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SPECIAL NOTICES

WE ARE SELLING papers now for 10 cents per roll that a few years ago cost 25 to 10 cents. WHEELER WALL PAPER CO.

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WILL you want anything in my line to-day? If so do not forget me. I will try to please. PENNY, City Bakery.

I HAVE IN STORE THE FINEST brands of Cigars ever found in the city. Amangansett is the Mecca for coffee, the best in the world. G. S. BALL.

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PEGRAM, the Haberdasher, is closing out his straw hats at $1 each. You can see the hats on rack in centre of store. 10 South Tryon Street.

FOR SALE. The pews, glazed window sash and blinds of the First Presbyterian church of Charlotte. To be delivered in 30 days. R. M. MILLER, Ch'm Building Committee. tf

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This stock must be cleared out.

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E. B. SPRINGS, Assignee.

THE ALABAMA SITUATION.

Two Other Dead Bodies Found—Troops on the Spot and in Reserve—A Great Indignation Meeting.

BIRMINGHAM, Ala., July 17.—The situation to-day is not noticeable for quietude. The additional feature to the casualty at Slope No. 3 was the finding this morning of the dead bodies of a Frenchman and a negro. The former was one of the attacking force, the latter a miner.

No other wounded have been reported. Last night companies of the First and Second Regiments, Alabama State Troops, were ordered here by Governor Jones and to-night are in camp and on special details. Fifty men are at each of the six slopes and mines of the Tennessee Coal and Iron Company, with one hundred and fifty in reserve in camp at Slope No. 4 with Gatlings. All railroad shops in the city are guarded to night by detachments of soldiers, as is the union depot, with a heavy reserve in camp. Sixty-two arrests within the past fifteen hours have been made and these persons are now in jail. No firing or other incendiary acts have been committed so far since the attack at Slope No. 3.

A tremendous indignation meeting of the citizens was held to-day at which all representative citizens were present. A committee of 25 was appointed on public safety here to-night. Captain S. D. Weakley reported to the Governor that he was ready with 150 men subject to his call. Governor Jones was endorsed for his promptness in placing troops. The Governor has suggested to Judge S. E. Greaves, of the Criminal Court, the necessity of calling an early session of the court and impanelling the grand jury on account of the arrests.

DEATH OF A MINISTER.

Rev. J. L. Currie, of Burlington, Died Yesterday Morning.

Special to the Observer.

BURLINGTON, July 17.—Rev. Jas. L. Currie, pastor of the Presbyterian church at this place, died at his home in this city this morning at 10 o'clock of fever. He had been confined to his bed only ten days. A few were prepared for the shock. Mr. Currie became pastor of the church in the winter of 1889, and has done excellent work since, having built a splendid brick church, and the membership has been greatly increased. The remains will be interred at the cemetery to-morrow.

Court is still in session at Graham, trying to clean up an accumulated civil docket.

Fine rains have fallen here this week, greatly benefiting the growing crops.

The work of the 300 foot addition to Alamance Cotton Mills are going rapidly ahead.

The sentiment here seems strongly in favor of the public execution of Robert Matkins, at Raleigh, August 10th.

Mr. Sam'l L. Adams, the BEE HIVE'S traveling man, added several new subscribers to the list last Saturday, and three same subscribers were surprised at receiving their paper Sunday morning.

ENJOY BLACK IN GREENSBORO.

He is Attending a Meeting for the Re-Organization of the Greensboro Steel and Iron Company.

Special to the Observer.

GREENSBORO, July 17.—Mrs. D. D. Gregory, wife of a well known citizen of this county, died at her home a few miles north of here this morning after an illness of several weeks.

The Receivership of the Cape Fear & Yadkin Valley Railroad will come up before Judge Simonton at Wilkesboro to-day. F. H. Busbee, ex-Governor of Porto Rico, has been in the city a couple days attending a meeting of the reorganizers of the North Carolina Steel and Iron Company. Your correspondent learns that the reorganization work is progressing to-day without a hitch, and everything is moving along smoothly. Governor Black will address a meeting of the Greensboro Industrial and Immigration Association to-night.

Mr. A. A. Arthur, of Tennessee, is here.

Erroneously Thought Himself a Murderer, and Committed Suicide.

COLUMBUS, Ga., July 17.—Near Knight's Station, on the Alabama side of the Chattahoochee river, opposite this city, a tragedy occurred this afternoon. Charles Isom, whose property had been attached by Robert E. Cutler, a grocer, for a debt, went to Cutler's store in great anger. After several abusive words, Isom drew a pistol and fired at Cutler three times. Under the impression that he had killed Cutler, he fled from the store, pursued by the police. On reaching his home he turned on the policeman, with this remark: "I've killed Cutler, now here goes." He then placed the muzzle of the pistol in his mouth and fired, blowing the top of his head off. Cutler was unhurt, as the pistol was not discharged—only the caps snapped. Isom was about 22 years of age and married.

The Vigilant was defeated again by the Brittannia Monday at Bangor, Ireland, actual time 1 minute and 30 seconds. Corrected time not given.

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Pegram, the Haberdasher, is closing out his hats at $1 each. Go see the hats.

W. S. Alexander will sell or exchange for city property, 25 acres near Sugar Creek church.

Wheeler Wall Paper Company is selling paper at 10 cents per roll that a few years ago cost them 25 cents per roll.

Cheaper than patches are the boys' suits that Rogers & Co. are selling this week. All wool boys' suits at less than original cost.

At the east entrance of Belle's establishment several counters have been arranged and loaded with goods, all marked in plain figures.

The principle of the Bee Hive is to buy cheap and sell on small profits, so that all of their goods are way under market value.

Select your lot and pay your rent money to E. D. Latta, and he will build you a house. Ponder upon this subject.

Capt. W. T. R. Bell will return to North Carolina and resume charge of the Rutherford Military Institute.

Have you examined Long, Tate & Co.'s clothing. Wouldn't you like to have something a little better than you have had if it did not cost you any more.

If you want anything in the bakery line, go to Fasnacht's.

BASEBALL YESTERDAY.

NATIONAL LEAGUE.

At Cincinnati:

Cincinnati	0	1	1	1	0	0	0	0	0	3
Cleveland	1	4	0	2	0	2	0	7	0	16

Base hits—Cincinnati, 5; Cleveland, 20. Errors—Cincinnati, 8; Cleveland, 2. Batteries—Griffin, Cuppy and O'Connor; Cross and Murphy.

At St. Louis:

St. Louis	0	1	1	0	1	1	0	0	0	4
Pittsburg	0	0	1	0	0	0	1	3	0	5

Base hits—St. Louis, 10; Pittsburg, 10. Errors—St. Louis, 3; Pittsburg, 6. Batteries—Ehret and Mack; Mason, Peitz and Twineham.

At Chicago:

Chicago	0	0	0	2	3	0	3	0	0	8
Louisville	1	0	1	0	0	0	3	0	0	5

Base hits—Chicago, 13; Louisville, 16. Errors—Chicago, 2; Louisville, 5. Batteries—Knell and Weaver; Stratton and Schriver.

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Take your choice or have both.

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The Retail Druggists.

DEBS IS BEHIND BARS

HE AND OTHERS IN CONTEMPT.

THEY REFUSE TO GIVE MORE BAIL.

Adjudged in Contempt of Court Because They Had Violated the Injunction Restraining Them from Interference With the Transmission of Mails and With Inter-State Commerce—The Evidence in the Case—The Arguments Before Judge Seamans at Chicago Yesterday. Counsel Said It Was Personal Recognizance or Jail, and the Court Said Jail.

CHICAGO, July 17.—The report that additional proceedings were likely to be taken by the Federal authorities against President Debs and his associate officers of the American Railway Union had the effect of bringing a big crowd to the United States Circuit Court room in the government building this morning. Judge Seamans, of Milwaukee, presided in the absence of Judge Grosscup. Debs was present at the opening of the court, accompanied by W. W. Erwin, the criminal lawyer of St. Paul; W. A. Shoemaker, of St. Paul, Erwin's law associate, and S. S. Gregory, of this city, who was the leading counsel of Prendergast in the lunatic proceedings that followed the assassin's conviction, was he been retained as special counsel for the Union. As soon as a few minor cases had been disposed of, Gregory stepped to the bar, announced the presence of Debs and inquired whether the hearing was to go on to-day. Judge Seamans replied that the case would proceed as soon as District Attorney Milchrist was ready. At 11 o'clock the district attorney, accompanied by Edwin Walker, special counsel for the government, and George R. Peck, special counsel for the Santa Fe road, appeared in the court room, and Judge Seamans ordered that the case on hearing be summarily postponed, remarks for to Mr. Walker: "The situation is such that your matter should be taken path once."

Special Counsel Walker then opened the proceedings proper with a brief statement. He said that he was desirous of presenting to the court an information against certain people on behalf of the United States government and to ask that an attachment be issued for the persons named therein. In addition, another information was offered in behalf of the Atchison, Topeka & Santa Fe road, this road being in the hands of United States officers. The information was in behalf of the government, he said, set forth that on July 23 Judges Wood and Grosscup issued an injunction restraining Debs and his associates from interfering with inter-State commerce or with the transportation of United States mails, or from exercising terror or violence against railroad employes engaged in that work. Personal service of this injunction was made on the defendants concerned, but in spite of it they continued to call out men, and order strikes on lines within the city of Chicago and the district adjacent to and within the jurisdiction of the court. This had continued daily, and it might be said hourly, and the government desired such action and such punishment as the court might see fit.

The lengthy information was then read by District Attorney Milchrist. It sets forth the facts already scheduled and quoted scores of telegrams sent by Debs after the injunction had been issued. These have never been published and had evidently come into the possession of the government within a few hours under circumstances that the counsel would not explain. Scores were addressed to Phelan, the Cincinnati organizer just detected for contempt by Judge Taft; others to C. McAuliffe, at Milwaukee, others to Livingston, Montana; others to employes of the Chicago, Burlington & Quincy, Chicago & Eastern Illinois, Big Four and Santa Fe railroads. All urge the men to go out and stay out. One dispatch read: "It will take more than injunctions to move trains. Get men out." This was addressed to W. F. Smith, Grand Junction, Colorado. Many other dispatches were of the same tenor. One said: "Do not be frightened by troops, injunctions or the militia. Call your men out. This is a contest of plutocracy against the masses and we will win and protect our supporters."

The court interfered at this point with the suggestion that it did not want to hear any more dispatches. Enough had been read to indicate a persistent violation of the injunction. Then the district attorney proceeded to read a resume of the loss of property occasioned by the mob during the past two weeks, of assaults upon engineers, firemen and others who continued at work, and of interruptions of traffic that had occurred since the injunction had gone into effect. President Debs listened with close attention. The reading of the information occupied over one hour and with its conclusion the district attorney contended that the defendants were clearly in contempt and should be attached and punished.

Then General Counsel Peck, of the Santa Fe road, stepped to the bar and read another long information charging the defendants with interference with the operations of that road and likewise asking for a contempt attachment.

The court asked the defendants if they were represented by counsel and Gregory responded. He said that Debs was in court voluntarily, although it was understood that it would be an ex parte examination. The government did not deem it best to charge either of the four defendants with personally participating in the violence, nor had a case been stated that was cognizable in a rule of equity. With considerable heat Gregory said that he did not understand that the government's information was for the protection of the railroads or that the movement was to be used as an agency to vindicate the property rights of railroads. That seemed to be what Peck wanted but it would be very unfortunate if any action of the court gave color to that claim. The entire country was concerned in this matter, and it must be kept free of bias.

Walker responded that the government did not propose to protect railroad property except so far as inter-State commerce and the mails were concerned.

To this the judge added: "We are not here for any other purpose."

Continuing Walker said that the government represented all the people, the defendants included, and it would lend its authority to the protection of railroad property within the lines indicated. Finally the court cut the discussion short by ordering the issuance of attachments for contempt against Debs, Howard, Keliher and Rogers, but instructed the United States marshal to waive service on the understanding that the defendants would voluntarily surrender at the bar of the court at 2 o'clock this afternoon.

When the court met at 2 o'clock, Howard, Keliher and Rogers were present but President Debs was not on hand. His name was called and there being no response it was decided to stay proceedings until he put in an appearance. The attorneys were beginning to get a trifle impatient when at 2:20 Debs came into court panting for breath. Then Attorney Erwin asked the indulgence of five minutes for consultation and the court acquiesced. After this the presence of the defendants was announced to the bench. Attorney Erwin exploded a bombshell by stating that if the defendants were compelled to give bail on the charge of contempt they would go to jail, for the bail already demanded on the indictment found in the district court had exhausted their ability in that direction. Unless the court accepted their own recognizances, then it was a matter of jail and nothing else. Erwin made an impassioned speech, saying that at the proper time, the indictment would be demurred to and the issue would be raised whether the unchecked operations of capitalistic tyranny could introduce the methods of a British monarchy. These men had never committed any act of violence. The conscience of the court was being whipped to resort to extreme and unjustifiable methods.

Judge Seamans set the trial of the contempt cases for Monday morning at 10 o'clock. He fixed the additional bail at $3,000 each and ordered the four men held in custody of the United States marshal until the sureties had been approved. At 3:15 p. m., after a conference with their attorneys, Debs announced for himself and the three other defendants that they would go to jail and refuse to give additional bail on the ground that their bondsmen in the other cases had been so bitterly attacked by the press that they felt a great deal of hesitancy in asking any more citizens to go additional bail for them.

A score or more of friends clustered around them, urging them to reconsider the determination. One of the number said that he was worth half a million dollars and would go bail for the entire quartette. Others offered to become individual surety for the several defendants. Debs, however, was obdurate, and in his determination he was supported by his associates. In the meantime, the orders of committment were made out by the clerk of the court. Marshal Arnold had been summoned, and with him, he brought Deputies J. W. Forsythe and G. H. Jones. A final effort was made to induce the defendants to accept the offers of their friends, but without result. At half past 4 Marshal Arnold escorted them to an open carriage in which they were driven to the county jail on North Side. Arnold sat with the arrested men while the two deputies shared seats with the driver. On their arrival at the jail the prisoners were courteously received by Jailor Morris and Jail Clerk White. The marshal did the introductory honors and the prisoners shook hands cordially with their new custodian. At the demand of the turnkeys they held up their hands and submitted to a search. They were deprived of all valuables and then led to spacious and roomy cells in the debtors' department. President Debs and Vice President Howard were assigned to No. 5, and Rogers and Keliher to No. 6. It was arranged with the jail officials that meals should be served from a neighboring restaurant, and the prisoners were then left alone for the night.

Strikers Meet to Ascertain the Lay of the Land—Infamous Conduct for Them.

CHICAGO, July 17.—A largely attended meeting of railroad strikers was held in Uhlich's Hall to day to hear the reports of the committees selected to report the status of the strike on the roads they formerly worked for. Some of the reports were not as indicative of success as the leaders expected. A former Nickel Plate employee reported that more than half the strikers had returned to work. The majority of the strikers are now switchmen, trackmen and shop-workers. A committee of Illinois Central strikers from Harvey said an order to return to work but permission was refused. Vice President Howard made a speech in which he claimed that four-fifths of the switchmen, trackmen and shopmen were still out; 40 per cent. of the engineers and 25 per cent. of the firemen. He declared that the roads were operating 90 per cent. of the passenger trains and 25 per cent. of freight. He closed by saying: "Mr. Rogers and I have got to go into court now, and it is possible that we may have to go to jail. We can even be kept there, though a writ of habeas corpus may liberate us. The way to end this thing is for every workingman in Chicago to drop his tools, complying with the law, however."

Brutal Attacks of Strikers on Workers.

FORT WAYNE, Ind., July 17.—The new men employed on the Fort Wayne railroads, in the yards and as trainmen, are hourly subjected to most brutal assaults from discharged men. Last night Arthur Baldwin, a Nickel Plate switchman, was found in the yard insensible. Three other switchmen and a call boy were violently stoned. This morning Conductor Mulcahy, of the Pennsylvania, was knocked down by a large rock and kicked in the face. Three switchmen in the Pennsylvania yards were clubbed and relieved of lanterns. The south bound Nickel Plate and Wabash passenger trains were stoned. Christian Hess, the only rioter arrested, fired two shots at Captain Borgman, of the city police, before he surrendered.

Tiers-Up Tied Up.

NEW ORLEANS, July 17.—Labor Agitators Hurley, Harrison and Sperry were to-day committed for trial before the United States Circuit Court by United States Commissioner Wright. The accused were placed under $500 bond each and personal recognizance. The commissioner said: "I have no doubt as to the connection of the accused with the conspiracy. Hurley had said that if he had twenty minutes more he would have tied up every road in the city, but, thank God, he had not those twenty minutes and instead of the roads being tied up, he is tied up himself."

The Northern Pacific Again Open for Passenger Business.

ST. PAUL, Minn., July 17.—The first Northern Pacific train from the coast for eighteen days arrived to day. It left Portland on June 25th. Besides 300 passengers, it brought back the two companies of regulars from Fort Snelling who went out with the first west-bound train ten days ago. The Northern Pacific line was declared in operation to-day throughout its entire length for all passenger traffic. The freight business of the road has to a great extent been resumed.

Mill Notes.

Mr. W. T. Lowe, of the Albion Mill, Mt. Holly, spent yesterday with Charlotte mill men. The Mt. Holly mills, Mr. Lowe says, are doing first rate. They have plenty of orders, but the price is not calculated to make their heads swim.

The mills at Fort Mill, S. C., are running on full time and considering the turmoil of the times, are doing well.

Law Dots.

F. H. Whitaker, Esq., one of Monroe's leading lawyers, was here yesterday between trains. He was on his way home from Alamance court.

Lawyers' Row was unusually quiet yesterday. Lawyers Maxwell, Keerans, Harris and Cansler were away, and the other members of the bar were taking life easy.

Thompson Orphanage Guild.

Each member of the Guild is earnestly requested to attend a meeting at the residence of Miss Shipp, 801 North Tryon street, at 6 o'clock this evening. Business of great importance is before the Guild.

Mr. Jack Dillion, of Forsyth, aged about 60, was found dead in the woods Sunday afternoon.

SALE OF THE RALEIGH NEWS.

MR. J. N. HOLDING BUYS FOR HIMSELF

The Sale Said Not to Have Been Negotiated for Edwards & Broughton—Raleighites Gone to Canada—Valuation of Railroad Property.

Special to the Observer.

RALEIGH, July 17.—This morning on the vestibule train on the Seaboard Air Line 55 persons passed here on their way to Canada on that road's personally conducted excursion. Quite a party left here, including Rev. Drs. M. M. Marshall and Bennett Smedes, ex-Mayor and Mrs. Alf A. Thompson and Mr. Charles E. Johnson.

The State board of medical examiners met at Morehead City to-day. Dr. W. H. Whitehead is president; Dr. L. J. Picot, secretary.

Two convicts arrived at the penitentiary to-day, one from Warren, the other from Orange, the latter being a female.

Your correspondent was in error, it seems, in intimating that Mr. J. N. Holding purchased the News and Observer for Edwards & Broughton. He made the purchase for himself, it is now stated. The newspaper owed him $2,800 for paper furnished by the Falls of Neuse Mills, of which he is the president. The sale has to be confirmed within ten days. If his bid of $6,810 is raised within that period, there will have to be a resale.

Raleigh District M. E. Conference begins at Oxford to-morrow.

There is much talk about and interest in the Jarvis-Ransom contest for the senatorship. There is also much talk about the senatorial primaries, and opinion as to their propriety and merit appears quite divided.

The railroad commission to-day completed the statements which show the valuation of railroad property in the various counties. Here are the valuations in three important counties: New Hanover: Carolina Central, $26,773; Wilmington, Newbern & Norfolk, $60,042; Wilmington & Weldon, $151,935; Wilmington Seacoast, $31,440; Cape Fear & Yadkin Valley, $58,752; Wilmington Bridge Company, $78,854; New Hanover Transit Company, $7,795.

Mecklenburg: Charlotte, Columbia & Augusta, $163,719; Carolina Central, $164,669; Atlantic, Tennessee & Ohio, $133,445; Atlanta & Charlotte Air Line, $155,934; North Carolina Railroad not yet known.

Wake: Durham & Northern, $4,442; Raleigh & Gaston, $333,549; Raleigh & Augusta Air Line, $159,002; interest of Southern Railway in Union depot at Raleigh, $10,000.

A Democrat who has just returned from a trip to South Carolina says he feels sure that Tillman will overwhelmingly defeat Butler. He also thinks that life in the Senate will have a civilizing and refining influence on Tillman and be of real benefit to him and his State.

At the Agricultural Experiment Station some interesting experiments with cattle, as to digestion, are in progress, these being made by Profs. Kilgore and Emery. The dairy at the farm is a fine one.

Mention was made yesterday of the burning of 50 bales of cotton. The fire occurred at Clayton.

It is said that thus far the present season no less than 40 people have been killed by lightning in this State.

PRETTIEST FIGHT IN THE STATE.

Yadkin for Henderson and Armfield; Montgomery for Henderson and Long—The Two Latter Will Be Nominated.

Special to the Observer.

STATESVILLE, July 17.—Yadkin county Democratic convention was held Saturday and news received from there last night shows that the county has gone largely for Henderson for Congress and Armfield for judge. Henderson will receive 18 of the 21 votes of the county and Armfield 20 and a fraction. As Yadkin is Judge Armfield's old home it was expected to go for him almost solidly and the news so far as he is concerned was no surprise. But Turner's friends has confidently claimed the county for him while Henderson's friends had not claimed it. The news, therefore, that Henderson had carried it almost solidly was an agreeable surprise to his friends in Iredell and a very disagreeable surprise to the friends of Turner.

Montgomery county primaries were held Saturday, and private advices received here to-day indicate that Montgomery has gone almost solidly for Long for judge and Henderson for Congress. Nine townships, including the largest in the county, are practically solid for Long.

Long's friends here have all the time conceded Iredell and Yadkin counties to Judge Armfield, and claimed the other five counties in the district for Long. Results so far indicate the correctness of this claim. In fact, Judge Armfield's friends here concede Long's nomination. There is no shadow of a doubt about it.

Henderson, too, is nominated on the first ballot. All the false claims of other candidates cannot change the result.

Yadkin will vote for one of its own county men, D. M. Reece, for solicitor.

Salisbury Cotton Mills Declare a Dividend—S. H. Wiley, Jr., Made a Director.

Special to the Observer.

SALISBURY, July 17.—The board of directors of the Salisbury Cotton Mills met in the Davis & Wiley Bank this morning and elected Mr. S. H. Wiley, Jr., a director in place of the late S. H. Wiley. Rev. F. J. Murdock was elected president, and Mr. O. D. Davis secretary and treasurer and a member of the executive committee. The tribute of respect to the memory of Mr. S. H. Wiley adopted by the directors of the bank was unanimously adopted and ordered entered on the minutes of the bank and notice of the action sent to Mr. Wiley's family. A dividend of 2 per cent. was declared payable on demand.

Capt. T. F. Haughton left last night on a trip to Boston, Mass.

Editor J. R. Wichard and family and Mr. M. C. Quinn and little son, Phifer, left last night for Ocracoke, on a pleasure tour.

Miss Annie Abernethy, of Rutherford College, passed through here to-night en route to Burlington to visit her sister.

Miss Tinsley, of Richmond, Va., arrived to night to visit Miss Ruth Klutz.

A Politician Turned Preacher.

JACKSONVILLE, Fla., July 17.—Hon. E. M. Hammond, a prominent lawyer and politician of Orlando, has been converted and will enter the ministry of the Methodist Episcopal Church, South. Mr. Hammond was a member of the Florida Senate during the Call fight and achieved notoriety by leading the anti-Call Senators from Tallahassee over into Georgia in order to break a quorum and evade the sergeant-at-arms. A revival meeting is in progress in Orlando and Mr. Hammond is preaching nightly with powerful effect.

Takes Them Back Under a Cast-Iron Pledge.

SAN FRANCISCO, Cal., July 17.—A cast-iron pledge is required by the Southern Pacific Railway Company from every striker who desires to re-enter its service. Each applicant for re-engagement is required to sign a promise that he will sever his connection with the American Railway Union; that he will not join any labor organization during his employment by the company, and that he will not become a member of any brotherhood or union for five years.

FUNERAL OF JAMES W. RUMPLE.

It is Now Believed That His Death Was Caused by a Stroke of Lightning.

Special to the Observer.

SALISBURY, July 17.—The last solemn respects were paid to the memory of James W. Rumple to day, and his mortal remains were consigned to their final resting place.

A sadder funeral was never seen in Salisbury. Nature seemed in sympathy with the grief-stricken to-day, and all during the sorrowful morning tears fell from the clouds in unison with those that were in the hearts of many who mourned.

In spite of the inclemency of the weather, a very large congregation assembled in the beautiful Presbyterian church to participate in the last solemn ceremonies. Everybody knew Jim Rumple and he was a general favorite. The funeral was held at 9:30 o'clock, and was conducted by Rev. Dr. C. M. Payne, of Concord, assisted by Rev. Dr. Leith, the pastor of the Methodist church. As has already been stated, Mr. Rumple's wife had arrived in Salisbury Saturday from Newbern, and his father has been here ever since the death of Col. S. H. Wiley a very short while ago, having been summoned from Blowing Rock at the time. Mrs. Dr. Rumple arrived from Blowing Rock last night. Other relatives here were Rev. C. G. Vardell, of Newbern, and his mother, Mrs. W. G. Vardell; Mr. Jesse R. Wharton, of Greensboro, and Rev. T. A. Wharton, of Steel Creek. Mrs. C. G. Vardell, sister of the deceased, who is at Blowing Rock, could not be present.

The casket, covered with wreaths of beautiful summer flowers, was borne into the church by the following pall bearers: Messrs. Leo S. Overman, O. D. Davis, W. J. Blackmer, A. B. Helig and M. S. Brown, of Salisbury; John C. Wheat, Port Republic, Va.; David Schenck, Jr., of Greensboro, and H. A. Banks, of Charlotte.

After prayer by Dr. Leith, the choir sang the favorite hymn of the deceased, Newman's "Lead, Kindly Light." Dr. Payne read appropriate passages of Scripture, following the reading with some exquisitely beautiful and touching remarks. The congregation was affected to tears, and as one of the members of the church afterward remarked, no one could have so spoken who had not had some great sorrow in his own life. The speaker, among other things, said that the deceased was a child of the covenant, and a member of the Church.

"Abide with me" and "My faith looks up to Thee" were sung by the choir, and then the services were concluded at the grave-side. A pathetic sight that will not soon be forgotten by those present was the venerable father of the departed standing in the falling rain watching intently as his beloved son was laid away, while his arm rested upon the headstone of the grave of his eldest son, Watson Rumple, whose death a few years ago was also the result of an accident, upon the athletic field at Davidson College.

CAUSE OF MR. RUMPLE'S DEATH.

The theory now accepted regarding Mr. Rumple's death is that it was caused by lightning. He was not in swimming as at first surmised. He went fishing Saturday afternoon. As he did not return to his hotel in Shendun at supper time his supper was set aside for him, as he was accustomed to stay out very late during his hunting and fishing expeditions. Not returning by 10 o'clock some anxiety was felt for him, although it was then presumed by his friends that he had stopped with some of his friends near Port Republic, perhaps at Mr. John C. Wheat's where he sometimes did stop at such times. However, early Sunday morning search was instituted and his body was found without much difficulty in about twelve or fifteen feet of water at the joining of the two forks of the river that form the Shenandoah at Port Republic. Mr. John C. Wheat, who accompanied the remains to Salisbury, says that he was found by means of his fishing rod, the point of which was sticking out of the water. When the body was recovered the right hand was still tightly clutching the rod. He had on his rubber boots and was probably fishing out in the river when he met his death.

Hardly any water was found by the physicians who examined the body in the lungs. In deaths caused solely by drowning the lungs are always suffused with water. Therefore it is believed that Mr. Rumple was dead when he fell into the water. There were no marks of violence on the body save slight abrasions on the bridge and tip of the nose. The right hand was slightly blistered and greatly swollen, while it was spasmodically clutched where it had held the rod. A severe thunder storm had taken place Saturday afternoon late.

Again, by a slight effort a person in the water where the body was found could easily and quickly get to shallow water on either side of him, and Mr. Rumple was an expert swimmer. All indications point to death by a stroke of lightning.

Mr. Rumple had an accident policy on his life for $25,000, besides $5,000 life insurance.

A YOUNG WOMAN'S SUICIDE.

Dallas Dillingham, Miss Calloway's Assaulter on Trial—Chairman Eaves in Marion.

Special to the Observer.

MARION, July 17.—Mrs. Denton, wife of Elbert Denton, of Dysartville, in this county, committed suicide by hanging herself in her husband's barn last night. Mrs. Denton was a daughter of the late William Tate, and was a young woman of exemplary character and excellent family connections. No cause, so far, has been assigned for the unfortunate occurrence. Mrs. Denton leaves a husband, two small children and a large circle of relatives and friends to mourn her untimely death.

Dallas Dillingham, charged with a criminal assault on Miss Calloway, is being tried to-day at Old Fort before a justice's court. He is being ably represented by counsel from this place.

Justice A. C. Avery, of the State Supreme Court, was in Marion Saturday shaking hands with his many friends. Judge Avery will be pushed by his many admirers for the United States Senate to succeed the late Senator Vance.

Judge John Gray Bynum, accompanied by Mrs. Bynum and her sister, Mrs. Jones, spent a night in town recently on their return from Roan Mountain where they had been outing during the past two weeks.

John B. Eaves, Esq., chairman of the State Republican executive committee, was in town yesterday consulting with the faithful, and arranging for his fight against Populist coalition.

Wm. Neal, son of our ex-Sheriff J. G. Neal, has gone to Washington to accept a clerkship in the War Department.

Miss Julian left for her home in Salisbury yesterday.

The Speaker Thinks the Conference Will Agree on the Tariff Bill.

ATLANTA, July 17.—Speaker Crisp passed through Atlanta to-day on his way to Washington. His son, who has been desperately ill, is improving, but the Speaker may again return home in a few days. Speaking of the conference on the tariff bill the Speaker said: "I am sure that the whole matter will be settled in a satisfactory manner. It is very important just at this time that the business should have the careful consideration of every member, and that is why I am going back to Washington."

BURKE'S ENTHUSIASTIC DEMOCRACY

Endorse Avery for Senator, Bower for the House, Tate for Treasurer, Bynum for Judge, Newland for Solicitor and Abernethy for the State Senate.

Special to the Observer.

MORGANTON, July 17.—The largest and most enthusiastic convention that has been held in Burke county for many years assembled in the court house to day and was called to order by W. C. Ervin, Esq., chairman of the Democratic executive committee of this county, at 12 o'clock. Mr. J. H. Hoffman was made chairman, and M. Silver, M. N. Hennessee and J. A. Lackey were elected secretaries. Every township was represented by enthusiastic, working Democrats.

Delegates were appointed to the State, congressional, judicial and senatorial conventions.

Resolutions were adopted instructing the delegates to the State convention to vote for Hon. S. McD. Tate for State Treasurer.

Resolutions were adopted approving the course of Hon. W. H. Bower, our Representative in Congress, and instructing the delegates to vote for his re-nomination.

The delegates to the judicial convention were instructed to vote for Hon. John Gray Bynum for judge, and for W. C. Newland, Esq., for solicitor of this district.

The delegates to the senatorial convention were instructed to vote for W. E. Abernetey, Esq., as one of the Senators from this district, composed of Burke, Caldwell, McDowell, Mitchell and Yancey counties.

The following resolution was offered and adopted by acclamation:

"Whereas, The unwritten law of North Carolina accords one of the two United States senatorships to the territory west of the center of the State, now, therefore, be it by this convention

"Resolved, That we present to the consideration of the Democrats of North Carolina for the western senatorship the name of our distinguished townsman, Alphonso C. Avery, whose character, learning and intimate familiarity with the political and economic conditions of the State and nation eminently qualify him for the position, and whose long and efficient party services make it eminently proper that the State should honor him with the senatorship."

Speeches were made by C. F. McKesson, W. S. Pearson, W. C. Ervin, Calvin Houk, J. E. Erwin, L. S. Cannon, W. R. Aikea and W. E. Abernethy, and the convention adjourned.

The Democracy of Burke is very much alive and at work, and the outlook for a big majority is very bright just now.

The judicial convention of this district meets in Lenoir August 22d and much interest is felt here in it because of the fact that Judge Bynum, who is immensely popular in this county, is a candidate to succeed himself, and a strong effort is being made to defeat him for the nomination. However, his friends express no uneasiness and say that he will be nominated easily. Burke, McDowell and Caldwell are for him; Catawba is for him second choice, and Mitchell and Yancey give him half their votes.

HAVE THE POPS CAPTURED HIM?

Mr. Denson Looking Out Strictly for No. 1.

BIRMINGHAM, Ala., July 17.—A good deal of excitement of a quiet kind has been aroused in political circles here in Alabama by the coming home of Congressman Denson, of the seventh district. The Kolb leaders have been setting up claims to him, and the Democrats have been uneasy. He disappointed both in his opening speech at Cullman by ignoring State politics altogether, defending his record as purely and soundly Democratic and endorsing Governor Jones' efforts to preserve law and order. In short, Col. Denson is here canvassing his district in his own interest and emphatically "toting his own skillet." He went only far enough on general party lines to urge the people to stand by the Democrats. The whole State is watching his course with great interest.

A Democratic Chairman Says He's Gone—It Looks Like It.

MONTGOMERY, Ala., July 17.—Congressman W. H. Denson, of the seventh district, spoke at Cullman yesterday and a report from the chairman of the Democratic executive committee of that county to the Advertiser to-day says that Denson has gone over to the Populist party. He distinctly announced that he would not say anything on State politics and did not espouse the cause of the Democratic State ticket, though the election is only three weeks off. Denson was also asked to deny publicly the statement from the national Populist committee that he had agreed to make speeches for that party, but refused to do so. Privately he