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A DISPUTED QUESTION.

Tell me, is flirting wicked? Think o' it once or twice. For if I were very naughty, It couldn't be so nice. Why most young people like it But the parents all object; They must have all forgotten Their young days, I expect. Would life be worth the living, A hitch, a little stare, Some dark and hidden corner, Or meaning in a look? The sofa that are neat, Hold two but can't hold three, And hours pass as moments On a bench beneath a tree. A shy glance quickly given, A bluish, a little stare, A sweet word softly uttered, A treasured look of hair. Some long talk in the twilight, Some walk beneath the moon; Oh! isn't it a pity, Such pleasures pass so soon? Beneath the swinging mistletoe, A sweet, but stolen kiss, You'll surely not acknowledge There's any harm in this. There's no use a king o'er it, With frowns instead of mirth, There always will be flirting, While girls are on the earth.

SANDIE'S REVENGE.

BY S. E. WINFIELD.

Alexander Symonds, otherwise "Sandie," was pulling his boat up harbor, and as he pulled, with long, even strokes that many a college crew might have envied, he looked with contempt and disdain at the lobster pots that filled the stern opposite him. "I don't wonder the 'Point' boys hate and despise me for being only a fish-boy, as Ned Varney calls me, but I don't see it is any of their business, anyway, what I am," he grumbled. "They wouldn't have minded so much if I hadn't beaten them last week in the race. Gee! wasn't Ned Varney mad?" and in his gloze at this remembrance Sandie gave such a pull that he nearly ran down a trim rowboat, and was recalled to his senses by a clear voice calling out, "Aho! there, Sandie, going to run me down?" and looking around Sandie beheld one of those "Point" boys, but one who had always been kind to him when the other boys were down on him. With one or two vigorous strokes the new-comer, Ray North, brought his boat alongside Sandie's, and holding the two boats together with one sunburned hand, he brought his merry tanned face to look squarely at Sandie's sulky one. "Now, Sandie," he said in a tone he tried to make severe, "what is all this row about? Ned says that you smashed into his boat last night, and carried away his boom and broke things up generally, and he threatens to make things lively for you. What did you do it for? What is the use of that sort of thing? I know you hate the boys and they have been mean to you, but there is a limit, you know, and you can't go round destroying property like that."

A New Enterprise.

Wishing to thank our patrons for the liberal patronage they have given us, we are building truck Barrels for Potatoes and other goods, and we are giving them at a special price. We think we have at good and well ventilated Barrels as well as on the market or it has been so pronounced by those who have used them. In lots of 1000 barrels 25 cents. As we have no idea of the demand we would thank those wishing to buy barrels to place their orders with us as early as possible so we may have prepared timber to build the barrels when needed. Those who do not give any notice of their order may not get them when they need them. We are also prepared to furnish cotton planters on today repair work on them or furnish any repairs. Also can furnish short notice any fittings for dwellings, or anything in our line of manufacturing. We would also call attention to our new style circuit breakers, which are made in our factory. Please address C. & CARROLL, Winterville N. C.

Luxury of Modern Railway Travel.

A recent trip over the Royal Blue line, New York to Washington and return, impressed the writer most strongly as to the wonderful possibilities regarding speed and luxury in railway travel in America. Having been in practically every State in the Union and over a large part of Europe we are prepared to feel ourselves acquainted with railway transportation throughout the world, and we are not surprised to recognize the splendid service furnished the public by the great railway lines of America, the writer believes that he is stating no exaggeration in saying that in his judgment there is not a service in the world, which taken as a whole, will compare with the famous Royal Blue Line, and that of the Central Railroad of New Jersey, the Philadelphia and Reading and Baltimore and Ohio Railroads. Not only is the time made between these points, via this line, the quickest ever made between New York and Washington, but with a road bed that is simply perfect, and an equipment so luxurious as to leave nothing to be desired, it furnishes the finest service of any line in the world. Every train via the Royal Blue Line is vestibuled from end to end, and consists not only of the most luxurious day and sleeping cars ever made by the Pullman Palace Car Company, but also of palatial day coaches far superior to the parlor cars run on any other line, and smoking compartments fitted in drawing room cars. Although the service is so superior and the time so quick, no train there are any extra charges. To those who desire accommodations in the drawing room or sleeping cars only the regular additional charges are asked, and on all of the trains vestibuled day coaches are run open to the public without any extra charges whatever. The dining car service attached to the principal trains is kept at the highest standard of character; the food is served on the table equal to the best hotels of the country. It is no wonder that the Royal Blue Line has attained phenomenal popularity, and it has not attained its present popularity for any other reason than that it deserved it. It is so incomparably superior to any service ever inaugurated between New York and Washington that it would be surprising if the public did not patronize it so liberally; certainly no one who wants the best should take any other, and when it is considered that for the finest service in the world no additional charges are required, it should receive, as it does, the endorsement and patronage of the public.—Christian Leader.

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A LIVE CAROLINA TOWN.

Rocky Mount in the Past and Present. Happenings Here and There as Gathered From our Exchanges. Bob Martin, John Payne and two other men or boys, of Davidson College, (all colored) went squirrel hunting Monday morning. A squirrel was found on a stump and John Payne fired at it with fatal effect to the squirrel and very nearly the same to Bob Martin. At last accounts from him the doctor had extracted three shots from his head. Some of them entered just above the left eye. Salisbury Herald: Saturday night about 9 o'clock "Jim" Woodruff, colored, had his throat severely cut with a razor while in a row with several colored fellows at the depot. They were strange negroes and had cursed his wife for ordering them out of the waiting room. Jim had one of them down punning him when another ran up with a razor, gashing him on the throat, cutting partly through his wind pipe. Several other gashes were made on his chest. Raleigh Chronicle: There are now forty veterans at the soldiers' home here. —There are now only about 140 convicts inside the penitentiary. —There was yesterday another phase in the suits against Littmann & Co., whose assignment has already been noted, and against whom Saturday there were suits in claim and delivery. The suits yesterday were for fraud, and were brought by H. C. Clafin & Co., of New York, and two or three other firms. Littmann was arrested. The bond was fixed at \$4,000. Goldsboro Argus: The death of Mr. Richard Raynor, one of the oldest citizens of our county, occurred at his home in Grantham township Sunday—just from old age. The old gentleman had been quite feeble for some years and on Saturday afternoon he said he felt sleepy and lay down to take a nap—and waked no more.—At their home near this city, on Sunday last, Mr. J. D. Denmark, better and more familiarly known as "Aunt Joe," and his estimable wife, celebrated the 48th anniversary of their marriage by a family dinner, at which there were fifty-eight children and grandchildren present. The absent ones numbered nineteen.—It is with sincere regret that we chronicle this morning the death of Mr. Will O. Collier of the late Col. George W. Collier and a brother of our esteemed townsman Capt. J. C. Collier which occurred at his home on his farm near old Everettsville, Saturday night, in the 40th year of his age.

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Don't ask me to back with blinds on. I am afraid to. Don't lend me to some blockhead that has less sense than I have. Don't think because I am a horse that iron, weeds and briars don't hurt my hay. Don't be so careless of my harness as to find a great sore on me before you attend to it. Don't run me down a steep hill, for if anything should give away I might break your neck. Don't whip me when I get frightened along the road, or I will expect it next time and maybe make trouble. Don't think because I go free under the whip I don't get tired. You would move up if under the whip. Don't put on my blind bridle so that it irritates my eyes, or so leave my forelock that it will be in my eyes. Don't hitch me to an iron post or railing when the mercury is below freezing. I need the skin on my tongue. Don't keep my stable very dark, for when I go out into the light my eyes are injured, especially if snow be on the ground. Don't leave me hitched in my stall at night with a big cob tied where I must lie down. I am tired and can't select a smooth place. Don't forget to file my teeth when they get jagged and I cannot chew my food. When I get lean it is a sign my teeth want filing. Don't make me drink ice-cold water, nor put a frosty bit in my mouth. Warm the bit by holding a half minute against my body. Don't compel me to eat more salt than I want mixing with my oats. I know better than any other animal how much I need. Don't say my wha unless you mean to carry you and the buggy and myself too. Try it yourself some time. Run up hill with a big load.

DEMOCRATIC PLATFORM.

The following is the State Democratic platform as announced by the State convention in assembly May 18th: Resolved 1. That the Democracy of North Carolina reaffirm the principles of the Democratic party, both State and National, and particularly favor the free coinage of silver and an increase of the currency, and the repeal of the internal revenue system. And we denounce the McKinley tariff bill as unjust to the consumers of the country, and leading to the formation of trusts, combines and monopolies which have oppressed the people; and especially do we denounce the unnecessary and burdensome increase in the tax on cotton ties and on tin, so largely used by the poorer portion of the people. We likewise denounce the iniquitous Force bill, which is not yet abandoned by the Republican party, but is being used as a measure to be adopted as soon as they gain control of the House of Representatives, the purpose and effect of which measure will be to establish a second period of reconstruction in the Southern States, to subvert the liberties of our people and inflame a new race antagonism and sectional animosities. 2. That we demand financial reform, and the enactment of laws that will remove the burdens of the people relative to the existing agricultural depression, and do full and ample justice to the farmers and laborers of our country. 3. That we demand the abolition of national banks, and the substituting of legal tender Treasury notes in lieu of national bank notes, issued in sufficient volume to do the business of the country on a cash system, regulating the amount needed on a per capita basis as the business interests of the country expand, and that all money issued by the government shall be legal tender in payment of debts, both public and private. 4. That we demand that Congress shall pass such laws as shall effectually prevent the dealing in futures of all agricultural and mechanical productions, provide such stringent system of procedure in trials as shall secure prompt conviction and imposing such penalties as shall secure most perfect compliance with the law. 5. That we demand the free and unlimited coinage of silver. 6. That we demand the passage of laws prohibiting the alien ownership of land, and that Congress take early steps to devise some plan to obtain all lands now owned by alien and foreign syndicates; and that all lands now held by railroads and other corporations, in excess of such as is actually needed by them, be reclaimed by the government and held for actual settlers only. 7. Believing in the doctrine of "equal rights to all and special privileges to none," we demand that taxation, National or State, shall not be used to build up one interest or class at the expense of another. We believe that the money of the country should be kept as much as possible in the hands of the people, and hence we demand that all revenues, National, State or county, shall be limited to the necessary expenses of the government, economically and honestly administered. 8. That Congress issue a sufficient amount of fractional paper currency to facilitate the exchange through the medium of the United States mail. 9. That the General Assembly pass such laws as will make the public school system more effective that the blessing of education may be extended to all the people of the State alike. 10. That we favor a graduated tax on incomes. A French Patriarch. St. Louis Republic. Adolph Zemer, who died April 2, in the district of Guizot, France, was in possession of documentary evidence which proved that he was born in 1742. When old Zemer first saw the light of day Washington was a lad of but ten tender years. Wellington was not born until twenty-seven years later, and Waterloo was seventy-three years in the future. Zemer's allotment of years exceeded those of all men of recent times except Henry Jenkins and "Old Parr," two English worthies, the former of whom lived to be 169 years old, the latter 153.

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ROCKY MOUNT IN THE PAST AND PRESENT.

ROCKY MOUNT, N. C., May 10, 1892. As everybody now-a-days in talking of Rocky Mount and its great industrial boom, I thought your readers would like to hear something of their rapidly growing and prosperous town, and will therefore write, giving you a short sketch of the advantages and prospects. Although, as most of your readers know Rocky Mount is quite an old town, the Rocky Mount of today is a very new one. Two or three years ago, this was a shabby town, and with about as much life in it as can be found in an ordinary county cemetery. To-day it is one of the busiest hustling towns in the whole South, and is only commencing its grand upward career of prosperity. Situated as it is in the heart of the golden leaf tobacco belt, surrounded on every side by the very best tobacco lands in America; lands all around it where men can grow rich in the trucking industry; with fine water-power and an unlimited supply to furnish manufacturers of various kinds give it a natural location of unsurpassed value. This extremely favorable location, in itself would be enough to build up a large and prosperous town, but when we take into consideration the fact that in a couple of years our tobacco market has grown from nothing into one of the great markets of the State, that our exceptional facilities for railroad transportation will make this a great tobacco manufacturing centre as well as a great tobacco market, it will be seen that the tobacco interest, added to our other resources would make Rocky Mount a prosperous city. There is still another interest and a great one, and that is the railroad interest of Rocky Mount. The building of the immense shops of the Atlantic Coast Line system, with the most complete railroad yards in the world, making this the distributing point of the A. C. L. system and also the end of division between Richmond and Florence, which will make it the residence of the conductors engineers and various other employees of the road, will add thousands to the population within a year, and will add immensely to the wealth of the town. Our railroad facilities are only equalled by the very largest cities. The railroads diverge from Rocky Mount, East, West, North and South giving every facility for bringing in the raw material and shipping out the manufactured article. We are only three and a half hours from Norfolk and Richmond, seven hours from Washington, eight hours from Baltimore and thirteen hours from New York, which gives our people direct and quick communication with the great centre of trade and culture, in America. There is no town in America which has a brighter future before it than Rocky Mount. The Atlantic Coast Line management are making it the great central point of their system. The writer was told but a day or two ago by a prominent railroad official, that the Coast Line management proposed to make Rocky Mount one of the greatest and most important railroad cities in the country. This much for our railroad interests. Next comes our great tobacco interest both as a leaf market and manufacturing centre. These with our other great manufacturing interests, and our location, backed as it is by one of the most profitable agricultural countries in the world assures Rocky Mount a glorious future. And with the new order of affairs, and the electricity of progress which now permeates the air of the South. I feel confident many of her sister towns of Eastern Carolina will share with her in the new era of prosperity.

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The University Commencement is said to have been the best it has had for years. There was certainly nothing lacking to make it enjoyable for all and the exercises were of such a character as to make every North Carolinian proud of our Institution. There was much regret at the absence of Mr. Carlisle. It very frequently happens of late years though that our big men fail to fill their engagements. Long live the University.

The Republican National Convention is now in session at Minneapolis in the city of Minneapolis. The friends of President Harrison and Secretary Blaine have been on the ground since last Friday. John C. New heads the delegations for President Harrison, and Mr. Clark, Chairman of the National Executive Committee is leading the forces for Secretary Blaine, both claim that their candidate will be nominated on the first ballot. Some very bitter things have passed between the friends of each and it now looks as if there might be ill feeling when before the Convention adjourns. The resignation of Secretary Blaine has given much enthusiasm to his supporters and it looks a little as if their might be a stampede for him. However, Harrison has a big following, and it may be that the "Plumed Knight" may yet be left in the race.

Presidential prospects at present seem to indicate that the tickets will be Cleveland and Blaine. Well Cleveland beat him before he can do it again.

The following correspondence explains itself:

DEPARTMENT OF STATE, WASHINGTON, June 11-12:45 P. M. To the President: I respectfully beg leave to submit my resignation of the office of Secretary of State of the United States to which I was appointed by you on the 5th of March, 1889.

The condition of public business in the Department of State justifies me in requesting that my resignation may be accepted immediately. I have the honor to be, Your obedient servant, JAMES G. BLAINE.

EXECUTIVE MANSION, WASHINGTON, June 4, 1892. To the Secretary of State: Your letter of this date, tendering your office of Secretary of State of the United States, has been received. The terms in which you state your desire are such as to leave me no choice but to accede to your wishes at once. Your resignation is therefore accepted.

Very respectfully yours, BLAINE HARRISON.

Above will be found a piece of news which seems to have surprised every one from the President down to the bottom. There was no indication given that Mr. Blaine even anticipated resigning. What makes it the more interesting is that it came just on the eve of the National Convention even after many of the delegates were on the ground. It is believed that this means that Mr. Blaine will accept if he gets the nomination for President. There is very evidently a little consternation among Republican everywhere just now.

GETTING IN THE WEST.

[Editorial Correspondence.]

ON THE ROAD, May 23, 1892. My last letter was dated at Trinidad, Col., but did not embrace all that had been traversed in our journey to that point.

After passing the flint hills of Kansas the way lay through a level plain country to the Colorado line. This plain country spread out for miles and miles each side the Arkansas river and is irrigated from that stream. The irrigation was wonderful and shows what human

ingenuity can do when pushed by necessity. Large ditches lead through every farm, from these smaller ditches and trenches for every hundred feet, say, carry the water through the flats that are cultivated and to the stock pastures. In some sections this irrigation is carried on by companies organized for that purpose to which every farmer supplied by them pays a certain amount per year. In other sections the farmers club together and do their own irrigating. Farming after this method, such a thing as a crop failure is unknown, as each farmer can make his land wet or dry as the occasion demands. There is seldom any rain on these plains.

Nearing Colorado the country becomes hilly. After passing a few smaller places La Junta (pronounced La Hunter) is reached, the point where the Santa Fe divides, one branch going out to the city of Denver. Being two hours from Trinidad, I telegraphed to our former townsman, Hon. S. S. Wallace, who has been living in that city for 19 years, that I would be glad to see him at the depot. Stepping off the train there it was a pleasure indeed to see both Mr. and Mrs. Wallace. I have spent no 10 minutes of the trip more delightfully than in talking to them. Mrs. Wallace did not appear to have grown a day older, but seemed as young and buoyant as when she first left her old home in Greenville. While the years had put a few grey streaks in Mr. Wallace's locks and whiskers, he seems to grow old but slowly and retains all his youthful vigor. He is a man of recognized ability in the local profession of his section, and I was glad to know he has met with much success and prosperity in his western home.

The city of Trinidad is in the midst of the mountains, and has an altitude of about 6,000 feet. Snow capped mountains are in full view and it was so cold here that people had fires in their houses all day. From Trinidad to the top of Raton mountain, a distance of 9 miles, the grade is 180 feet to the mile, and affords beautiful views in the ascent. In some places the engineering reminded me of the Western North Carolina road over the Blue Ridge from Round Knob to the Swannanna tunnel. Near the top of Raton mountain, which belongs to the Rocky range, the road passes through a tunnel three quarters of a mile long. This tunnel is 7,600 feet above sea level. Reaching such an elevation and in the midst of mountains covered with snow, the air is rarefied that it very sensibly affects the breathing of persons unaccustomed to it. I was told that persons with asthma sometimes suffer seriously in passing over this mountain. To make the steep grades in the ascent two, and frequently three locomotives are necessary. There were three to our train. The descent was easily and rapidly made with one.

On this route only the South Eastern portion of Colorado is traversed, and a few miles west of the Raton we were in New Mexico. At 8 o'clock a stop was made at Los Vegas a new city that has 10,000 population. Leaving this city our party took to their berths and during the night knew nothing of what was transpiring in the great desert surrounding. And perhaps it was fortunate that we all were oblivious of what occurred, otherwise somebody might have been a trifle frightened. Arising early next morning it was ascertained that the train had been considerably delayed during the night, at one time there being a dead stop of half an hour for sand to be removed from the railroad track. Across our path had passed what is called in the desert a sand storm, and the drifting sand had in some places covered the roadway. However, there was no trouble except the delay, and Saturday morning found us whirling along across the plains of New Mexico as merrily as ever.

And what a country this is! Stretching out both sides of the railroad was a vast sand barren that looked like nothing could live upon it. In most places there was scarcely any vegetation but scrubby sage brush. An interesting freak of nature was that along the journey across this arid desert the land slope was abruptly broken by great boulders and cliffs of rocks towering their heads like mountains on either side, that help a constantly changing panorama of views passing before the eyes of the traveler. Sometimes we were near these flying under their shadow or following a serpentine path around them, and again they were far away making a background to the misty distance. At some points these rocks were so smooth and perpendicular as to give them the exact appearance of a huge fort, or at times like a parapet wall. Strange as it may seem, and while at many places it looked like there was nothing for man or beast to exist upon, there were numerous

signs of habitation all along. The rocks, cliffs and caves showed many odd dwellings. Perhaps none of these were more interesting to our party than the Mexican adobe (house of mud.) These houses are built of very large brick which are made of mud and sundried. The houses are only from 7 to 10 feet high, and have the rock or bare ground for a floor. The roof is flat with just enough slant to run off water. This is made by laying poles across from the side walls, crossing these with boards and spreading over a lot of loose adobe. Under the effects of the sun this roof becomes perfectly hard and impervious to rain. The entrance to most of these houses was a small doorway at the ground, while now and then the entrance was made through a hole near the roof by means of a short ladder. The houses built on this latter plan were those of the early settlers, who so constructed them as a safeguard against any wild animals that came along.

There were frequently whole villages of these adobe houses and they looked queer indeed. At Laguna is an Indian settlement composed of this class of houses, only some of them were much larger than the rural ones. It was the first time on the journey that our party saw a real live Indian. In this reservation are 750 of the tribe known as the Pueblo Indian. As far back as when the Spaniards occupied this territory this tribe were known to be about half civilized, and have never shown themselves to be hostile. The government is interested in them and has established a mission school here. Many of the Indians here have learned our language and can read and write well. There is also a church at Laguna. When the train stopped there a number of squaws and maidens came out to sell curious articles of small earthware they had made to the passengers. They are usually liberally patronized and love our money. They were all in their native costume and were objects of much interest, though they would not converse with the passengers except to tell the price of any article inquired about.

But few men or boys were seen about the reservation, as they were out at work upon the small farms in the vicinity, there being a small area of very fertile land here. These Indians are quite expert farmers and raise much grain and vegetables. A young lady from Boston, who has taught a year and a half in this mission school, was on the train and it was my pleasure to hear her give much information about the Pueblo Indians and the school at Laguna.

In the western part of New Mexico, 128 miles from Albuquerque, the continental divide is crossed. This divide has an altitude of 7,000 feet, the water upon one side flowing to the Mississippi, and upon the other the Pacific slope. Upon the plains I saw immense mounds and beds of a black, rocky substance, that were pointed out as lava deposits. These lava beds and the great rock boulders along the plains are no doubt the results of volcanic disturbances and convulsions of nature in the years long gone.

Early in the afternoon of Saturday we passed over the line of New Mexico into Arizona, and here I will leave REFLECTOR readers until my next letter. D. J. W.

WASHINGTON LETTER.

From our Regular Correspondent.

WASHINGTON, D. C., June 3, 1892. The Blaine-Harrison rumpus has reached a stage dangerous alike to both of them, and many of the prominent Republicans who have left here for Minneapolis within the last 48 hours have expressed themselves as opposed to nominating either Blaine or Harrison. Secretary Foster is much chagrined at the booming effect of the "nigger" document, signed by Fred Douglass, Auditor Lynch, Register Bruce, and Congressman Cheatam, which was sent out at his suggestion through one of the press associations early this week for the purpose of injuring Harrison more than Blaine. It is among the probabilities that the Grant-Blaine fight may be duplicated at Minneapolis and a dark horse capture the nomination.

The Harrison men are making desperate efforts to get Blaine to announce that he will not accept if nominated, and is an inducement, it is said that Mr. Harrison has offered to nominate his son-in-law, Col. Coppinger, to the vacancy made by the retirement of Brigadier General David S. Stanley, a few days ago. Mr. Blaine has been very anxious to get Col. Coppinger promoted, and one of the reasons for his late coolness towards Mr. Harrison was his failure to secure the last vacancy for him, but he is in the snags now and the offer may have no effect. Senator Tappan paid his respects

to the administration, yesterday, in a speech criticizing the action of the President in issuing retaliatory proclamations against Hayti, Columbia and Venezuela because of their failure to make reciprocity agreements with us. The House has again run upon the "no quorum" snag, and a resolution revoking all leaves of absence except on account of sickness was adopted early in the week and the Sergeant-at-Arms has run up a big bill telegraphing to absentees. In spite of all this it is not believed that it will be possible to keep a quorum together for two days at a time during the remainder of this month. The cause is evident. This is a national convention month. At least half of the Republican members of the House are now at Minneapolis, or on the way there, and when they return, which will not be much before the middle of the month, about the same percentage of Democrats will go to Chicago, remaining away from Washington at least a week. Congressmen are only human, and it is perfectly natural that they should desire to aid in the selection of the national ticket of their party.

THE TEACHERS ASSEMBLY.

Programme of the Next Annual Session.

The Ninth Annual Session of the above Assembly will convene in Morehead, N. C. commencing June 21st and continuing through to July 4th. The work of the Assembly is annually growing in interest and value to the teachers of our State, and to its influence is largely due the general prosperity which is now being enjoyed by the schools throughout our borders. Its delightful midsummer meetings in the teachers' own "home by the sea," at Morehead City, bringing together many thousands of teachers and their friends for most profitable educational work and in charming social intercourse, have given a new encouragement and inspiration to the teachers and induced a stronger support and appreciation of the teachers work among those who patronize the schools. And the enjoyments and benefits which the teachers and friends of education in North Carolina are to derive from the Teachers' Assembly are yet but just begun to be realized. Besides the intellectual and social enjoyments of the Teachers' Assembly, the physical benefits which are derived from the trip cannot be over-estimated. There is nothing which can be so completely and effectually restore strength and energy to thoroughly exhausted nature as the rest and recreation of a sojourn at the seashore. The pure salt air, the plunge in the splendid surf, the excitement of fishing and sailing and the inspiration of the presence of the mighty ocean soon make us forget the fatigue of the school room, and every hard-worked teacher finds the recuperation so greatly needed. There is no place in the United States so valuable to the North Carolina teacher as the sessions of the Teachers' Assembly. The Executive Committee has been hard at work to prepare a programme for the coming session which shall be of the greatest possible interest and benefit to the teachers who desire to make steady progress in their work. To this end the very highest ability among the profession in North Carolina has been placed at the disposal of the committee for selection, and liberal use has been made of this array of talent, ability and experience.

The work of the session will be properly classified and assigned to special days for each department. Among the days so far appointed are, "Popular Education," "Classical," "Academical," "County Superintendents," "English Literature," "Modern Languages," "Temperance" and "General History." Each day is in the charge of a special committee, which will arrange an excellent programme of live and interesting subjects with the very best of our popular speakers to present them.

In addition to this regular work, there will be two public entertainments and a special course of instruction to teachers, by the inimitable "Frank Beard," who, as a popular and witty "Chalk Artist" and lecturer, has no equal in America. His instruction will have special reference to the use of the blackboard in the school and Sunday-school, by every teacher, in rapidly illustrating important lessons and information. Engagements have also been made with Rev. Thomas Dixon, Jr., who is, perhaps, the most popular and fascinating platform speaker in this country, and with the University Glee Club, whose unique entertainments never fail to charm an audience.

Every feature of the programme is entirely free to all persons who hold Certificates of Membership in the Teachers' Assembly. The committee has also secured lectures from some of the most prominent educators of the country and specially pleased will the

teachers be to meet Dr. Edward S. Joyner, of the University of South Carolina; Hon. Frank M. Smith of the University of Tennessee; Hon. Josiah H. Shiin, of State Superintendent of Arkansas; Mr. T. F. Donnelly, of New York, author of "Barnes' Primary History of the United States," Mrs. Idalia G. Myers, of Washington, D. C., and others. There will also be an Inter-Collegiate Oratorical Contest for the Assembly gold medal and an Instrumental Music Contest by pupils from the female schools of the State. Teachers holding certificates can obtain board for \$1 per day. The railroad rate is one and a half cent per mile each way.

Notice to Creditors.

The Judge of Probate of Pitt county having issued Letters of Administration to the undersigned, on the 10th day of May, 1892, on the estate of G. W. Johnston, deceased, notice is hereby given to all persons indebted to the estate to make payment to the undersigned, and to all creditors to file claims to present their claims properly authenticated to the undersigned within twelve months after the date of this notice, or this notice will be pleaded in bar of their recovery. F. G. JAMES, Adm'r of the estate of G. W. Johnston. This 10th day of May, 1892.

Land Sale.

By virtue of a decree of the Superior Court of Pitt county, made at January term, 1892, in a certain action therein pending, entitled Geo. B. Wright, Executor, et al., versus Samuel Moore, adm'r of McG. Manning, et al., will on Monday, June 13th, 1892, be sold at public sale before the Court House door in Greenville, to the highest bidder for cash, a certain tract of land in Bethel township, Pitt county, adjoining the Robertson farm, Jesse Briley and others, containing eight hundred (800) acres, and being the tract of land on which McG. Manning lived.

ALEX. L. BLOW, Commissioner. Greenville, N. C., May 11th, 1892.

TOWN TREASURERS REPORT.

Report of J. R. Moye, Treasurer of the town of Greenville:

Table with columns for date, description, and amount. Includes entries for May 10, 11, 12, 13, 14, 15, 16, 17, 18, 19, 20, 21, 22, 23, 24, 25, 26, 27, 28, 29, 30, 31, 1891, and 1892.

WHITE CEMETERY FUNDS.

1891. May 19 Am't rec'd of former treasurer \$ 7 67

Aug 29 Am't rec'd of John L. Daniel 1st Lot No 17 12 50

Oct 7 Am't rec'd of Mrs M M Moore 1st Lot No 11 12 50

\$32 67

By order No 1 \$1 25

By order No 2 45

By order No 3 2 90

Balance on hand and due the cemetery fund \$28 07

Approved by W. S. RAWLS, J. R. MOYE, S. T. HOOKER, Com.

Report of W. H. Harrington, tax collector for the town of Greenville, N. C., for the year ending May 10, 1892:

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To am't tax prop-erty and pole \$132 41

By fire company ex-emption 44 63

By fire company list 44 63

By property for the town 12 88

To am't license tax 396 00

To am't dog tax 38 00

To am't purchase tax collected 126 04

By 5 per cent on \$101.10 50 55

By 5 per cent on \$14 70 73 50

By am't pd treasurer \$1872 95 \$1872 96

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Mrs. M. D. HIGGS, GREENVILLE, N. C.

Table with columns for item and price. Includes items like J. T. Smith police services, J. R. Moye work on streets, J. B. Cherry & Co merchandise, etc.

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Flows of the improved makes, Trunks, Valises, Floor Matting, Oil Cloth, Children's Carriages, and the largest and best selected stock of FURNITURE ever kept in our town. When in need of anything in our various line try us.

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NOTIONS,

BOOTS AND SHOES

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THE REFLECTOR.

Local Reflections.

Schools out. Tarboro has a Carr club. The grape crop is all safe. Strawberries are about gone. This is fine ice cream weather. Onions are strong enough to walk. Days length 14 hours and 13 minutes. One can almost see the crops growing. The rain Sunday was a welcome visitor. Spring chickens! My! Roost too high. How lovely the magnolias now appear. Cotton Seed Meal for sale at the Old Brick Store.

Eggs are quoted here now at ten cents per dozen. For Reapers, Mowers and Binders see R. L. Humber. There were sixteen graduates of the University. The New Home Sewing Machines for \$35 at Brown Bros. Good rains are reported from all over the county. McCormick Mower and Rake \$62.00 by R. L. Humber.

There was quite a crowd of farmers in town Monday. Cheap Irish Potatoes 20 cents a peck at the Old Brick Store. The net gain of daylight this month is eight minutes. There will be an excursion from Washington to-day. Try Cardenas, the best 5 cent smoke, at Reflector Book Store. Mad dogs are reported numerous in Greene county. On our first page will be found a write-up of Rocky Mount. The McCormick Reaper and Binder for \$62 at R. L. Humber's. And now thermometers are beginning to look up in this world. Cash given for Produce, Hides, Eggs and Furs at the Old Brick Store.

The Greenville base ball club are doing some fine practicing now. Mr. Henry Blow has peaches in his garden that are very near ripe. The New Home Sewing Machines and all parts at Brown Bros. Black and whortle berries appear to be scarce for this time of the year. The McCormick leads the world, Mower and Rake \$62.00 at R. L. Humber's. Mr. B. S. Sheppard is now ready to list your taxes. Don't procrastinate. S. E. Pender & Co. have erected a warehouse in the rear of their store. Cheapest Furniture, Bedsteads and Mattresses at the Old Brick Store.

Our Job office continues to turn out fine work. When you have any give us a call. In these days of house cleaning the moth in the hand is worth two in the carpet. JUST IN—D. M. Terry & Co's new Garden Seed, at the Old Brick Store. The Confederate Soldiers Home in Raleigh has forty inmates and is in need of funds. "McCormick" the by-word for Reapers, Mowers and Binders, at R. L. Humber's. Three ladies were initiated in the Masonic Daughters of Rebecca last Thursday night. Boss Lunch Milk Biscuit will appease your appetite when nothing else will. At the Old Brick Store. Monday was Federal decoration day and was duly celebrated in many parts of the State. The fall doors in Kinston are wide open says the Free Press for the first time in several years. A RARE BARGAIN—A stylish, double-horse, two-seat Phaeton, with side fenders, by Mrs. L. C. King. The commencement exercises of the Greenville Male and Female School will take place to-night. A very interesting communication appears on the outside of this issue taken from the Dunn Courier. Have you seen that big lot of Cook Stoves at D. D. Haskett's? and ain't they cheap? \$9.00 for a good Cook Stove and outfit. New subscribers still pouring in; the people want the news. From now until after the election for 50 cents. The weather forecast for June says that generally fair weather will prevail, with occasional gales off the coast of the United States. AUCTION SALE—I will sell at Auction every Saturday, until further notice, beginning at three o'clock, at my store, my ENTIRE STOCK of Hardware. Come one, come all. M. J. LATHAM. To tighten cane-seat chairs turn up the chair-bottom and wash the cane-work with soapy water and a soft-cloth. Let it dry in the air and it will be firm as when new, provided the cane has not been broken. Beginning last Tuesday the freight trains on our road were changed from tri-weekly to daily. This is made necessary on account of the increase of traffic over the line. There was quite a lively debate last Friday night in the Court House between several on the theme, "Which is the Most Destructive War or Intemperance?" The judges decided in favor of war. Davis School closed yesterday with appropriate exercises. Hon. R. A. Doughton, nominee for Lieutenant Governor, delivered the annual address. The music was furnished by the Davis Cadet band. POSITIVELY AT COST.—Hardware. I am offering my entire stock of Hardware at and below cost to close it out, consisting of Farming Implements, Tools, Bolts, Building Material and all other goods usually kept in a Hardware Store. Come and buy while goods are cheap. I will sell the whole stock in a lump at one half cost. Come to see me. M. J. LATHAM.

Personal.

Miss Annie Randolph is sick. Mr. W. H. Allen left for Keeley Institute last week. Miss Rosalind Rountree is reported to be on the sick list. Rev. E. C. Glenn, of Elm City, was on our streets Monday. Miss Nannie Moyer, of Kinston, is visiting Miss Lula White. Mr. V. L. Stephens and family of Wilson, are visiting their parents. We were pleased to see Rev. R. B. John on our streets yesterday. Our boss will return Thursday night by the way of Washington City. Prof. John Duckett and little son, Alf, were on our streets last week. Mr. Edmund Alexander and family passed through here on last Friday. The editor of the Watch-Tower preached at Mt. Pleasant last Sunday morning. Misses Ada and Mattie Hearne returned home last Friday from the Littleton Female College. Mrs. R. H. Home accompanied by Miss Emma Tatt yesterday morning for Columbus, Ohio. Mr. C. M. Bernard left for Minneapolis last week as a delegate to the National Republican Convention. Mr. R. J. Cobb was appointed one of the Assistant Marshals at the coming State Fair, which takes place October 1st. Mr. R. M. Hearne left last Saturday to assume charge at Washington of the New Line of steamers that will sail on the Tar.

Rev. J. N. H. Summerell will hold communion services at Elliott's Hall Sunday morning at 11 o'clock. The public invited. Mr. Charles A. Gough, of Toronto, Canada, arrived in Greenville last week. He is here on a visit to his friends and will remain a few weeks. Messrs. F. C. Harding, Harry Whedbee and W. F. Harding, of the University, and W. A. B. Hearne, of Trinity College returned home last week. Misses Hortense Forbes, Estelle Williams and Annie Perkins left Monday morning for Raleigh to attend the Commencement exercises of St. Mary's. Rev. A. D. Hunter and family left Monday morning for Wake county to spend a while. Mr. Hunter will take in Wake Forest Commencement before his return. We were pleased to have a call from that jolly traveling representative, Mr. B. B. Crump, of the Richmond Times. He is "one of the finest," and we will be glad to see his ever welcome presence again. Mr. F. C. Harding who distinguished himself at the recent Commencement of the University has been invited to deliver an address at the picnic held in connection with the closing exercises of Hamilton Institute, on Wednesday, June 13th. Mr. Andrew Joyner gave a very interesting lecture in the Court House on last Sunday evening on the disease caused by the use of stimulating drink. His audience was a large one, a great many ladies were present and everybody enjoyed it. Mr. E. J. Hocutt, of Wilmington, a very pleasant young man, is another addition to the Coast Line office here. We extend a hearty welcome to him.—Washington Gazette.

Mr. Hocutt was in the office here for quite a while and many of us will remember him. We wish him luck in his new quarters. Mr. F. C. Harding, of Greenville, a philosopher, spoke on "The Conflict of Forces." He said that action and reaction is one of nature's strongest laws. Great movements in all ages, the greatest revolutions and reformations in politics, religion or society have never been the results of the steady and un molested growth of a single principle, but were the results of conflicting forces, the clash of opinions and the contest of opposing parties. The speech was admirably delivered and was beautiful in diction as well as strong and striking in thought.—Raleigh News and Observer.

On account of the exercises at the Institute on Wednesday night there will be no prayer meeting at either the Methodist or Baptist churches. Chickens are chickens now. They retail at 15 cents for a little fowl but as big as your fist with the egg shell sticking to his wings. Col. E. D. Hall, of Wilmington, has been appointed Major-General of the North Carolina Division of United Confederate Veterans. The female school under the principalship of Miss Lillie Nicholson closed about two weeks ago and she returned to her home. She will not teach the next session but Mrs. V. L. Pendleton has consented to take charge. Mrs. Pendleton is the sister of Mrs. Adelaide Johnson and is well-known here. She is now conducting a school in Warrenton and the REFLECTOR returns thanks for an invitation to attend the commencement exercises that took place last Friday. District Conference. The District Conference for Washington District will be held at Columbia, N. C., July 28th, and embrace the 5th Sabbath. Delegates: J. B. Cherry, L. H. Pender, T. J. Jarvis, A. B. Ellington. Alternates: D. D. Haskett, Jonathan White, C. A. White, B. F. Patrick. B. B. JOHN, P. P. D. D. HASKETT, Sec. pro tem.

Marriage License. The following marriage licenses were issued for the month of May: Whites—Walter Harrell and Nora H. Joyner, J. W. Braxton and Sallie Letchworth, Samuel Taylor and Isha A. Daniel, Joseph Long and Ida Oliver, J. H. Smith and Kate R. Seawell, W. T. Gray and Lucy Rogerson. Colored—Elias Bunn and Flora Taylor, Annison Rayman and Manerva Harper, Thomas Hunter and Chelsin Hunter, Ephraim Johnson and Temple Gorham, John Shivers and Sarah Fleming. **Excuses.** LA GRANGE, N. C., Sept. 20. Messrs. J. E. Emerson, Kittrell, N. C. Dear Madam,—I have used your valuable Remedy with satisfactory results in a very severe case of Eczema. It is highly important to use the Wash in connection with the Remedy. Wishing that success may attend you in your noble undertaking, I am, Respectfully, Mrs. THELMA DILLON.

Board of Magistrates.

The Magistrates of the county met Monday and made the tax levy for the year 1892. The levy is the same as last year. The old Board of Commissioners was re-elected with the exception of C. V. Newton, Jesse Smith elected in his stead. At a joint meeting of the Magistrates and Commissioners, Geo. B. King, Esq., was elected to the office of County Superintendent of Public Instruction. Mr. King is eminently qualified for the office, has always manifested a lively interest in all the educational enterprises of the county and will make an efficient Superintendent.

New Warehouse. And Greenville is to have another Tobacco Warehouse. It is an assured fact. Carpenters and bricklayers all been employed and the warehouse will be ready for the sale of the golden leaf for the present year's crop. Young men of the prime leaders of it and with them the word "fail" is not known. It is to be larger than the present one with a three-story prize house in connection. The building will be well ventilated with large drive ways and everything will be done for the convenience of the patrons. Work will commence next week. The warehouse will be 120x50 feet and the prize house will be 40x30 feet. Our young friends, O. L. Joyner and Alex. Heilbronner, are the proprietors, and with such as them behind it, it will be pushed on to an early completion. The REFLECTOR offers three cheers and a tiger for the new warehouse.

Weather for June. Just what kind of weather we may expect in June is indicated to a certain extent by the record of observations for that month taken during a period of 21 years past: The normal temperature of the month is 76 deg.; the warmest June was that of 1850, when the average was 80 deg.; the coldest was the June of 1878 with an average of 73 deg.; the highest temperature in the month was 100 deg., on the 15th, 1880; lowest temperature 51 deg., on the 2nd, in 1884; the average rainfall has been 5.92 inches; average number of days on which rain fell 12; greatest rainfall 12.44 inches in 1876; least rainfall 2.87 in 1872; greatest amount of rainfall in any 24 consecutive hours was 7.03 inches on June 30th, 1876; the average number of cloudless days is 9; partly cloudy 13; cloudy 8; the prevailing winds have been from the southwest, the average hourly velocity 7 miles, and the highest 40 miles from the north, June 21st, 1891.

Closing Exercises of Farmville Institute. The closing exercises of this excellent school under the management of its talented principal, Prof. W. J. B. Dail, were held on the 2nd and 3rd inst., and reflects much credit upon its pupils, its principal, the county and State. Prof. Dail is a model modern teacher, one our State may well be proud to claim. Like marble in the quarry he arose from ordinary farm life in Greene county, determined to prepare himself for usefulness, entered the State University where he availed himself of every opportunity of improvement. He is yet scarcely passed mature age, but studious and energetic; as he is our country may expect great good from his labors in the broad field of education. Among his pupils we noticed with special pride the oratorical talent of J. A. Hughes, a young man of not more than twenty years of age. Mr. Hughes' subject on this occasion was, "Our Country—Past, Present and Future," which he handled with masterly power for one of his age and opportunities. With application he would soon win laurels that only favor one's own. Among the girls Miss Mamie King, subject, "Rock of Ages" in song and soliloquy, was simply beautiful and impressive as she represented the morning, noon and evening of life in her fresh young beauty. The entire audience was held in profound silence. It is enough to say the annual address was delivered by our beloved patriot and distinguished statesman, T. J. Jarvis. While it was not our fortune to hear the address we know it was both entertaining and instructive. We heard an old citizen say it was the best speech ever delivered in Farmville, and we were not surprised. The whole occasion was one of perfect success and pleasure. II. Farmville, N. C., June 6th, 1892.

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Refreshing Retreats. Summer days are fast approaching and now is the time that excursionists, pleasure-seekers and sportsmen should figure out a route for their summer vacations. In doing so, the delightfully cool summer and fishing resorts located along the Wisconsin Central Lines come vividly to view. Among them are: Fox Lake, Wisconsin, Lake Villa, Ill., Mulwongon, Waukesha, Cedar Lake, Neenah, Waupaca, Field, Butternut and Ashland, Wis. Wisconsin lies within the last 50 years beyond the center of attraction for more pleasure-seekers, hunters and fishermen than any other State in the Union, and such vast increases the desire to again see the charming landscapes, breathe the balmy fragrance that is a part of the invigorating atmosphere, wander through the seclusion of statey pine and hemlock speckled beauties with a hand made fly. For pamphlets containing valuable information, etc., apply to J. E. Rogers, D. F. Ayer, W. C. Lyon, Philadelphia, Pa., or Geo. C. Fouts, General Passenger and Ticket Agent, Chicago, Ill.

CLOSING EXERCISES

The closing exercise of Greenville Male Academy will take place on Friday night, June 10th, and not on the 9th as stated in the last issue of the REFLECTOR. The change was made necessary on account of the sickness of the Principal. We would be pleased to see every one present who desires to attend, and, especially, every parent in Pitt county who feel an interest in the education of his sons. It will be necessary that the exercises commence promptly at 8 o'clock. The Court House bell will be rung at 7:45 o'clock and this will notify you that the exercises will commence in fifteen minutes. We respectfully ask the ladies in town to have supper earlier that evening so that everybody may be present promptly at 8 o'clock. We kindly ask the youngmen to call for the young ladies at 7:45 o'clock—of course they will be ready. Young ladies, if your beaux or not present at the above named time please leave a card stating that you will meet them at the Opera House. The following youngmen have been elected Marshals by the students of the Academy: Mr. R. C. Flanagan, Chief, Messrs. R. M. Moyer, D. O. James, A. D. Johnson and C. E. Bussess Assistants. These young men will take great pleasure in giving all of you who come early the best seats in the house, and those who come later the best they can get. W. H. RAGSDALE, Prin. There will be a match game of baseball in the afternoon at 4 o'clock.

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For the balance of the season we will sell our Spring Goods at greatly reduced prices, such as Dress Goods, Bleached and Unbleached Domestic, Sheetings, Pant Goods, White Goods, Clothing, Hats, &c.

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Connecting at Norfolk with—
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At Newbern with
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The Tar River Steamers, N. C.
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S. C. Whitehurst, at Beaufort Island.
J. J. Cherry, at Greenville, N. C.

The first steamer will leave Norfolk on Monday, May 16th, from wharf located on Water street, (adjointing Clyde Line) and between the piers of the Clyde Line and Old Dominion Steamship Co. H. A. BOURNE, V. P. & G. M., Old Dominion S. Co. W. P. CLYDE & CO., Agents, Norfolk, Va., May 14th, 1892.

The undersigned having been appointed agent of the above New Line at this point, most cordially thanks his many friends and patrons for the liberal patronage they have heretofore given him, and most respectfully asks a continuance of the same.

J. J. CHERRY, Agent New Line. Greenville, N. C., May 16th, 1892.

TO THE PUBLIC.

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Sheet Iron Flues for Curing Tobacco can be had of us during the months of June, July and August. We now have our order in at the Mills for Elbow Iron and our order for Pipe Iron will be placed a little later. It is very important for us to have your orders for Flues at once so we can place our order for iron early, there may be some delay in getting it. Our terms on Flues will be invariably cash-on-delivery, and the price 5 1/2 cents per pound. We can make Phelps Patent or any other kind you may order! Our factory is opposite Dr. Wooten's Drugstore.

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Car load White Seed Oats. 25 Barrels Poto Rico Molasses.
100 Cases Star Lye. 25 Barrels Stick Candy.
100 Cases Horsford's Broom Powders. 25 Barrels Gail & Ax Snuff.
100 Cases Soap. 25 Barrels Railroad Mills Snuff.
100 Cases Brandy Cherries and Peaches. 25 Barrels P. Lorillard's Snuff.
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"This," he reflected, "is too much. Love, that has hitherto abused me,

has abandoned me, and now it has become my benefactor. I have languished and thirsted for a chance to play that part, and now it has come. Sir, you are my benefactor."

"Don't thank me, my daughter insisted upon it."

Poor Phineas was overcome. He gasped two or three times, and then spoke:

"Mademoiselle, I cannot tell you of my gratitude; I will show it in my acting."

"Well," said Francis, "go and dress while I go and make an apology to the audience."

Phineas smiled sarcastically as he walked away. Mr. Francis went before the curtain after the overture and said:

"Ladies and Gentlemen—It is with great regret that I announce the sudden illness of Mr. Montrose. His part will be taken at half an hour's notice by Mr. Gummy, for whom I bespeak the kind consideration of the audience."

Mr. Francis retired amid distinct murmurs of disapproval.

The curtain arose, Rodrigo, Brabantio and Iago went through their scene. Then Iago and Othello made their appearance. A murmur of surprise and approval ran through the house. Phineas had thrown his whole soul into his makup. He looked the part to perfection. But the actors standing in the wings were smiling in anticipation of the coming fiasco. Phineas played his opening scenes in much the same manner as he had previously played Ludovico. Francis breathed more freely. His part was to play a mighty weak Othello, thought he, "but I don't believe they'll give him."

Matters went on smoothly until Phineas came to the speech in his narrative to the duke. Up to that time he had felt as one in a dream. The old, familiar words suddenly awakened him to a sense of his situation.

Her father loved me oft invited me.

That line avok the slumbering fire in Phineas Gummy's soul. He saw Virginia Francis standing in the entrance, watching him. He remembered Forrester. He began to act. He finished the speech amid a spontaneous burst of applause.

From that moment he played Othello as he had never played before. He was in his element. The part even before the third act he and Virginia were enthusiastically called back to the curtain. Francis stood astounded in the prompt entrance. His daughter ran to him and threw her arms about his neck.

"Papa!" she cried; "I have never played Desdemona as I am playing her tonight; I never had such an Othello!"

The enthusiasm of the house increased. Phineas was improving in every act. The murder scene was electric. The curtain fell, and again Phineas led the glowing Virginia to the footlights.

When they had left the stage she looked at him with delight and wonder in her eyes.

"Oh, you're an angel!" she exclaimed. "You are simply great."

Phineas sank down into a chair and burst into a flood of tears.

"At last," he sobbed; "after fourteen years. Mademoiselle, you are the ideal Desdemona!"

Arising, he offered her his hand, and begged permission to lead her to the dressing room. She assented. At the door he paused and said:

"Miss Francis, I have had a most unusual opportunity to play Othello. I can assure you that I have never played it with you all the rest of my life."

"And I could play Desdemona," she answered, "with you as Othello, all the rest of my life."

"Then let us do so," he said. "I love you. Marry me and we'll play the piece around the world."

"Ever since I first saw you, Othello has been only a secondary passion. Could you learn to love me?"

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