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SOME MISAPPREHENSIONS COR RECTED.

The Winston Republican "sympathizes with the Observer in its dire dis. tress over the municipal election" in Charlotte last Monday, and especially "in its effort to prove that the result was not an anti-Democratic victory. This sympathy is misapplied. In last Tuesday's paper we told the precise truth in regard to the local political situation, and while this precise, whole truth did not please anybody on any side, it remains the truth, just the same, and we want neither approbation nor sympathy in the matter. Extending its horizon and recalling past memories, the Republican says it "re members what an anchor of hope to the country the Observer was last sum mer, before it recanted its opinions, and with the Democratic leaders fell into the Populist column and began to advocate Bryan and free silver. Like Sampson shorn of his locks, its strength has departed, and it is no longer feared by the machine managers." The Ob server last year recanted nothing. Between Bryan and free silver on the one side, and McKinley and protection on the other, it unhesitatingly chose the former. As for the rest, it hopes it was never feared by any good person-it has no ambition except to be respected and esteemed, and, judged by its subscrip tion list and what it hears, it concludes that it never had more friends than i

MISS PORNEY'S PA.

Miss Forney, of Kansas, has a pa wh belongs to the Senate branch of the Legislature of that State, and she has been giving her old man away to som extent. The story runs thus:

"Whenever pa runs up against any-thing," says she, "that he deesn't like, he comes home and writes a bill against it. We drove to church one night, and a freight train blockaded a crossing and kept us there twenty minutes. Next day pa introduced a bill to prevent rains from obstructing a crossing mor than five minutes. That night some body stole all our chickens. Then p wrote a chicken bill. But It protect ducks. It says except ducks. Pa doesn't like ducks. Whenever he site down to write a bill, we know some thing has happened to him."

This throws a very interesting sid light upon legislation in Kansas It to be wondered if in any other State is governed by the individual whims legislators. But what ought to be don with the blooming newspaper man who has given Miss Forney away?

The letter of President Latta of th '4 Cs., appearing elsewhere in this pape gratifies us beyond expression. His sensibility of the friendliness of the paper toward him and his enterprise is keenly appreciated. We were dead right in favoring the purchase of the park by the city when it was offered and while this is now a dead question-ren dered so by Mr. Latta's explicit letter If it had not been before-it is a pleas ure to see that this gentleman recalls our past attitude toward it with thanks We are glad to see that two cars are to be run on Trade street, at least until October 1st, and shall hope this service will be permanent. Appreciating the value to the community of this able and progressive man, the Observer is only too glad to co-operate with Mr. Latta as it is with all other good and live cit izens, in the up-building of Charlotte It respectfully declines to take leadership in any local matter, but it is the obedient servant and auxiliary of all those progressive people who mean well by the community.

More or less importance attaches the fact that the Governor of North Carolina is handing out appointments to people in Newbern, as councilmen for that town, without any reference to whether or not the people of that town desire to be ruled over by these appointees. The Governor is proceed ing under act of the last Legislature. which undertook to give him, instead of the people, the government of the towns. Litigation has resulted in Wilmington from this legislation, and now it is up in Newbern Now, as always, we hope the people will win. Government by them is to be preferred to gov. ernment by injunction, by Governors or by State Treasurers.

Publication has been made of the fact that Gen. James Longstreet, of Georgia, is to succeed Gen. Wade Hampton, of South Carolina, as United States railroad commissioner. That is all right. Hampton, a Democrat, was a brave Confederate general. Longstreet, a Republican, was a brave Confederate general. Hampton's crowd is out and Longstreet's in. Let Hampton give place to Longstreet. Both are in "the posed "to the Lamb and Wise faction lean and slippered pantaloon;" and there is nothing to the job under consideration except the salary. It is sim- Bro. Westmoreland Has a Worshipful ply a question as to which of these two old Confederates shall have this To the Editor of the Observer: particular pension.

The people of North Carolina will be intensely interested in Mr. Tillett's discussion, in this morning's paper, of the recent Charlotte city bonds decision by the Supreme Court. It did not turn upon the point first understood, but quite another, and Mr. Tillett pronounces the decision "startling." It appears that the bonds themselves are not invalidat. ed, but that there is no power under decision, applying to this case, applies to a great many others. Mr. Tillett's a review of this opinion is of the utmost importance.

Firemen Parade Suits.

The reel team which is to contest for the prizes at the 20th celebration yesterday gave Lieberman & Co. the order terday gave Lieberman & Co. the order for fifty parading uniforms. The members are the station and welcomed by many prominent Americans and others. the act to levy a tax for the payment

CANNOT CHARLOTTE HAVE A LY-

What seems to the Observer to be a The 250th Anniversary Will Be Celebrai ighly commendable enterprise is one During the General Assembly. highly commendable enterprise is one undertaken by the Southern Lyceum \$5 annually, which entitles the member to two tickets of admission to every ecture. The larger the membership that (a) prepared the way for the call-ing of the Assembly, and (b) exerted an influence on it when called. philanthropical, and undertaken out of a desire to bring the best thought of D. Lexington, Va. the country within reach of the most D. people for their instruction, entertainnent and culture. The president of the at the time. association is Henry Watterson; vice president, John B. Gordon; secretary and treasurer, Hugh C. Middleton, of D., Louisville, Ky. Augusta, Ga.; advisory board: Henry Watterson, Louisville, Ky .; J. L. M. Curry, Washington, D. C.; C. B. Gallovay, Jackson, Miss.: Thos. Nelson I Page, Washington, D. C.; Jno. B. Gorden, Atlanta, Ga.; Patrick Walsh, Augusta, Ga.: Sam P. Jones, Cartersville Ga.; William Preston Johnston, New rleans, La.; A. H. Belo, Dallas, Tex. Frank L. Stanton, Atlanta, Ga.; Hugh

Middleton, Augusta, Ga. It is intended that the association shall embrace the following Southern

Richmond, Norfolk, Lynchburg, Ral igh, Wilmington, Charlotte, Augusta rganized), Savannah, Macon, Columus, Atlanta (organized), Jacksonville Birmingham, Montgomery, Mobile. Louisville, Lexington, Chattanooga, Knoxville, Nashville, Little Rock, Hot Springs, Meridian, Vicksburg, Baton Rouge, New Orleans, Galveston, Hous on, Dallas, Fort Worth, Waco, Aus tin, and San Antonio.

It is the intention that they shall al be organized by the 1st of December The Augusta Chronicle says in an ediorial upon this subject:

This large Southern work arises he phenomenal practical success of the work at Augusta and Atlanta for the past three and four years. Augusta's ceum was organized four years ago and now the people hear from twelve o fifteen of the leading men of the imes at a cost of only 16 2-3 cents ad mission. Next year the membershi will increase to give an audience of bout 1,000 when the cost will com about 12 cents. The educaown to about 12 cents. The educa-ional effect upon the community has en incalculable. During this e people have heard a large number such men as Russell Conwell, Lyman blott, Richard Malcolm Johnston leorge Kennan, Hopkinson Smith, Max Reil, Thomas Nelson Page, Henry Watterson, James Lane Allen, George R. Wendling, Robert J. Burdette, Dr. Jeorge C. Lorrimer, Murat Halstead, c., etc., etc., etc.

The Augusta Herald says: The annual fee of a lyceum should b

to cover all cost whatever of a cear's entertainment. The larger the membership fee the larger the fund, the arger the fund, the greater the number of entertainments, and the less their average cost to every member. The Lugusta Lyceum, established in 1893 has 375 members (750 attendance), and save in the season of '96-97, 16 enteralnments, at an average cost ents each (32 admissions for \$5). Net ear the Augusta Lyceum will have 5 embers, and will doubtless go to or 800 members within three years. The Atlanta Lyceum started in 1896 with 32 nembers, and gave a course averaging scents admission, and has \$250 left in the treasury from public admissions, o strengthen next year's courses. The Atlanta Lyceum will doubtless run to

he above named cities, the greatest led urers of the day would come into this ction, whereas otherwise, it would no my them to come. It is even difficu or Atlanta sometimes to get the bes alent, because, it is too long a jump or a lecturer from, say. Washington to Atlanta and from there back to Wash ngton or to some other equally distant

The Observer hopes to see Charlott save a lyceum before the 1st of next December. Its columns are open to any one who may wish to promote and further this end.

In an interesting write-up of the lat Representative Holman, of Indiana, in he Washington Pest, the following passage occurs:

Senator Turple said, a few days be re Mr. Holman's death. He owns the d homestead yet and perhaps not uch more." Then the senator added aughtfully, and aimost reverently nore than thirty years o publi he lettres as well off as who entered Congress." This is remarked upon as "a most el

equent though simple tribute to the ionesty of Mr. Holman

Maybe. And yet you can't alway ell about these things. There is North Carolinian who has seen som wenty-five years of public service and the charge against him is that he won' and can't pay his debts. It is passe o his discredit that he is poor. Judg Holman is praised, above, for havin died poor; and Grover Cleveland and John Sherman are abused because, it i said, they are rich.

How is all this thing, anyhow?

VIRGINIA REPUBLICANS PROTEST Postmas er General Gary Visited By

Squad of Thirty-Complaint Lodged Against the Lamb and Wise Faction. Washington, May 8 -- A delegation of about thirty Republicans, representing the Bowden faction, in the second con-gressional district of Virginia, had an interview with Postmaster General Gary to-day. They protested warmly against the efforts of the Wise faction to secure recognition, and denounced what they called the intervention in Virginia politics of John S. Wise New York, who was spokesman for the Richard A. Wise delegation, which was recently here. They said their speakers were Virginians, and that all three nbers of the State committee, from hat district supported Bowden were headed by Col. John J. Dyer, recent candidate for Congress; ex-Mayo Banks, of Norfolk: State Committee-man H. B. Nichols, of Norfolk: Thomas Lowry, chairman of the Norfolk city committee: Col. H. B. Day, of Newport News, and Chairman S. L. Burroughs, of the republican congressional com-mittee, and C. P. Corrigan, colored, or-ator. They asserted that they com-

forcing a bogus organization on the administration.

ator. They asserted that they represented the Republican organization of the second district, the original McKinley element of Virginia, and were op-

Master's Job. You are mistaken in thinking that am "holding down" Rich Lily's job in the Supreme Court building. I have the the Supreme Court building. I have the job of ex-Janitor Samuel W. Walker, a gentleman, a worshipful master Mason, Rich Lily, after one of your pets.

Yours respectfully.

I. F. WESTMORELAND. Raleigh, N. C., May 8, 1897.

THE WESTBLINSTER STANDARDS.

One of the most interesting feature Association. It is to have in a chain of southern cities local lyceums organized for the purpose of securing the best lecturers on the American and English Standards. Some of the ablest men in the Southern Church will take part in the programme, which is as follows: by means of a membership fee, say of HISTORICAL AND DESCRIPTIVE. (1) The Social and Political Condition of Britain at the time, with special ref-erence to those aspects of the times

Principal-Rev. Henry A. White, D. Alternate-Rev. Robert P. Kerr. D Richmond, Va. (2) The Religious Situation of Britain Principal-Rev. Robert Price, D. D.

Clarksville, Tenn. Alternate-Rev. C. R. Hemphill, D. 3) Description of the Assembly-its personnel, proceedings and place ecting.

Principal—Rev. 1. D. Witherspoon, D. Louisville, Ky. Alternate—Rev. R. K. Smoot, D. D., Austin, Texas. II.-EXPOSITORY AND CRITICAL (4) The Doctrinal Contents of the Confession—its fundamental and regu-ative ideas; and the necessity and value of Creeds.

Principal-Rev. Robert L. Dabney, Alternate-Rev. John S. Watkins, D. Spartanburg, S. C. Value and Special Utility the Catechisms.

Principal—Rev. G. B. Strickler, D. D. Hampden Sidney, Va. Alternate—Rev. S. A. King, D. D.

aco, Texas.

(6) Polity and Worship-emphasizing neir relation to doctrine. Principal—Rev. B. M. Palmer, D. D. ew Orleans, La. Alternate—Rev. Eugene Daniel, D. D. Raleigh, N. C HL-INFLUENCES. RELATIONS.

(7) The Churches that hold the West. ninster Symbols, and the Reformed hurches generally—their points of ontact and contrast; their present retions, work, and outlook Principal-Rev. J. D. Tadleck, D. D. dumbia, S. Alternate-Rev. J. W. Walden, D. D. thens, Ga.
(8) The Westminster Symbols in their

Missionary Character and Activities of Principal-Rev. Moses D. Hoge, D. D. ichmond, Va. Alternate-Rey, W. F. V. Bartlett, D Lexington, Ky. (9) The Westminster Symbols considered in relation to Current Popular Pheology and the Needs of the Future.

telation to and Influence Upon the

Principal-Rev. Samuel M. Smith, D., Columbia, S. C. Alternate-Rev. E. H. Barnett, D. D. Atlanta, Ga. (10) The Influence Exerted by the Westminster Symbols upon the Indidual, the Family and Society, Principal-Rev. J. F. Cannon, D. D. t. Louis, Mo. Alternate-Rev. A. R. Cocke, D. D.

Waynesboro, Va.
(11) The Influence of the Westmin ter System of Doctrine. Worship and He is still working hard on his nolity, on Civil Liberty and Responsi e Government. Principal-Hon, W. M. Cox. Baldwin Alternate-Judge J. Q. Ward. Paris

LOCATION OF THE TENTS.

Where to Find the Wonders of the Barnun & Bailey Show.

The tents of the Barnum & Baile show when it visits Charlotte Wednes-day will be at show grounds near the graded school. The free street parade will leave these grounds at 9 o'clock in the morning, and will take about an hour and a half to cover the route through the principal streets. The hours advertised for the circus per-Every lyceum is under entirely local formance in the big tent are 2 p. m. and 8 p. m. The menagerie is the finest collection of expensive animals in the country, and includes a number of rare spectator than the collection of animal the group of rare specimens of hu canity that occupies the most promi place under the menageric pavil on Here are the Orissa twins. Radica and Doodica, two young Hindo girls, who are Joined together by a more wonlerful ligature than the Siamese twins They are very pretty, and are only 14 ars old, and when in New York re Society, whose agent couldn't se hat they were better off in the bright tmosphere of Madison Square Garden than cooped up in a freak's boarding

ouse. Here also are the largest and the mallest of living humanity—Ella Ew-ng, a young Missouri glantess, nearly line feet tall, and Great Peter the mall, a wee mile of a man, 2 inches high, small enough to ge wee mite of a man only ed in Miss Ewing's shoe. Peter weigh six and a half pounds, less than the majority of healthy bables at birth There is also a fine vaudeville show ven here including a concert on al odd and little known instruments oth ancient and modern times, and both savage and civilized nations. I ddition to the other attractions of the senageric tent, a fine military band ssisted by the beautiful young corne oloist, Jessie Miller, gives a high-class oncert during the preliminary hour the circus, it need only to be said that it is the good old Barnum & Bai-ey three-ring circus, with Rose Went-worth, the Meers Sisters, William Showles and other favorite riders, the Dunhams, Silbions, Dunbars, Potters ind other first-class aerialists: eras. Werts and O'Brien and other onderful acrobats; LaRoche, the myserious ascensionist; John O'Brien, wit trained horses in one ring, besides rained elephants, bulls, bears, dogs onkeys, hogs, llons and tigers. Jessie Villars and Olga Olschanzky, the only ady clowns, besides Peter Caban. Har-y Wentworth and a score of funny fel. ws. And it all concludes with excitng hippodrome races and the great imping horses Oxford and Evergreen exhibited by the English equestrienne. Miss Nellie Reid and the greatest American horsewoman, Mme, Maran-

The Opera Will Be Fine Messrs. Anderson & Powell yesterday finished mimographing the choruses for the Chimes of Normandy. This opera is one of the prettiest goin, and it will be Griffin is a remarkably fine director. The costumes for the leading characters will be ordered from the North. The chorus girls are at work now on their The opera will be given on he 18th, and will be well worth hearing.

At the Opera House.

"Our Boys" had their first house rehearsal last night. They will but the play on second to none, not even the New York artists. "Dad" Ferfis and Mr. Seigle are experts all along the line. Tickets will be on sale Tues-day morning at Jordan's. The box sheet will open at 10 o'clock, so the la-dies can have an equal showing with the men in getting seats. Tickets sold on the streets can be exchanged at Jor-

Dr. J. B. Alexander yesterday re-ceived from 'Squire Jim Wilson, of Hopewell, a copy of the acts of the Assembly of North Carolina from 1715 to 1803. The year 1789 is spoken of as "the 14th year of our independence." The book belonged to William Bain Alex-

ander, grandfather of Dr. J. B. Alexhas his signature on the fly leaf. Mr. Davidsou One of the Triumvirate. The county executive committee of the People's party, met yesterday morning in the office of the chairman. The object of the meeting was to elect

FOR COMPLETE HUMILIATION

PRESENT DI-POSITION OF TURKEY

The Sultan Urged Not to Stop Edher Pasha Short of Athens-A Large Turkish Loun Negotiated - Efforts to Maintain King George on the Throne -Not Please With the Rejection of the Arbitration

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London, May 8.—The war occupies al attention and war topics are of interest The powers are now anxious that hos tilies should end. Turkey, however does not seem disposed to arrest he Pasha is quartered at Athens. The Turkish government has concluded a loan with the Lighthouse administration for 500,000 pounds, at 9 per cent. Part of this money will be devoted to war purposes. The impression now prevails that an armistice will soon be arranged. King George has asked the powers to mediate, and it is a loan to make the greek. army in the midst of its triumph. The powers to mediate, and it is expected that the Greek government will follow immediately with a request for mediatio Greece will have to yield in regard to the evacuation of Crete. Germany strongly insists on this point, considering intervention to be utterly useless while Greek troops remain in Crete. France, Great Britain and Italy are disposed to be more lenient, but German will carry the point. Greece, as a mat-ter of course, should pay Turkey's war expenses, but it is doubtful if Greece will be able to pay a cent. The Sultan wishes to keep Thessaly in pawn until the money is paid or Europe guarantees

the payment of the indemnity.

The powers are exerting their influence to maintain King George upor the throne of Greece, and it is stated that the Russian minister at Athens M. Onou, has stated to M. Ralli that Greece remains loyal to her royal fami ly the powers will do their utmost t lessen the full burden of war; bu should Greece bring a catastrophe upo the royal house, the powers will unre lentingly let things take their course From another quarter it is learned that at St. Petersburg they already reckon upon the probability of the royal famileaving Athens, and that Queen Olga s to go to her mother, the Grand Duchss Josephoyna, of Russia.

The rejection of the arbitration treat by the United States Senate has been received here with much disappoint-ment, and many hard things are being

said about American politicians disastrous fire on Tuesday las at the Paris Charity Bazaar, gave Em peror William, of Germany, another o portunity to offer the olive branch France, in the shape of warm expre ons of sympathy, which he followe up by sending a handsome floral wreat in behalf of himself and the Empres to be placed in the cathedral of Notr Dame on the occasion of the re mass to-day, for the repose of the of the victims.

The canard circulated in the Unit States to the effect that Samuel Clemens (Mark Twain) was dead. of the slightest foundation. Mr. C. ons is in London, and is in better healt and spirits than for a long time pas

The first consignment, 2,000 cases, rozen American poultry arrived Leadenhall market, this city, dur the week. The condition of the fowl creat satisfaction, and the consignmen und a ready market

DEATH OF MR. STEPHENSON.

He Had a Fine Mineral Collection and Was the Discoverer of the Hiddenite M: Griffith Arrives With His Bride. tectal to the Observer.

Statesville, May 8 .- Rev. Jno. H. Grif th, rector of Trinity Episcopal church and Mrs. Griffith, formerly Mrs. Green ough, of Alexandria, Va., arrived here s and were tendered a receptly evening by Mrs. J. S. Ramsey. Mrs. Griffith were married at th home last Wednesday. The I begin housekeeping in a few day a handsom new residence on Centi

J. A. D. Stephenson died to-da 11:05 o'clerk. He was well know as the collector and owner of the best dineral collection in the State. He first liscovered a number of pems in the 'nited States, and was the discovere f hiddenite, which was found in Alex-nder county. Mr. Stephenson came from Alexander county to Statesville about 1861, and was for a number of years a member of the firm of Wallace Bros. & Stephenson, and afterward wa ssociated with the firm of Stephenson furdock & Co. He was about 73 year d. The interment will be at Oakwood etery to-morrow at 3 p. m The projectoscope and patent med

ne company give their last entertair The german club will give a ball Mon lay night in the armory

SHOOTING IN STATESVILLE.

one Colored Man Puts a Number of Bal nto Another, and is Captured and Jailed pecial to the Observer. Statesville, May 8. Tom Stevenso dored, was shot this afternoon at clock by Hayes Matthews, colored, at he corner of the court house yard fatthews fired four shots, standing

ust in front of Stevenson, three which took effect in the breast. The wo had previously quarrelled during he day, and Matthews had just pur hased a pistol a few minutes before the shooting. He is said to be from the shooting. He is said to be from Reidsville. He was captured, and is i

A NEW COTTON MILL AT TROY.

It Will Have a Capacity of 15,000 Spindle -Awarded Oue Cent Damages - Many Salisbury People Coming to Charlotte This Month-Cheap Bailroad Bates.

pecial to the Observer. Salisbury, May 8,-Your correspondnt learns from a gentleman who has ust returned from Troy, the long-dormant capital of Montgomery, that it is at last joining the march of progress. Mr. Joseph Smitherman and his associates are building a large cotton mill, 320x100 feet, of brick, one-half of which it two stories in height, with enginehouse, boiler-house and lapper-room outside. The mill will have a probable capacity of 15,000 spindles, and will both spin and weave. Local, individual capital is said to be doing the work. In addition to this, your correspondent's in rmant says that about forty new frame dwellings are in process of erec-tion. Troy is in the great long-leaf pine elt of North Carolina, beautifully situated, and noted for health. It is now direct railroad communication with he Southern Rallway from High Point and with the Seaboard Air Line from Aberdeen. An eminent geologist, Prof. Emmons, says that the earliest known vidences of animate life on the globe have been found at Troy, Zion, as other places in Montgomery county. The jury in the Foreman-Ritchie case this morning returned their verdict, an-awering four vital issues in favor of Foreman, but awarding him one cent damages. Every issue was in favor of

the plaintiff.
The firemen of the city held a meeting last night, and elected C. H.Swink chief vice G. G. Seyfert, resigned. M. V. B. Capps was made assistant chief, and other officers were elected. Owing to the low rate of \$1.45 for the found trip, many Salisburians will attend the Woman's Exposition at Charotte. On the 19th and 20th of this month the fare will be \$1.10 for the round trip. Agent Strachan, of the Southern, informs me. Judge Starbuck leaves to-night for

An Aged Banker Found Dead. Richmond, May 8.— N. W. Neison, president of the Metropolitan Bank of Richmond, was found dead in his bath The object of the meeting was to elect room this morning, with the gas turn-some one to fill the vacancy on the road con. He had been a great sufferer commission. Mr. John Springs Davidson was elected. The committee then his life to get rid of his pain.

Chester, S. C., to spend Sunday.

On Sunday, 2nd, Chicago suffere

THE FOUR C.'S AND THE CITY.

The Park, Mr. Latta Says, Could Not Be Bought Under Any Conditions While Mr. Springs is Mayor—1 he Present Street Car Service on Trade Street to Be Maintaine

at All Events Until October. Mr. J. P. Caldwell, Editor. Dear Sir: I notice with great interest and equal surprise your editorials in this morning's Observer.

I am gratified, and thank you for your presentation of facts as they exist. Elative to the park question, for at the time you made a bold advocacy, believing that the city should possess itself of a park as a pleasure as well as a profitable measure, the first because all growing cities find it necessary for the health and recreation of its people to have a "resting place," and secondly,

and formally requested an interview, did I resolve to offer the park to the city, and in turn it was apparently reected and the question as far as we are oncerned forever settled. It is not my expectation or intention

at any time in the future to offer this property to the city, and should every man, woman and child in Charlotte petition for the purchase of the park, it could not be bought at any price or upon any conditions during the term of office of Mr. R. R. Springs. office of Mr. E. B. Springs. His administration must and shall be unfettered by any semblence of inter st in behalf of my company. He is mayor of Charlotte and I per-ionally believe that our city has hon-

ored herseli by calling this capable, estimable, princely gentleman to the chair of responsibility, in the manage-ment of her affairs, at a very critical moment in her history, and certainly no one within her borders has more at stake in her destiny than this public spirited man, who has invested his money in almost every enterprise and industry that affords employment to er artisans, thereby giving o every channel and artery of trade.

I stand opposed to every obstruction to Charlotte's progress and I hope that with one accord the people will rise and give their united support to this adminstration which, as a body collectively, s a congregation of broad guage worthy, representative business men. With one single purpose in view, workong in concert as a people, we can accomplish much, and taking the initiative I am resolved to do my utmost to urther the onward march of Charlotte, for it is only in her success and offinate greatness that Dilworth, her success. urban annex, can expect to prosper-nly through the agency of her outflow can we ask or hope to become of im-portance. Our interests are insepara-oly one, and my purest aspiration is to make Dilworth the pride of Charlotte. And now, touching your reference t ny proposed policy of improving Trade treet's advantages. I am so confident f your honesty of purpose and your incere desire for the whole people's oncern and benefit that I will state hat it is my intention to maintain the vo cars on Trade street until October

st, no matter what may be the result f the test. I feel that the convenience the people must be regarded, when e loss is not too great to ourselves. It will, of course, gratily me should receive a reciprocal response fron se living along the line. Thanking you for your unexpected ntervention, which allows me the op-

rtunity of settling a monted question ind asking as a citizen the privilege of joining under your generalship an irmy of volunteers in a contest for 'harlotte's supremacy. I am respectfully

E. D. LATTA, Pres't, 4 C's, Charlotte, May 8.

CALHOUN STARTS FOR CUBA.

His Mission is Solely One of Investigation of the Ruiz Affair The Competitor Case. Washington, May 8.-W. J. Calhoun, pecial for Tampa, where he will take eamer for Havana. He was accompa led by Mr. Fishback, who goes in th apacity of his secretary. Mr. Calhou spects to spend a day or two after ith Consul General Lee, before b indertakes the formal inquiry. ays that his duties are limited strictly o the investigation of the condition nder which Dr. Ruiz met his death i be jail at Guanabacca. The proceed [vil trial; for, so far, at least, there I

o accused person. No official notice has been had from Consul General Lee that the Competitionses have been transferred to if ivil courts, but assurances have bead that Melton, the newspaper cor-espondent, will at least be treated with Il the consideration that his non-comsatant connection with the expedition arrants. As for the other American risoners, all of the privileges guaraned by treaty are to be extended. Th state Department has taken the posi-ion that the crew of the ill-fated Com etitor, which was an American vesse merican citizens.

MEMORIAL DAY IN WINSTON.

Clement Manly Delivers an Floquent Ad dress, Presenting a Portrait of Maj. T . Brown to the Camp-Judge Purnell Ap points His Daughter His Secretary. secial to the Observer.

Winston, May 8.-Memorial Day was appropriately celebrated here to-day. A seautiful oration was delivered by Hon. lement Manly, who presented to Nor-leet Camp a portrait of its commander, Maj. T. J. Brown. The picture was donated to the camp by S. E. Hough, member of the Fourteenth New York Regiment, but now a resident of Winston. Editor Whitaker, of the Sentinel, accepted the picture in behalf of the camp, and in an eloquent speech. The graves of departed soldiers were decorated and sentine ware fired over the state of the sentine ware fired over the sentine was sentined. rated, and salutes were fired over them by the Forsyth Riflemen and the Davis chool cadets. Dinner was served by he ladies to over six hundred Confed

rates.
Judge Purnell, of the United States Court for the Eastern North Carolina district, has appointed his daughter. Miss Lula, his private secretary. She has been living here for eighteen

Worshipped the Land.

Natchez, Miss., Dispatch, 6th-One of the most pathetic scenes since the flood took place yesterday. Thirty negroes, drifting on a raft, were landed here, having been floating for four days with nothing to eat. No sooner had they reached the land than they fell down and worshipped it.

A colored Baptist preacher near-by offered his services and began at once to baptize the whole crowd. They re-fused to eat or leave the river bank until the baptism was completed. said the flood was a visitation of divine wrath.

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MORRIS ON TOWN CAMPAIGNS.

THE AVERAGE AFFAIR A FUSS DEVIL Slittering Opportunities for the Citizen Previously Under Restraint, to Come to the Front-The Old Time Mayor of the North Carolina Town-His Pay and His Duties-The Circus a Boon for the Re-

pressed Citizen, But It Lasts Only a Day The Commercial Salesman in the Fray. national campaign is an affair too home. Even a State campaign is too imponderable to be skilfully handled as a menace, a provocative of fussiness in a small town-neighborhood. But a town ampaign is a fuss-devil.

A town campaign provides the choicest means by which that citizen, ordieral requests for me to make a price upon and offer the park for sale to the city; but not until you called in passes and flowers. son with the lead horn, and also act as jockey for the orator of the occasion by whipping him up and spurring him on with such injunctions as "go it, old

In the old times there were no town

In those days the citizens of the town ving in the ambuscade of obscurity. ithout the aid of a town campaign to erk him from under the whelm o rivacy and fetch nim to the conspicu-usness of the ront, had to repress imself and wait for an opportunity to emonstrate, as a Big Ike expanded er the circus tent, and on the top row of the Carolinas. when he loudly but kindly re-directed the averted eyes of the female auditors the accentuated brevity of the gowr

the maidenly bareback rider.

while that scheme of economic attire was already quietly but satisfactorily explained by the protrusion of the shapely and nimble lady herself below the lines of her dainty skirt.
Thus, a local director of a strictly eld-wide and professional affair, the citizen, heretofore and elsewhere than at the circus, in municipal obscurity, was revealed to public observation and assumed aspects of an importance only until these, presumably the prerogative of the new constable when serving his first warrant and making his first ar-rest. Insomuch, he was, during the afternoon and evening synods circus, more famous than the mother of the baby elephant, or the man wh had driven the band wagon in th

But the circus comes and goes in lay, leaving nothing but the ridge d ining the limit of the ring and a holen the ground, as a memorial of the sting place of the center-pole, to re call a lunge of the commonly obscure citizen into the too short publicity made ossible by the afternoon performance both himself and the fleeting circus But the town-campaign, beginning t mell had two months be ore the election, and slinking worse and worse three months after the polls are closed answers the widening need of the reressed citizen to turn himself loos ile of the road, caperingly and freak-

It is to be deplored that a comme al salesman, a regulation drummer, criving in a town on his first visit, nould find himself, before he has been signed to his stall in the tavern, in a it discussion about the respective erits of the several candidates for e single office of mayor But it is only at midnight, following the afternoon of the drummer's ad nt in the town, when he has returned om carrying a flame in a torchligh vession for the luminous glorifica-

of the candidacy of a man for yor, whose name the doesn't know at he may consistently borrow a ivel, and, after rapping himself to or r. personally convene in solemn re-ction on the tempestuous mastery of political conviction, pitched to him om the storm-center of a municipal quall, and caught on the fly.

JOHN R. MORRIS.

No. Its Head Will Not Be Turned. utawba Correspondence Statesville Land

We hope our most excellent contemorary, the Charlotte Observer will not set "stuck up" because of the many ompliments it receives and the double Latta in naming his new car the "Ob server," which no doubt was, yester-day, "a thing of beauty and a joy for" —a season; and then that fine picture of Miss Davis', dedicated to the Observer. Such things will no doubt turn a young fellow's head, but the Observer has a wise head and we anticipate no imme-liate bad effects. Your correspondent is a great admirer of and subscriber ;

DEBILITY To those who suffer pain the joy of relief is indescribable. Debility causes Revolving Box Press with steam.

all the inconveniences of pain, though Tramper and Screw Power. not its sharpness. It is a later stage of disease Pains and debility are symptoms of

a deranged condition of the kidneys. They will disappear when the kidneys act right, not before. Diseased or inactive kidneys can be

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A national campaign is an ariar too big for the man with a spite against his neighbor to use for his spiteful ends. A single citizen is a factor too little to control a thing so vast as an available medium through which to squirt his hate across the street and into the front door of the opposite home. Even a State campaign is too Cotton Mill Machinery.

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oby, or by calling for an administration of a justice, presumably to be deferred until the close of the final scene of this world, when vociferating a demand to "give pim hell and rub it in."

What is the cause of this great uprising among the people? A question that hundreds ask every day. And will it continue? Our answer is "Yes." Folly to talk about quelling it. Why the combined forces of Uncle Sam, with the aid of the home guard, cannot even check it—spreading like will a support the combined forces.

BELK BROTHERS

campaigns in North Carolina. Then the mayor of a Tar Heel town was paid about \$25 a year, and he had to act as judge, tax collector, policeman and to curry the mule that pulled the garbage-cart. He was, also, expected to keep the hogs from rooting the sidewalks away, and to pass the first lick and draw the first blood in court if the defendant made any remarks reflecting offensively on the correctness of his judicial deliverance.

Created this stir among the masses of this country by making a raid on the northern cities recently, and since the landing of our "ship", ladened down with shoes from Boston; dry goods, clothing, hats, notions, &c., from New York, that were picked up from panic manufacturers, auction sales, &c. and fixing such were picked up from panic manufacturers, auction sales, &c. and fixing such were picked up from panic manufacturers, auction sales, &c. and fixing such were picked up from panic manufacturers, auction sales, &c. and fixing such were picked up from panic manufacturers, auction sales, &c. and fixing such were picked up from panic manufacturers, auction sales, &c. and fixing such were picked up from panic manufacturers, auction sales, &c. and fixing such were picked up from panic manufacturers, auction sales, &c. and fixing such were picked up from panic manufacturers, auction sales, &c. and fixing such were picked up from panic manufacturers, auction sales, &c. and fixing such were picked up from panic manufacturers, auction sales, &c. and fixing such were picked up from panic manufacturers, auction sales, &c. and fixing such were picked up from panic manufacturers, auction sales, &c. and fixing such sales, &c

LEADERS.

We'll become a by word in every household in North and South Carolina This cargo was purchased to meet the constantly increasing demand here, and, besides, to supply the thousands who visit our city this month to see the Woman's Exposition, Barnum & Bailey's show, 20th of May and other attractions, with goods at such a low price that they will save money by taking advantage of the monstrate, as a Big Ike expanded nto a Large Isaac, until the circus ame. Then, the repressed citizen, un-

of the circus tent, and on the top row of the circus tent, and on the top row of the circustent, and on the top row of the circustent tent of seats, became an interestingly audible, though irregular the market for the money, sold for 75c. Hand made shoes, cost \$2.50 to \$1.75 to make, being sold for 98c. Ladies' Oxfords in tan and black, biggest stock in the circustent of the circustent tent of the circustent of the circust electrand critical audience, he was believe and critical audience, he was pair. The best hand made shoes in men's, either tan or black, late style toes, uent and pungent in interlarding the remarks of the clown with his personal views, and was helpful in his vocalization that striped indipenses in the saststing that striped indipenses in the sast striped in massisting that striped indiparts, 5c. and up. Hats—more than any three houses combined—from 5c. up to rendering the refrain to his the best brands. Dress goods—the ladies of town are walking advertisements for the best brands. Dress goods—the ladies of town are waste time running the deficate detail of the exhibition around, but make for headquarters, where you will be pleased in price and qual-

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Charlotte, N. C.

ors will soon fill the enormous space of the Exposition quarters; one by one visitors who come partly to purchase will wend their way to the CORNER OF TRADE AND COLLEGE STREETS, where ONE by ONE car load lots of fresh new goods, bought last week expressly for May buyers, are being empti ed into the vast receiving department of the spacious

The Cheapest and Best Arranged Store in the State WHOLESALE AND RETAIL.

Our Spot Cash Lever did double duty last week in New York auction rooms The whirl pool of depression which has recently drawn down and capsized prices on staple dry goods scarcaed by the Bee Hive's Spot Cash Probe, and loads and loads of staple dry goods dropped one by one last week into the Bee Hive at 50c. on the dollar

Dry Goods, such as Dimities, elegant new spring styles; Ducks, White Piques, Percales, Bleached Domestics, India Linen, Mulls. Clothing and Hats in Profusion.

Shoes, too, have shared in the whirlpool of depression which has wrecked prices on staples. Ladies' button shoes, with patent tips, 46c.; ladies' shoes, fine, worth \$1.25, at 75c.; ladies' shoes, Zeigler's, Cousin's. Fourts: and other fine \$3.00 shoes, small sizes, in 1½, 2 and 3's, at 98c., Oxfords, black and tan.

Men's fine shoes at 75c. 88c. and 98c. Job lot shoes, solid leather. Men's and ladies' fine and coarse shoes at 48c. Think of it, men's fine shoes at 48c. Finer hand sewed shoes for men.

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MORTGAGE SALE OF CITY PROP-

By virtue of a power vested in me by a deed of trust executed to me by W. J. Black and wife, Mary A. Black, on the 4th day of April, 1893, and re-corded in Book 88, Page 297, in the office of the register of deeds for Mecklenburg county, I will sell at public auction at the court house door in the city of Charlotte. N. C., on Tuesday, the ist day of June, 1897, at 12 o'clock, noon, the valuable city property described in said deed of trust, the same being the property situated on the south corner made by the intersection of Trade and College streets, in the city of Charlotte, known and designated on the map of said city as lot No. 97, in square 13, in Ward 2, fronting fifty feet and running back with college street on one side and the line of Long & McWhirter on the other side 66 feet to Long &

McWhirter's line. The same is the property on which are located the property on which are located the store-houses now occupied by G. W. Norman and the Wilson Drug Company (formerly by Thomas Reese & Co.) Terms cash. This the 24th day of April, 1897. W. C. MAXWELL, Trustee.

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