitation accepted. Will speak
in Raleigh next Tuesday night.

W. J. BRYAN.

The above telegram was received this
morning shortly before noon, by State
Chairman F. M. Simmons and National
Committeeman Josephus Daniels.

The people of Raleigh, irrespective of
politics, will be delighted to hear that
Col. William J. Bryan will visit Ral-
eigh. He spoke here during the cam-
paign of 1896 in Nash Square. He was
greeted by a tremendous crowd. Two
presidential candidates have spoken in
Raleigh—Henry Clay and William Jen-
nings Bryan.

The nomination of Col. Bryan as the
Democratic Presidential candidate is
now admitted by all and hence his visit
to Raleigh is most significant at this
time.

At present the plan is for Col. Bryan
to speak in the Academy of Music. This
will not be sufficient to accommodate the
people, but again the sad fact is brought
to mind that Raleigh is sadly in need
of an auditorium.

Committeeman Daniels and Chairman
Simmons are now making arrangements
for the occasion.

Col. Bryan, as will be seen from the
telegram to Mr. Simmons and Mr. Dan-
iels, is today in New York. He will leave
New York today or tomorrow en route
South and on Monday evening will ad-
dress the General Assembly of Virginia,
in session at Richmond.

The programme mapped out thus far
is that Col. Bryan will leave Richmond
on Tuesday morning, coming to Raleigh,
Line and arriving in Raleigh in the af-
ternoon about 3:30 o'clock.

He will then be taken about by car
for a short drive and later will be in
conference with a number of Democratic
friends in this city and probably a
number of others who are expected to
come to Raleigh for the occasion. It
is understood that a number of the mem-
bers of the State Democratic Executive
Committee will be in Raleigh to hear
Col. Bryan, several of whom having al-
ready signified their intention to come
if Col. Bryan accepted the invitation.

Over the telephone today a message
from Durham stated that a party would
come down from that city. It was stated
that if Col. Bryan was to address the
public in any building that would prom-
ise even standing room to the crowd a
special train from Durham could be got-
ten up and an immense delegation
brought down for the occasion. The
Durhamite took the opportunity to sug-
gest that an auditorium would be of
great good in Raleigh and that just such
occasions as this keep away people from
other sections of the State as they know
beforehand that there is not the slightest
hope of accommodating the great crowd
that will be present.

CONVENTION POSTPONED.

Old Maids Will Hear Col. Bryan.
The Reception Committee of the Old
Maids' Convention held a conference this
morning and wired the delegates from
Utah and other seaport towns that the
convention is postponed on account of
Col. W. J. Bryan's engagement here. The
delegates to the convention need not ar-
rive in Raleigh therefore until Thurs-
day morning.

CLEAR TOMORROW

For Raleigh and vicinity: Rain to-
night and Friday morning, clearing and
much colder by Friday night.
A very severe storm is central this
morning over the lower Lake region,
with the barometer down to 29.20 inches
at Chicago. The most remarkable con-
trast in weather conditions that could
well be imagined exist between Chicago
and Bismarck. At Chicago the wind
is from the south, with rain and a tem-
perature of 62 degrees at 8 a. m., while
at Bismarck clear weather with north-
west winds prevail, and the temperature
is 24 degrees below zero, a range of 86
degrees between the two cities. Warm,
cloudy or rainy weather prevails through-
out the east and south. The cold wave
in the northwest appears to be the most
severe of the present season, but such
a large mass of warm air covers the
central and southern sections of the
country that it can only prevail to a
modified extent in this region.

Mr. Charles Pool says work was re-
sumed today on the North Carolina
Home Insurance Company's building.

Mr. Edgar Broughton has been con-
fined to his bed with severe tonsillitis for
the past two weeks, but we are glad
to say is convalescing and hopes to be
out in a day or two.

Remember that the Old Maids' Con-
vention has been postponed until Thurs-
day night of next week on account of
Col. W. J. Bryan's appearance here on
Tuesday evening.

TAYLOR REFUSES TO SIGN TREATY

His Advisors Name Conditions for Signature

MODIFICATION IS DEMANDED FIRST

Legislature to Repeal Goebel Election Law, House and Senate Meet Sepa- rately, and Grant Specified Concessions to get Sig- nature.

Frankfort, Ky., Feb. 8.—There is no
probability of Governor Taylor signing
the peace agreement today. Many be-
lieve that he will not sign it at all, at
least not till radical changes have been
made in the document.

CONDITIONS FOR SIGNATURE.

Frankfort, Feb. 8.—The following
statement is made public:
Governor Taylor has not signed the
Louisville peace agreement nor will he
do so if it now stands, nor will any
action be taken today.

This was determined upon at a confer-
ence that lasted until two o'clock this
morning, when all of Governor Taylor's
legal advisers were present.

Judge Yost made a vigorous protest
against signing the peace treaty and said
that if the Governor signed the agree-
ment should be of his own making and
provide for the convening of the Legis-
lature at once and that the legislature
repeal the Goebel election law and pass
a fair substitute; first, the settlement of
contests by a vote of the House and
Senate in separate sessions, and settle-
ment of minor contests by a fair trial before
the election commission. Republican in-
cumbents being allowed to take any legal
steps that are proper.

REPUBLICANS FOR TAYLOR.

London, Ky., Feb. 8.—Not hearing
anything from Frankfort as to the result
of last night's conference the Republi-
can members of the House met today
and passed resolutions expressing confi-
dence in Governor Taylor and pledging
their united, earnest, loyal and enthu-
siastic support and urging him to stand
firm. They are letting an appeal to
all Kentuckians go forth that they will
never compromise with dishonor, nor
yield an iota in this battle for civil lib-
erty and the rights of the people as ex-
pressed at the polls in November. Chair-
man Slack, of the Republican House
caucus, said this morning that he rather
leaned towards a compromise, but de-
clared that the Democrats seemed to
want all the best of it, and he was now
in for a fight to the finish. He said:
"The fight will have to come sooner
or later. It had as well be commenced
now so it can be got through with."
Members here are equally obdurate.
Much indignation was expressed here
over the fact that Lieutenant Governor
Marshall signed the Louisville agree-
ment.

MEETING AT LONDON.

London, Ky., Feb. 8.—It was an-
nounced this morning that the proceed-
ings of the legislature today would vary
from the perfunctory sessions of the
past two days; that the Senate would
convene the executive session at noon.
It is rumored that some action regard-
ing bringing in absentees will be taken
in both houses. Members would not de-
ny this nor confirm it.

ROSS CASE STILL PENDING.

A reporter inquired at the Governor's
office today regarding the Reuben Ross
case. Private Secretary Cade says that
the case is still pending before Governor
Russell and no conclusion has been
announced.

This afternoon when Gov. Russell
went to his dinner he remarked to Private
Secretary Cade that he had not yet
decided the Ross case, but the probab-
ilities are that the sentence will not be
interfered with.

AN AWFUL BLIZZARD.

Chicago, Feb. 8.—There is a blizzard
of large proportions in Nebraska, and
there is great danger for the live stock.
Snow is falling and is being driven by
heavy gales. The temperature has drop-
ped from forty two degrees in six
hours. It is reported 12 below zero at
Bismarck, 18 below at Williston and
24 below at Prince Albert, B. C.

MARRIAGE AT WAKE FOREST.

This afternoon at one o'clock at the
home of the bride's parents, Mr. and
Mrs. John M. Brewer, the marriage of
Miss Mary A. Brewer to Mr. John H.
Gore Jr., of Wilmington, was solemn-
ized by Rev. J. W. Lynch. The attend-
ants were Miss Bruce Brewer and Mr.
Claude Gore, Miss Gore and Mr. John
Brewer and Miss Jennie Joyner, of
Franklin, and Mr. Charles Morton,
of Wilmington.

Mr. and Mrs. Gore passed through
Raleigh on this afternoon's S. A. L.
train.

Mr. Gore is a prominent young attorney
of Wilmington and Miss Brewer has
relatives and many friends in Raleigh.

Quita a number from Raleigh went to
Wake Forest to witness the marriage.

MR. R. G. PEARSON.

Mr. R. G. Pearson, the evangelist, is
now holding a great meeting in Char-
lotte. He will visit High Point and be-
gin holding special services there March
4th. Quite a number of persons in
Raleigh have expressed a desire that
Mr. Pearson be invited to visit Raleigh
and conduct a union meeting here. He
held a most successful meeting here in
1897.

DREW GUN ON A POLICEMAN

Officer Conrad Shot at Will Johnson

HAD A WARRANT FOR THE NEGRO

He is a Famous Character in Raleigh— Has Played the Grabber Act Then Pretended to be Crazy

Officer Robert Conrad about eight
o'clock last night shot at a negro, com-
monly known as "Snaggy," while trying
to arrest him in the open lot facing
the Foyde houses, between McDowell
and Dawson streets. The negro first
drew his pistol on Officer Conrad where-
upon the latter fired on him. The negro
stumbled but the officer does not think
that he hit him, as the offender escaped.
He has not been found today.

For several days the police have been
looking for a tall mulatto man, appar-
ently about 33 years old; he goes by the
name of "Snaggy" here because his
front teeth are mostly missing. His real
name is thought to be William Johnson,
but he has half a dozen aliases.

Officer Conrad had a warrant for his
arrest, charging him with the larceny
of ladies' dress goods. The negro has
been selling ladies' dresses, made of the
light of jute and this has excited sus-
picion. Officer Conrad was in the fourth
ward looking for his man last evening
when "Snaggy" passed him. The officer
thought he was going in a woman's
house nearby and waited for him to go
in so as to catch him there, since he did
not recognize the negro until he had
passed. But "Snaggy" did not go into
the house, so the officer started after
him and the negro ran and made his es-
cape. "Snaggy" thought that Officer
Conrad had gone, so he started to come
back to the same place he had just left.

On the way he remarked to a man that
he encountered the officer he intended
to "turn him." Officer Conrad met the
negro as he was crossing the vacant lot.
When "Snaggy" saw the officer he
whipped out his pistol, but Mr. Conrad
was too quick for him and before he
could level it the officer's gun was point-
ed at him. "Snaggy" then ran and
Officer Conrad, after calling to him,
fired at him. He pursued the negro,
but he escaped.

This negro has a very bad reputation
in Raleigh. Last year he was arrested
for frightening ladies on the street
at night by grabbing them. He pretended
at the time that he was crazy. He
said that his wife had gone off and left
him for her. He came to The Times-
Visitor office at that time and wanted
to insert an advertisement for his wife,
whom, he said, was "lost, strayed or
stolen." He placed special emphasis on
the "strayed," however. About the
same time he went to a colored woman's
house near the Raleigh Electric Com-
pany's plant and frightened her nearly
to death by declaring that she was his
wife and she must go home with him.
Her husband appeared on the scene in
time to rescue her.

NAVAL ACADEMY.

William B. Ferguson, Jr., of North
Carolina, stands second in the class
which will graduate at the United
States Naval Academy next June. Hol-
lis T. Winston, of North Carolina,
stands 18th.

Among the high standing members of
the graduating class at the Annapolis
Naval Academy are Hollis T. Winston,
North Carolina; Loveman Nott, Tennes-
see; Sanford Doyle, South Carolina;
Hayne Ellis, Georgia; Robert Abernathy,
Tennessee; William R. Riddle, Tennes-
see; and Luke E. Wright, Jr., Tennessee.
These Southerners are named in order
of their standing.

STRONG SENTIMENT FAVORABLE TO MR. MCBRANE.

Mr. James H. Poy has just returned
from a trip to Nash and adjacent coun-
ties. In conversation with a Times-
Visitor reporter, speaking of the re-
port published in this paper yesterday
that Superintendent C. H. McBrane would
support the pending constitutional
amendment, Mr. Poy said: "While I
was at Nashville and other places I
heard a number of gentlemen voluntar-
ily state that they thought Mr. McBrane
should be re-nominated for the sake of
the common schools of North Carolina.
This sentiment favorable to Mr. McBrane
appears to be widespread in the State."

DEDICATION TO-DAY.

Today the dedicatory exercises at the
Pekford Sanitarium at Southern Pines
was held. The third building completed,
to be known as the Hubbard cottage, was
dedicated. It is the gift of a New Eng-
land lady, and is for the cure and treat-
ment of consumptive negro women. No-
tice of the building is a great sufferers
of consumptives are great sufferers in
consequence of poverty and a want of
proper food and medicines and proper
nursing care. Several prominent gentle-
men are expected to make speeches,
among them Richard H. Battle, Esq.,
and Robert M. Furman, editor of The
Morning Post. Dr. L. A. Seruges, col-
orist, is the general manager of the san-
itarium.

STREAMBOAT LINE.

Jessie J. Lassiter, Ellen Lassiter,
Nicholas W. Jones and Emma Jones to-
day filed articles of agreement with Sec-
retary of State for the incorporation of
the Independent Steamboat Line of
Newbern, Craven county. The capital
stock is \$5,000.

JARDINIERS.

A new lot at W. E.
Hughes.

Keystone Egg Busters at Hughes.

IN MEMORIAM

A Friend's Tribute to the Late Mrs. W. N. H. Smith

Yesterday, after the quiet and solemn
services at the Presbyterian church, as
the day was fading into night, and
while the "low-hung clouds" were weep-
ing large rain-drops on the grave, we
laid to rest in Oakwood Cemetery the
frail body of Mrs. W. N. H. Smith,
"Asleep in Jesus." With heavy heart
we turned from the flower-covered mound
—and there came to some of us these
thoughts of comfort and peace:

1. This is the end, not only of all pain,
but also of all doubt and fear. The
timid spirit, trembling in its swaying
earthly tabernacle these long years, has
found at last exultant release. The faith
given to God in early womanhood and
maintained with self-trusting trust of
the hem of Christ's garment, is at last
triumphant. With a quivering joy,
thrilling because it so surprises, the re-
deemed from all fear can sing: "I am
satisfied; I wake up in Thy likeness."

2. This is the beginning of the gra-
cious and everlasting reward of a most
useful Christian life. In large measure,
it may be written of her who sleeps in
her flower-covered bed: "She hath done
what she could." From the chamber
of illness her active mind went forth
to all the great enterprises of God's
Kingdom, with comprehensive sympathy
and support. Out of her weakness came
strength to uphold every noble work of
her church. She sustained her pastor
with unflinching sympathy; liberally
contributed to build the church which she
never entered; visited the poor and re-
sponded to calls of distress, but con-
stantly urging her minister to tell her
of suffering which she might relieve.
Through all this she gave to others more
joy than she kept for herself. Like her
Master, she knew the cup of sorrow.
But now the gracious and full reward
has come. This life's incompleteness
has been lost in oblivion and she who
has been one with her Savior in suffering
is now partaker of His glory. God's
child finds all of time's bewildering dis-
parities made more than even by Etern-
ity's "exceeding great reward." It shall
come true, not here, perhaps, but the
more surely hereafter: "Your labor shall
not be in vain in the Lord."

3. If death hath brought this ending
of the beginning, then earthly life's
noblest mission hath been fulfilled. With-
in how few words may be outlined of
even so long a life as hers be com-
pressed! The birth, nearly eighty years
ago; the happy marriage when girlhood
had hardly ceased to stand listening for
the coming step of womanhood; the cul-
tured and yet dependent wifehood, proud
to put reliance upon manhood so dis-
tinguished, strong and true; the moth-
erhood awakened into yearning and un-
dying tenderness; the obverse of sorrow,
the stream of being running on through all
these varied experiences often has depths
but partially and imperfectly known to
itself. The hidden and profound life of
the soul may flow on toward God and
Heaven despite the surface agitations of
a turbulent spirit in sympathy with a
frail mortal body. Enough for us if,
when the world is receding, the deep
current of immortal being shall sweep
into the tranquility and peace of God's
ocean of love.

Sustained by this faith, we turned
away from the grave that rainy after-
noon, and we seemed to hear angel
singing: "Thanks be unto God which giv-
eth us the victory through our Lord
Jesus Christ."

JOY TURNED INTO SORROW

Marriage of Mr. Poole and Miss San-
derford, at Auburn, postponed
until tomorrow.

James E. Lee, ticket agent at the
Southern depot, intended to attend the
marriage of Mr. Ed Poole and Miss
Sallie Sanderford, at Auburn, this after-
noon, but went down to attend a funeral
instead.

David Sanderford, a young man, who
is a brother of the intended bride, died
Tuesday afternoon at 3 o'clock at Ken-
ny, of pneumonia. The young man was
a student at school there.

Deceased intended to go to Auburn
last night to attend his sister's marriage,
but the same train he expected to come
on brought his corpse instead.

Just before leaving for Auburn this
morning, Mr. Lee received a message
stating that the marriage had been post-
poned until Thursday, on account of
young Sanderford's death.

The funeral services took place this
afternoon at 2 o'clock, after which the
remains were laid to rest in the family
burying ground, two miles from Auburn.

R. Kelly, of this city, who is an uncle
of the deceased, received a message tell-
ing of Mr. Sanderford's death and went
down to attend the funeral.—Durham
Sun of Yesterday.

ANNUAL MEETING.

The annual meeting of the stockhold-
ers of the North Carolina Home Fire
Insurance Company was held here yes-
terday. An excellent showing was made
for the year. The fire losses have been
relatively small in North Carolina dur-
ing the past year and extremely small
in this city. Mr. Pulaski Cowper was
re-elected president of the company. Mr.
Alex Webb, vice president and Mr. Chas.
Root secretary.

TOMORROW NIGHT.

A great treat is promised on Friday
night next at the Academy of Music by
the members of the International Oper-
atic Company. Each act of grand opera
will be given in elegant and appropriate
costumes. The acts of the opera will
be sung in English and costumed mag-
nificently. No money has been spared
to place the company before the Ameri-
can and English public in a proper and
dignified manner. The sale of seats is
now in progress at Bobbitt-Wynne Drug
Store and a large number of seats have
already been taken.

Marion Harland Coffee Pots at Hughes

BOERS RETREAT; GATACRE FOLLOWS

Caught Boers in Trick and Forced Them Back

BRITISH LOSSES, HOWEVER, HEAVY

Buller Reports 233 Casualties—British Secure Position at Vaal Krans Ridge —British Cavalry Pursuing the Retreating Native Troops.

Sterksfontein, Feb. 8.—The Boer attack
on yesterday on Per-Hook proved to be
only a feint. The main attack develop-
ed later and was directed against this
place. The Boers with three guns shell-
ed the British position, and started to
advance. General Gatacre at once rushed
reinforcements to the front. The Boers
retreated with the British cavalry
pursuing. For once the British were
on the alert and prevented trick of the
Boers.

BRITISH INFANTRY ADVANCES.

Spearman's Camp, Wednesday Night.
—The British position at Vaal Krans
ridge has been made secure. The in-
fantry advanced today all along the ridge,
driving the Boers before them. Vaal
Krans ridge forms a continuation from
Brankfontein range, and is several miles
east of Potgieter's drift. Over half of
the Boer troops were natives. The en-
emy held on to their position until the
British forces reached the top of the
kopje, when they fled.

London, Feb. 8.—General Lord Buller
has telegraphed the War Office that he
approximates the British casualties in
the fighting at Potgieter's drift until
Tuesday at noon at 233 dead, wounded
and missing.

BULLER CLINCHES POSITION.

Spearman's Camp, Feb. 8.—Buller has
clinched his position north of Tugela
river. He has mounted heavy guns and
the infantry is now intrenched to sup-
port them. It will be extremely diffi-
cult for the Boers to dislodge him.

BATTLE IN PROGRESS.

London, Feb. 8.—Boer accounts own
a small loss in their own admission.
Desperate fighting at Vaal Krans is con-
sidered ridiculous. It is generally be-
lieved that the battle was renewed to-
day and is going on fiercely.

LOCAL NOTES.

Items of Interest Caught on the Fly of Familiar Faces.

Miss Annie Walk, of Rockingham, is
spending today in Raleigh.

Miss Mary Bryan, who has been visit-
ing in Philadelphia has returned home.

Remember the meeting of the Raleigh
Bar tomorrow afternoon at 3:30 o'clock.

Miss Mary Bryan, who has been the
guest of friends in Baltimore, is at home
again.

A call meeting of W. R. Womble, Hook
and Ladder Co, tonight at 7:30. By or-
der of Foreman, F. K. Mabry, secretary.

Miss Lulu Hawkins, who has been the
charming guest of Miss Eliza Byles,
left today for her home in Ridgeway,
accompanied by her friend, Miss Bus-
bee, who will visit her.

Mr. Josephus Daniels, editor of the
News and Observer, lectures before the
students of the Agricultural and Me-
chanical College tonight at 7 o'clock, his
subject being "Imperialism."

Haywood's Band was at Wilmington
last night to furnish the music at a ger-
man given by the L'Ariosa and L'Agile
German Clubs of that city. The band
is expected back in Raleigh this after-
noon.

To see "The Little Hussar" will cost
only 50 cents, 25 cents and 25 cents.
With these prices and such an object
and such a troupe, there should be a
crowded house on February 16th, at Met-
ropolitan Hall.

A cry of distress was heard last night
a few minutes after 8 o'clock on North
McDowell street, just below the Blind
Institution. A negro woman cried out
that a man was killing her child. It
is said that the man broke the child's arm
and "skipped out."

The rehearsals for "Fisherman's
Luck" have been most successful. The
members of the company have displayed
wonderful talent and are well suited to
their parts. The ladies of the Minister-
ing Circle are greatly pleased with the
progress that is being made.

Mr. S. A. Schloss, who was at one
time connected with the Academy of
Music as manager, and for a number of
years manager of the opera house at
Wilmington, has organized a company
of trained musicians and the company is
to travel throughout the State, giving
concerts in all of the larger cities.

Neighborhood parties are being organ-
ized in several sections of the city to at-
tend the performance to be given by the
International Grand Opera Company on
Friday evening. It is a good idea and
will be a means of assisting many to
hear this grand music, who otherwise
would remain at home for lack of es-
cort.

The International Grand Opera Com-
pany which is to appear here on Friday
evening rendered their programme be-
fore a crowded house in Wilmington
last night. The Wilmington papers
speak in the highest terms of the per-
formance and of the singing of the Misses
Carroll and others in the company. It
is apparent that the performance on
Friday evening will be all that Raleigh
people could desire.

MERCHANTS TO BUY

Fayetteville Street Man Uni- tionally Suggests Plan

THE MARKET MUST STAND

The Merchants Wish to Buy the Market and Make on the Investment Be- sides by Location of Stores Near the Present Site.

The Times-Visitor received in the mail
last night a letter dated February 7th,
1900, and postmarked "Raleigh, 3:30 p.
m., which, as will be seen, purports to be
from a Fayetteville street merchant,
though it has with it no name that will
give clue to the author.

The letter is as follows:
"Editors Times-Visitor: Your paper
has printed cards from citizens favoring
the sale of the present market house
site and from citizens opposing the sale,
and I think, has been fair in giving
equal prominence to the exponents of the
two sides.

"I am opposed to the sale of the present
market house and always will be. I
am a merchant doing business on Fayette-
ville street and I will be as long as I
live. Before the market house can be
sold to others for any use except as a
market house, I will join with my fel-
low citizens who are each personally in-
terested in the sale as much as I am, and,
acting under a suggestion made by one of
my friends, a fellow merchant, we will
purchase the market with our own
money, lend it, and make money by the
investment of as high a price as \$70,000,
besides reaping the same benefit from
position of the market that we have in
years past.

"There are those who will be so criti-
cal as to say that this is undue selfish-
ness. This is business and I propose to
look after my own interests before I be-
gin looking after the interests of the
city or of any other individual.

"Say what you please about me, or
about my fellow merchants, you outsiders
who favor the sale, we will remain
firm and to argument however convinc-
ing that the sale will be for the good of
the city will turn me from my present
views, one of which is that 'self preser-
vation is the first law of nature.'"

"No one blames my friend, Sherwood
Higgs, from fighting to the end the or-
dinance to take down his electric sign.
For the reason that it is an attraction
and draws business to his store. For the
reason that the market house is an at-
traction and draws business to my store
and to the stores of my fellow merchants
in this section of the city, we oppose
the removal of the market house and the
erection of any building of any descrip-
tion other than a market house on that
site.

"If the people of Raleigh don't like
the position we take let them have an
election to settle the matter and we will
see that the market continues to do busi-
ness at the same stand if it costs every
cent we make in a year to carry the elec-
tion."

"I would like to see an auditorium
erected and when called on will be
among those to subscribe \$100 or \$50,
more or less, as I see fit, and depending
wholly upon my judgment as to whether
every cent of the amount will come
back to me in business. Yours truly,
SIGNED: "MERCHANTMAN."

A GREAT SUCCESS

Herrmann and Solart Won Hearts of Last Night's Audience.

Louis Herrmann The Great appeared
at the Academy of Music last night and
to hear him three-fourths of the lower
floor was well filled and the gallery was
so crowded that Manager Rivers was
forced to turn away a large number who
sought admission above.

The performance was all that could
be expected and mystified the audience
completely. Herrmann's magic de-or,
giving a series of original experiments
in pure legdom surpassed anything
heretofore seen in Raleigh in digital dex-
terity. His palm work was marvellous
and the amusing scene where the ducks
are brought from a tub of water, the