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Ward 4. J D McCall, John R. MONDAY, APRIL 12, 1897

not approve the new toll-gate law, and have been burning or otherwise destroying the gates. Having gotten the consent of their minds to this method of regulating things, they have, in Garrard county, gone a step further and have sent a warning to a miller, threattain price for flour. It is readily recalled that here, in North Carolina, led against it, and tore down and burned the fences. It is, by the way, the best law that has been enacted in this State since the war, and everybody now concedes it. But our folks have never got to the point of setting man-

The Observer printed with pleasure, a few days ago, a paragraph from the Statesville Landmark, which said went in a strong Cleveland man. There is a case of this kind once in a while. The tide has turned against the Old Man and the majority of those who have gotten their living within the past four years on the erecting of modern, artistic homes at a moderate cost, by Walter J. Keith, of Minneapolis, Minn. This souri and Tennessee. Taking the entire region, the colored population outnumbered the whites in the proportion plans and water color drawings of the on the strength of commissions bearing the Journal. This will make a new adhis signature, have turned with it and gone back on The Sheriff. It is not so much that they have turned their coats, but right here in North Carolina as elsewhere, they are found leading defamatory of those who assail him. spicuous and honorable exception. It does not need that he should have

pleasure in presenting its readers an variety of attractions and novelties. A extra copy of the paper to-day. It has complete programme will be announced in its service from cellar to root, and at a later date from front door to back, the best lot of people in the world, and they responded Baltimore Water Color Club and one them for extra work. It will be a satisfaction to the public to read the story of yesterday's collision along with which goes a good deal of news of a miscellaneous sort and we afford it miscellaneous sort, and we afford it this satisfaction in a Monday issue the more readily because of a lucking notion that the people of this town and State have a right, anyhow, to have a daily paper-a thing they have never yet had-and because of the further otion that it is the Observer's business to supply this need.

One of the most interesting senatorial fights this year is that in Florida, where it is, as it has been before the field against the Hon. Wilkinson Call. He has come up to the Senate the past two terms, through many tribulations. He is the dullest man in the body, and no Senator for twenty-five years, not even Mr. Peffer, has fatigued it as much with long and uninteresting speeches upon subjects which nobody cares anything about; but in his own State he is a politician from 'Way Back and has never falled to bring confusion upon his enemy. Somehow or other, there is no explaining how, we find ourselves hoping that he will whip them again. He is an honest old fellow, at least, and that should go for something.

Hope is held out that New Jersey, for so long a time a well behaved Democratic State, is coming back repentant. It is intimated that the turnover process may begin as soon as to-morrow, when elections in many of the important New Jersey towns will be held. The Republicans do not conceal their fears. The extravagant management of town affairs by the Republicans and the action of the Legislature in trying to extend the terms of office holders who fear to go before the pub lic and ask for its votes, has caused an uprising. Jersey City and Newark, after four years of Republicanism are believed to be almost sure to repudiate it next Tuesday.

North Carolina has a true singer in Henry Jerome Stockard, and the an-nouncement that his poems will soon be published in book form is gratifying to his friends and admirers. Some of the most notable sonnets that have ap-neared in the Century Magazine were

peared in the Century Magazine were from his pen.—Atlanta Constitution. This is a just tribute. Mr. Stockard has written some sonnets of rare beauty, and the enjoy a rarer distinction, among sonnets, that they can be under-

ever saw in the columns of a news-paper—it is from the Philadelphia Rec-

public is drained by extravagance and corruption it must be filled by oppres-sion and crime." The enormous growth of expenditure from \$595,597,8 by the sion and crime." The enormous growth of expenditure from \$595,597,8 by the Forty-fourth Congress to \$1,943,437,618 by the Fifty-fourth Congress has its natural sequel in the lawless attempt of the Secretary of the Treasury to enforce the oppressive retroactive clause of a bill that has not been passed for the collection of taxes that are not due.

The quotation in the first sentence is vholly apt, and no man, living or dead, ever compressed more meat into an equal number of words than is found in the second sentence of the paragraph given. The name of the man who wrote it ought to be known-his ame deserves to live. Somebody blundered." Certainly this

is true, otherwise there would have been no collision yesterday. Yet a hasty judgment is always apt to be an inexact judgment. It were well, there fore, that the public should not jump to quick conclusion as to where the responsibility rests, but await the result of the investigations which will be in stituted. It were as well to be just also, to the railroad company, in the seantime. This collision will cost i housands of dollars, and its officers lid not authorize the accident nor its ervants allow it wantonly.

The dispatches have told, within the past few days, of the arrest in Nev York of the mysterious "Man in Gray," who recently terrorized that city. We Frock Man," who gave the colored folk of Charlotte such a lively time about

EXPOSITION PREPARATIONS.

The Outlook Very Encouraging-Natura Science, Art and Educational Depart ments to be Fully Represented.

The break in the walls of the expe sition building, caused by the incessan rainfall a week ago, has proven, in stead of a serious hindrance, a bless-ing in disguise. The building commit-tee, in no way baffled by this balk, reloubled their efforts, and now th walls have assumed the proportions of a building well under headway. Those who have seen the plans have expressthemselves as delighted with them will be a handsome, substantial affair, much better in appearance than The educational exhibits will be see

nd to none, as large support has al-eady been given from publishers, chools and colleges. Edwin E. Howell the Natural Science Establishment Wushington collector of specimens for the use of schools and colleges, and manufacturer of relief maps, will send a large display, among which will be a map in relief of the United States five and a half feet in diameter, which con tains, besides the usual features, th correct curvature of a country which covers so large an area of surface. The Prang Educational Company will make extensive exhibts. Their reputation as publishers is known to nearly every ne. It is the desire of the committee to demonstrate the educational facili-ities of the Carolinas as completely as possible. It is hoped that the public schools of the States will have credit-able exhibits of their work. The movement is most worthy, and all teachers should direct their best efforts, as well as those of their pupils toward this end. datory prices upon products or mer- The method of making the exhibits will be left to the preference of the individchandise. Kentucky is entitled to the ual institutions. Applications for exhibit space should be made at once, des-ignating the amount of square feet of space desired. No charges will be made for such exhibits.

The Ladies' Home Journal had in the issues of March and April, this year, some delightful designs and articles on the erecting of modern, artistic dition to the art department, and one of great interest to many. Other ar-chitects from various cities will exhibit plans, etc.

A collection of folk relics and curios between Missouri and Tennessee. These of the Waldensans will be found in the farms have a total area of about 3,800, museum, and doubtless will prove very 000 acres, one half of which is in Mis interesting.

Music is always a strong feature in an affair of such magnitude. The exposervices of the Old North State Concert Hand, under the direction of Dr. Chas. A Turner, has been kindly of-sixty-five millions of deliars, and here, give an evening of delightful mustal.

The entertainment committee is wide awake and is vigorously working up a

promptly and gladly last evening as case from Richmond have arrived, they always respond to its case on while the Cosmos Club, of Washington. will collect and ship about the 16th inst. Klackner, of New York, has sent position. The literary societies of the University of North Carolina will loan portraits of historical personages of interest to this section. The Philanthropic Society has granted the loan of its representative pictures of historical value. Albert Guerry, a prominent arvalue. Albert Guerry, a prominent artist of Atlanta, will place a handsome portrait of Senator Vance. His commanding figure is seen in a sitting posture in this picture and it is said to be a striking likeness of this great man. The great strain expected during the next few days will be now heing done on the levees of north-to-like the striking likeness of this great man. The great strain expected during the next few days will be now heing done on the levees of north-to-like the first fi manding figure is seen in a sitting pos-ture in this picture and it is said to be a striking likeness of this great man. This artist exposes also one or two othart is complete until it is represented in

all its different branches Art in pottery is not the least attractive, and especially should this be true in this instance. The North Carolina Mineral and Mining Com-pany, of Sylva, and the Sebring Pottery Company, of East Liverpool, Ohio, will unite in exhibiting North Carolina's kaolin product, from the crude state on through the various processes of manufacture until the finished product assumes the dainty artistic porceials shapes so much admired.

Responsive to invitations from the executive committee of ladies, contributions of exhibits from cotton mills of States are coming in. This is an opportunity of the contribution of the c tunity for representing this, the princi-pal industry of the Carolinas, and at the same time conferring a favor, so heartily appreciated by the ladies and meaning so much to the interests o mill men generally that they cannot af ford to lose the opportunity. Extensive exhibits in this line are expected. Persons desiring to exhibit in any one of the various departments should lose no time in communicating with Mrs. Kel-logs, general manager, regarding spac-and location desired, for while there is applications every day diminish the

Large posters announcing the open ing day, railroad rates, etc., will soon appear upon bill boards in every city and town throughout the States. Watch for them and the opening date

legarded as the Commencement of Wa Constantinople. April 11.—In a communication to the ambassadors, dated April 10, the Porte speaks of the Greek invaders of the previous day as "regular" troops, and the incursion is regarded here as the commencement of war. Two thousand Bashi Bazouks assembled in an additions "The Communication of the assembled in an adjoining village and placed themselves in readiness to ad-vance in case of an attack by the marines on land.

ITEMS OF STATE NEWS.

It is given out that the eastern district Federal judgeship will be settled

This is the weightiest paragraph we THE SITUATION SEEMS CLOUDY

Washington, April 11 .- The outloo for the week in the Senate is so much befogged by the question with reference to committee re-organization that it is impossible to forecast the proceedings with accuracy. There is a possibility that this question may consume a great deal of attention, and if it is not satisfactorily disposed of, it may be used to prevent all efforts at securing legislation on important measures. Aside from the matter of re-organiza-

tion, there are four important questions before the Senate. These are the Mor-gan Cuban resolution, the bankruptcy bill, the Anglo-American arbitration bill, the Anglo-American arbitration treaty, and the appropriation bills. Senator Davis, chairman of the committee on foreign relations, said to-day that he was hopeful of securing con-firmation of the treaty during the week. the only circumstance likely to prevent it being the continued absence of Sen-ators. Senator Davis refuses to make any prediction as to the result of the final day when the vote will be reached. Senator Allison said when he presented the report on the sundry appropria-tion bill, that he would call it up this week. Senator Pettigrew, who will have charge of the Indian bill, has also stated that he hopes to take up that bill. If the Democrats do not object, on th bills will propably be thing this week. Senator ng this week. Mr. Davis a final attack upon the luring the pendency of Senators Hoar and anxious to press the to a vote, but, it will bankruptey fore any of the other

Trouble. Washington April 11.—The House will continue its programme of three days adjoinment this week. Jerry days' adjourns Simpson, of Kaneas, will embarrass the majority as much as possible by requiring a quorum to approve the Journal, but will have little aid from the Dem-ocrats, if the spirit of the resolution adopted by the Democratic caucus yesterday prevails. As the policy of the House leader at present is for acion, his opportunities to harrass the Republicans will be slight. It may be that owing to the urgency of the case, e leaders will deem it advisable, when House meets on Wednesday, to take the armor plate question in some im. In this event such legislation as is deemed proper to be had may come up under a special order from the committee on rules, but nothing has, as yet, been decided.

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measures

THE FLOOD AND AGRICULTURE.

Statement By the Government Showing the Magnitude of the Interests Affected By [the Flood-Nearly 4,000,000 Acres

Washington, April 11.-A statement clative to the agricultural interests of the Mississippi valley, south of Illi-nois, has been issued by the Depart-ment of Agriculture. It is based upon a chart prepared under the supervision of the chief of the Weather Bureau, showing the extent of the flood on april 6. To this chart the Department April 6. has appended the crop statistics of 1896, as representing more closely than any other available data the acreage and value of the crops now in jeopardy: The statistics of population, of the number and acreage of farms and of farm implements are those of the cen-sus, and the statistics of live stock are those of the Department of Agriculture of January 1, 1897.

The total area under water on Apri was about 15,800 square miles, of hich 7,900 miles were in Mississippi 4,500 in Arkansas. 1,750 in Missouri 1,200 in Tennessee, and 450 in Lousiana This region, in 1890, so far as can be determined from the somewhat indefinite boundary lines of the flood, had a population of 379,685, of which 186,489, or about one half, were in Mississippi; 100,235 in Arkansas, and the remainde ansas in that of 2 to 1. In 3 and Tennessee the population flood districts is largely white. A large collection of Indian curios. In and in the latter, 20 to 1. The flood consisting of their native dress and the districts, it is estimated, contain about different arms and articles used in 39,500 farms, of which 18,500 are in Miswarfare, valued at \$500, is on the way from Deadwood, S. D.

districts, it is estimated, contain about 39,500 farms, of which 18,500 are in Mississippi, nearly 10,000 in Arkansas, and a like number about equally divided sissippi, and rather over one fourth in Arkansas, the proportions in Missouri otal number of acres, at the f the last census was about two mil crops nearly 95 per cent, of the entire

acreage cultivated is devoted: The entire value, including one ne quarter million dollars for stock, and four hundred thousand dol-lars for crops on hand, is over eight and one-half million dollars. The weather bureau predicts a fur ther extent of the flood area, but no attempt, of course has been made to estimate how great it will be. The bureau publishes a map of the country flooded and says. The flood water in western Mississippi is just beginning to return to the Mississippi river, at a point just north of Vicksburg. It is expected that this flood will pass into the Mississippi between the mouth of Yazoo and Miliken's landing, a few miles to the north. The great strain ex-

er excellent pictures. No collection of One Hundred and Seventy-Three Miles in One Hundred and Sixty-Six Minutes-All Records Broken

Fayetteville Observer. 9th The most remarkable run that has ever been made in the South has just been accomplished. Mr. McIntyre, operator at the A. C. L. station in this city, received a telegram at 2:34 this afternoon from Rocky Mount announc-ing the arrival there of the special ex-press train which left Florence exactly three hours previously. This beats all ormer records by many minutes. The run from Florence to F Mount, a distance of 173 miles, was made in 180 minutes. Take from this seven, two-minute stops and it shows the phenomenal run of 173 miles in 166

minutes The engineer who accomplished this wonderful feat was Mr. John M. Don-

Right!

Wilmington Messenger North Carolina lacks true patriotism in peace times. It is never deficient in war times. It ought to celebrate throughout its borders, in every year, the 20th of May. No other State with such a great day in its annals would fail to celebrate it every year with pa-triotic demonstrations and rejoicings. The North would make it known around the world, and it would be famous above all other days. What is Plymouth Rock or Bunker Hill or Lexington or any other day to the Meck-lenburg Declaration? Celebrate, celebrate! and show the other States that you indeed, giory in the 29th of May, and are at heart proud of the patriots who gathered at the little Charlotte-

town on that epochal day. Damage to the Cotton Crop. St. Louis, April 10.-St. Louis factor say that enormous damage has been done to the cotton planting interests in the South as a result of the flood in Arkansas, Mississippi and a portion of southeastern Missouri. It is estimated on a conservative basis that the in undated territory along the Mississippi river produces an annual average of 1,500,600 bales of the highest grade cot-ton. From present indications the av-erage output will be materially reduced to-morrow.

Near Connelly Springs. Friday. Till-in many localities it is doubtful if any man Lowman was killed by a falling crop at all will be raised, while in others there will be a sickly yield. WANTED-A HUMAN FINGER.

New York World, 10th. A singularly painful and no less pair

fully singular project for the earning of a thousand dollars is responsible for Miss Grace Dinsmore's presence in this

WANTED Woman who for liberal pay will lose middle finger at middle joint in a necrosis or bone-grafting opera-Among the thousands who read this nusual "want" was Miss Dinsmore at her home, which is said to be in Bing-This young lady has the full complement of fingers, a more than average quantity of pluck, and pressing needs

hich can be best relieved by ready Hence it happens that Miss Dinsmore s now a guest at the Grand Union, waiting the completion of arrange-nents for the sacrifice of a middle Miss Dinsmore was rejuctant to speak

of the coming ordeal when seen last light by a World reporter. She is a lender, blue-eyed girl, evidently well fucated and accustomed to the refinevered in pathetic fashion, "but if the ry must be told let me tell it truth-

I am an orphan and in a sense des tute. Now that my parents are dead by one hope for a livelihood lies in my I wish to complete a musica ducation only just begun and to ac-implish this must have money. "When the singular advertisement offering liberal payment for a anger caught my eye I felt that Providence had created this opportunity for my especial benefit. Of course I tremble at the thought of sacrificing a finger just as any other girl would, but nervousness does not weigh against ambisness does not weigh against ambi

"So I came to New York and saw the ersons responsible for the advertise-It seems that a wealthy Texas woman will reach New York to-morow and if she consents to my terms ordeal will be over within forty-"I ask \$1,000," she finally explained and the amount seems to me to be lit

It means everything to me le enough. owever—a living and a useful future."
The lady from Texas had authorized ter doctors here to accept any offer eithin reason. The specialists who are naking the preliminary arrangements or the novel operation decline to re-eal the Southern lady's identity. It is said, however, that her name is Barton and that she is from Houston. The inger to change ownership will be sevred between joints and grafted to a reshly severed section of the bone, to

THE LOSS OF THE NELLIE SMITH

he Survivors Will Be Sent to New York-Savannah, Ga., April 11.-The sur vors of the American barkentine Nel-Smith, which was sunk in a collision with the Plant Line steamship La-Grande Duchesse, off the Jersey coast, Friday morning, will be taken to New on the steamer which sails Tues-Winfield S. Babbedge steward; Frank Conway, helmsman; Lars Harvasan, seaman. The five who ent down with the wreck are: Captain odge, of Peabody, Mass.; First Mate Anson, of Boston, Second Mate Nelson, of Brooklyn; Martin Simons and L. Hans, seamen. One of the mates is supposed to have been crushed in his unk by the bow of the steamer wh ut into the barkentine's side. B edge, Conway and Harvasan climb-nto the rigging and were swept of when the vessel went down. A few mi-ities after, they caught hold of the ro f the deckhouse which had float rom the sinking vessel and clung to until they were rescued by a lifeboat from the LaGrande Duchesse. The barkentine was under full sail when the illision occurred. The first mate. An on, was at the helm, Harvasan, who was on the lookout, in his statement to the master of the steamer, said that the collision would not have occurred had the mate stood by the wheel, but nstead of doing so, he ran to warn the uld change the vessel's course

GRANT DAY EXERCISES.

McKipley Will Deliver an Address-Other Noted Men to Take Part.

ew York Dispatch, 10th. Arrangements have been made for over 50,000 men to participate in the Frant memorial parade. In the milidivision there will be 5,000 reguhars. New York State will have 13,000 men in line, Pennsylvania 5,000, New Jersey 5,000 and there will also be from ight to ten thousand uniformed men rom organizations of other States; 10.-60 veterans and 10,000 in the civic di vision. The head of the column will start at 10:30 o'clock on the morning o he dedication

During the exercises at the tomb, Bishop Newman will deliver a prayer, after which General Horace Porter will leliver an address and turn the monu-ment over to Mayor Strong, who will receive it on behalf of the city. The mayor's speech, will be brief, lasting Kinley will then deliver an address and Archbishop Corrigan will pronounce

Got Damages for Murder. olumbia Dispatch. 9th.

A year ago Chas. T. Williams was killed in Blacksburg on the steps of the was alleged that he had succeeded Wil lams in the affection of Mrs. Anderson Pending an appeal. Reese and a dozen other prisoners escaped from fall. It was said he had \$20,000, and he is be lieved to have gone to Europe. Williams was married under the law known as the Lord Campbell act. His wife brought suit against Reese's estate for \$10,000 damages. The jury gave the widow \$6,500. It the first case of the kind on record in this State.

Engineer Terrell Reinstated

Raleigh News and Observer. Capt. W. Pitt Terrell, who for many years was engineer of the "helper" across the Blue Ridge from Old Fort o the Swannanoa Gap, and who was plamed for the accident in which Will James, engineer of the vestibule, west-bound from Norfolk to Chattanooga and his fireman were killed, has been restored to duty as switch engineer at Salisbury. Mr. Terrell has many friends and relatives in this county who will be glad to hear of his re-instatement. He has been on the Western North Caro-lina division of the Southern road for twenty-nine years, and that was the first accident in which the slightest iame could be attached to him.



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STILL CALLING FOR A STATEMENT. Gratify the Demands of the Citizen for a Statement of the City's Finances.

To the Editor of the Observer:

And still his honor, clam-like re-fuses to speak out on the statement question. How vast is the difference between Charlotte and Raleigh in this Miss Grace Dinsmore's presence in this city.

She is at the Grand Union Hotel, a fact due to the following advertisement which appeared in Sunday's issue of the World:

WANTED—Woman who for liberal pay

to a Charlotte and Rateign in this respect! The mayor and aldermen of the latter city have just issued their report, showing receipts, disbursements and floating debt. The paper is a business-like one, and doubly refreshing to a Charlottean who is debarred the right to know "whence came and where goeth" the taxes of the town. Nothing goeth" the taxes of the town. Nothing has disgusted me more than the insulting stubborness of Mr. Weddington in this position of indifference to public demand. I ask, frankly, how can any business man vote for him? How can any citizen aid him to again as sume the management of city affairs when he flatly refuses to say what has become of the money entrusted to him? He cannot plead the "baby act" by saying it is the duty of others to account for it, because the city Code has so protected the people by making the mayor the authority for final orders for payments. The mayor is, therefore, responsible, but his present finance committee, in consideration of the big political job he has on hand, ought to assist him in getting at the figures. Come out like a man, your honor, and ducated and accustomed to the refinements of life. There can be no doubt hat she is terribly in earnest and that he has nerved herself to the sacrifice ith a mighty effort at will.

"I regret that this matter has become ublic," explained the determined oung woman, in a voice, however, that ulvered in nathetic fashion, "but if the lost at least one hundred votes have lost at least one hundred votes in the last week by your bull-header course, and if you go on, you will no poll three hundred votes on election

> urnished, the current and publicly denounce you. A DEMOCRAT. MR. NEAL ON ROAD BUILDING.

day, and they will be given by the c terie kept in line by whiskey and mo

y. Let us await your pleasure fo hree days, and if the statement is no

le Thinks the Plan of Mr. Alexander and His Commissioners the Right One. o the Editor of the Observer:

"Mileage, not width." Yes, that is what we want, and Mr. Alexander and his commission are right, and the width of macadam and guage adopted by them is adequate for all practical pur-poses, a few miles out of town, and will greatly reduce the expense per mile. which is so essential, if we are to have chich is so essential, if we are to have nuch of this road-building in the coun-ty. Let them adhere to this; select heir "four" or five roads, spend their trength upon these alone, and they will have no fear of not being sustained by the good people of the county. These are changes that have long een desired, but pleaded for in vain. e hall with delight the prospects of heir being realized in the near future, rudence and diligence, with such prac-cal judgment, cannot fall to awaken new interest and new hopes in the oad-building in our county, and it is he wish of all that whatever difficulties exist in the way of obtaining funds may speedily be removed. With a fair trial for one year, we shall be disappointed if the report is not such as to recommend the changes made to every public-spirited citizen in the county. Respectfully yours, S. R. NEEL.

Davidson, N. C., April 10th, 1897. Fatal Collision of Electric Cars. orfolk, Va., Dispatch, 9tb.

A freight train on the Ocean View Electric Railway ran into an open switch at full speed at a siding two miles outside the city this afternoon and collided with a car heavily loaded with sand. William Phillips, the mo-torman, was crushed to death, and James Etheridge and John Henry were so badly injured they will probably die

The monthly pay roll of the Cape Fear & Yadkin Valley Railroad bears the disbursement of \$9,200 in Fayette-

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have eclipsed and are ahead of all cor-responding months in the annals of our commercial history. This fills us with ope that with renewed determination buy at under-value that the BEE HIVE may excel in giving values, wholesale or retail, any mercantile house South of Mason and Dixon's line. WHITE QUILTS FOR MONDAY. Counterpanes at 39 cents; counterpanes 75c.; white quilts worth \$1.50 at 98 cents; Marseilles quilts, no better made, and we can save you 25 per cent. on them.

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