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MR CANNON'S GOOD SENSE.

Speaker's Wisdom in Refusing Proffer

of Vice Presidential Honors.

Too much credit cannot be given to

ality are commanding. We do not

## Thi Itlessenger.

#### REV. DR. ROBERT STRANGE.

No event in church circles has in years excited more interest in eastern North Carolina than the election of a bishop coadjutor for the diocese of East Carolina of the Episcopal church. The members of this church in this diocese have been stirred up over this matter for several months, and, because of the fact that the friends of Dr. Robert Strange were urging him for the office, there has been great interest in the election among persons of other denominations. That the long contest ended yesterday in the choice of Dr. Strange was a cause of general rejoicing in our city. When the news got abroad that the council had elected Dr. Strange, Methodists, Baptists, Presbyterians, and people who did not belong to any church expressed their gratification at the result. Men of all denominations would stop each other on the streets and say: "Have you heard tre good news?" or "Aren't you glad to hear that Dr. Strange is elected bishop?" We make the assertion without fear of contradiction that there is no man in North Carolina who is held in higher esteem or more universally respected and beloved by all classes of people who have his personal acquaintance than Rev. Robert Strange. A gentleman of sweet disposition and kindly manners, a true Christian, a friend and helper of the needy and afflicted, an eloquent preacher, he is well fitted for the exalted position in his church to which he has been called. He will be welcomed back to his old home-the place of his birth and where he spent so many years of his life-by the people without regard to church affiliations.

The Messenger congratulates the Episcopal church of this diocese on its selection of a bishop coadjutor.

#### STATE BOND COMPROMISES.

Since the decision of the federal supreme court on the now famous South Dakota bond suit against the tional ticket. Perhaps he thought that near the numerical strength of either

#### MR. BRYAN'S GREAT MISTAKE. For some time Mr. Bryan has been

mentioning in The Commoner the names of men who he thought would make suitable candidates for the presidency on the democratic ticket, but repeated requests from all parts of the country have failed to bring from him a declaration of his choice for that position until within the last few days. Now he comes to the front with his choice. This is Judge Reagan, of Texas. On this matter The Charlotte Observer says: Being repeatedly asked to name the man he considers suitable for the democratic nomination for president, Mr Bryan brings out Judge Reagan, o Texas, of whom The Mobile Register says he was a "member of the Texas secession convention, representative in the Confederate congress, postmaster general in Mr. Davis' cabinet, prisoner with Mr. Davis in a federal fortress; but that is not all: Judge Reagan will be 84 years old next October, and is wholly incapable of making a campaign if nominated." As a matter of fact, his age is the best, if not the only good, reason why Judge Reagan should not be considered as a canddate, but taken as a whole the improbability involved is doubtless what caused Mr. Bryan to name him. mocracy.

As stated above, Judge Reagan is 84 years old. This fact alone would exclude his being the nominee of the democratic or any other party for presidential candidate. Mr. Bryan in making this statement shows more clearly than in any other thing he has ever said or done that he is not acting sincerely with the democrats. Mr. Bryan knows well that no man in the south stands higher or has a larger share of the regard and respect of the southern people, but he knew full well when he made this statement that Judge Reagan's nomination was an impossibility. He was trifling with the sentiments of the southern people; his conduct almost amounts to bringing ridicule upon the last survivor of the cabinet officers of the Confederacy. We cannot understand why Mr. Bryan should have made this declaration unless he wished to cast a slur upon those southern people who

think that the time has come when the south should be represented on the na- at sea have been and even any where

such leaders in the natural course of

events he would be able to secure in

an indirect way the position which he

knew he could not attain by a direct

vote of the people. Under any view of

the case the south does not feel com-

plimented by Mr. Bryan's suggestion,

for is is sure there is no sincerity in

it. While the old confederates would

do anything in reason to show their

regard and veneration for Judge Rea-

gan they would not be willing, if they

could, to impose upon him the arduous

labors of a presidential campaign a

his time of life. Mr. Brvan shot wide

of the mark this time. The south has

no feeling of gratitude to him for his

suggestion which it holds to be insen-

In response to the personal demands

of Mr. C. G. Peebles, an attorney from

Jackson, Northampton county, who was

in this city Monday, the members of

the local bar made affidavits regarding

his uncle's (Judge R. B. Peebles) be

havior while holding court here, setting

forth the facts that at both terms he

gave entire satisfaction to the legal

fraternity, having presided with digni-

ty, ability and impartiality.-Goldsbord

We take it that the editor of The

Headlight used the word "demand"

unthoughtedly in the above article. In

the haste of preparing copy he surely

used this word where he intended to

convey the idea that Judge Peebles'

representatives had requested the tes-

suppose that the judge would have

The following paragraph from The

"Discussing the roadbed it finds that

in excellent shape, but the ties in many

The road bed is "in excellent shape'

cere.

Headlight.

While Tom Johnson did not seem to have control of the democratic state convention in Ohio he had weight enough to have his two-cent fare on street cars idea embodied in the platform. While the delegation to the na-Speaker Cannon for his peremtory retional-convention was not instructed fusal to be a candidate for Vice President. If the Republican machine it is evident that under the unit rule thinks it could afford to have him adopted the vote of that state will be transferred from the House, where he cast for Judge Parker. While Mr. Hearst is useful, to the Vice Presidency, where will have a pretty good following at he would be of comparatively little use, the country cannot afford it. Even if that convention we do not think it will the Republicans were to lose the House be large enough to cause trouble to the and Cannon thereby lose the Speaker. democrats who wish to nominate a conship, he could not wisely be spared from servative candidate. Mr. Hearst has the body where his knowledge of legislation and the power of his persongotten about all the strength he will be able to develop while Judge Parker is intend underrating the office of Vice adding to his forces with the holding of each state convention. There effort made in some quarters to resurrect the Cleveland boom. We do not think this will amount to anything. While Mr. Cleveland was our first choice we have long ago realized the futility of attempting his nomination and have given unqualified allegiance to Judge

President, but it is a place of insignificant influence upon legislation, and legislation is the business which "Uncle Joe" understands. Nor is the Vice President a person who has power in the administration; especially a Vice President with the self-confident and masterful Roosevelt in the White House will be a practical nonentity in politics. Senators who have a wholesome fear that the proper prerogatives of the House of Representatives will Parker as our second choice because we be asserted by Cannon and the lordly presumption of the Senate be held in believe him to be the most available check may wish to make Cannon impoman the democrats could nominate and tent, but no one else has any good because we are satisfied with his decause to wish it. To put Cannon on the ticket with Roosevelt would be to sacrflice a statesman of superior power for good to the exigency of a party The report of the attempt of the Japasituation. There are many respectable nese to storm Port Arthur bears conrepublicans who can do as much service in the Vice President's office as tradiction upon its face. The idea that anywhere else. One of these may be the storming party lost fifteen thoudrafted without doing the country sand soldiers in the attempt is absurd. harm. For Schuyler Colfax to go The Russians could not have killed from the speakership to the Vice President's office was a promotion. It that many of the enemy if the latter would be different in the case of Canhad stood up in solid ranks and made non and, fortunately, he knows it .-

Boston Herald.

REVOLUTIONISTS WIN BATTLE

In a Fight at Esperanza, the Dominican Troops Were Defeated.

Cape Haitien, May 26 .- A serious battle was fought to-day between the Dominican troops and the revolutionists at Esperanza, on the road from Monte Christi to Santiago, near Mao. The revolutionists were victorious. Many were killed or wounded on both sides.

General Raoul Cabrera, minister of war, who commanded the government troops, was killed and his body was taken to Navarette. The revoutionists are before Navarette, where another battle will be fought. The government troops are waiting for reinforcements. The United States cruiser Detroit and the gunboat Newport are off Monte Christi.

third piece of cake and had given up

hope of obtaining a fourth he asked

moment. Permission was granted, and

he slipped out of the room. In a few

brass clock from the mantelpiece.

to with that clock?"

one stirred.

seconds he returned with the little

mother. "What mischief are you up

"Goin' to try a speriment," replied the youngster with importance.

little fellow is going to try an experi-

Miss Antique tittered. "The dear

While Miss Antique was speaking

Georgie carefully placed the clock on

on his lips and enjoined silence. No

In two minutes Georgie's strained

expression relaxed and he clapped his

hands in exultation. "It goes!" he

Georgie's father said nothing, but

"Of course, it goes, child," laughed

"Well," replied the little fellow,

Miss Antique. "What made your

simply, "he said your face would stop

Both Imaginary.

were dead wrong, pop!"

father think it wouldn't?"

a clock, but it doesn't."

looked apprehensive.

"Goodness, child!" exclaimed the

to be allowed to leave the table for a



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state of North Carolina there has been would the south bite at his bate a great deal in the newspapers of all it would show its gratitude to him sections of the country about what for the suggestion by placing him in some editors are pleased to call the the second place on the ticket on? that repudiated bonds of the southern should the democracy be successful with states. From some of these articles one would judge that the southern states had put their bonds upon the market, reaped benefit from their sale and deliberately refused to recognize them as evidences of indebtedness, and also that the matter of adjusting and settling bonded indebtedness was peculiarly a southern feature. It seems that there are other states besides those south of Mason and Dixon's line which have adjusted their bonded indebtedness in proportion to the benefit received from the sale of the bonds. Minnesota is one of these, and the following letter to The Boston Transcript from a citizen of St. Paul shows that his state has taken the very same course as did North Carolina in 1879 in reference to her outstanding bonds, and in Minnesota's case the transaction was considered all right.

The letter to The Transcript is as follows:

To the Editor of The Transcript:

Mr: Mark Sullivan, in an article under the caption "A State vs. a State," in The Transcript of March 30, classes this state among those which have refused payment of their bonds and charges us with an unpaid debt of \$5,960,000. In making so serious a charge in so widely read a paper as is The Transcript, he should have verified the statement of the broker made "some twenty years Since then Minnesota has adago." justed that old debt and paid it off. A brief statement of the facts is made necessary by this inclusion of Minnesota with states still under the cloud

timonials. We can not for a moment In 1858 the first legislature of this state authorized the issue of five million dollars in bonds, in aid of railmade such a "demand" of the members way construction. Several compaof the Goldsboro bar or, if he had nies formed and began work. Local done so, that those gentlemen would opposition, the general financial condition and lack of operating capihave consented to "stand and delive-" tal on part of the contractors, led to a suspension of all work. The state had secured itself against loss by a Wilson Times' review of the report of mortgage on the land grants and right of way. Of the total issue authe Atlantic and North Carolina railthorized, \$2.275,000 were put out way investigation committee illustrates The state foreclosed its mortgage. one of the several absurdities that re recovered the land grant and about 250 miles of graded track. Several port contains: propositions were submitted to vote for adjustment under an amendment of the constitution prohibiting any instances in poor condition, therefore payment of the bonds unless approvnecessitating more work than necesed by general vote, but all were resary. It recommends replacing old with jected. The grounds of opposition new ties as rapidly as possible." were many-charges of fraud among them-but the real motive was disinclination to pay for what had not but the ties in many instances are in been received. The fact that the poor condition. We doubt if even The state had received all the securities it took was disregarded. A later leg- News and Observer can reconcile these islature gave away, without restriction these securities to other companies, which built the railways. It left the state in an indefensible position, a fact that gradually grew into acceptance among the people. In 1881 the legislature provided for an adjustment of the demands and made the judges of the supreme court a commission for that purpose. In a suit brought to restrain this action. the supreme court held the act unconstitutional, but it also decided that the restriction on the power of the legislature to settle the demands was also unconstitutional, as one impairing the obligation of a contract. Under this decision a special session of the legislature accepted a proposal made by the principal stockholders, by which they agreed to accept fifty cents on the dollar of the amount then due, including principal and interest. An issue of bonds for \$4,282,-000 was made and the old bonds called in and cancelled. The state school fund took over nearly all this issue, for the payment of which the act set apart 500,000 acres of the land granted for internal improvements by congress. P. J. SMALLEY. CASTORIA. The Kind You Have Alway 3 Bengin Bears the

side in the field

TO SEE MISS ROOSEVELT.

willing targets of themselves for the

Russian soldiers. This report shows

the absurdity of believing half the news

that is sent out from the seat of war.

It has come to such a pass that the

public puts no confidence in any news

that is sent out by either side as to its

successes. Even official confirmation of

reports of victory are scarcely believed.

The only thing we can be certain about

is that the Japanese have had decided-

ly the better of the contest so far. It is

impossible to accurately state how

many warships have been lost on eith-

er side, what the casualties on land and

5,000 Persons Jostle Each Other in Order to Catch a Glimpse of the President's Daughter.

Georgie's Experiment. St. Louis, May 26.-A crowd of Georgie's father and mother are 5,000 persons, more than threeboth proud of their hopeful's thirst for knowledge, says the New York fourths of whom were women, jostled Press. But there are times when they each other for a glimpse of Miss feel that the little fellow carries the Roosevelt, eldest daughter of the thirst to extremes. One of these occa-President of the United States at sions occurred the other evening, when Miss Antique stayed to dinner. Union station this afternoon, when As soon as Georgie had finished his

she arrived for a week's visit. Four hundred women broke through the gates to the midway when the train arrived, bringing Miss Roosevelt, Miss Alice Warder, of Washington, and several maids. The women crowded about Miss Roosevelt at the train steps, delaying her advance, in spite of the protection furnished by two policemen, who led the party. Miss Irene Catlin, whose guest Miss Roosevelt is, and her brother, T. E. Catlin had great diffi-

culty in keeping near the party. When the Midway was passed, Miss

Roosevelt and her escorts broke into ment!" she gushed. "How clever of a rapid walk, while the crowd folhim!" lowed with shouts of "Hurrah for Miss Roosevelt." "There she is" until the carriage was reached at the enthe table in front of her. With a mysterious gesture he laid his finger trance of the station. So great was the crush at the carriage that the President's daughter was almost forced against the wheels before she could enter. As soon as she was seated, the carriage was driven away cried, triumphantly "It goes! You rapidly.

A COND CTOR ASSASSINATED. The Foul Deed of a Negro in Revenge

for Being Put Off a Train.

Meridian, Miss., May 25 .- Conductor S. W. Askew, of the Mobile and Ohio passenger service, was assassinated last night by a negro on an excursion train coming to Meridian from Mobile. The murder occurred at Yellow Bluff, Alabama, and is believed to have been committed by a negro named Carlisle, who had been put off the train on the down trip. Conductor Askew was shot in

the back of the head with a gun loaded with buckshot, a large hole being torn in his head, killing him instantly. Joe Richardson, a brakeman, received serious wounds in his neck, face and shoulders from flying shot. A negro passenger was also wounded. A report from Yellow Bluff to-day says that the negro is under arrest, and witnesses have left to identify him. Askew's body was sent to his home at Birmingham. He leaves a wife and children.

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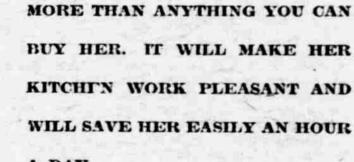
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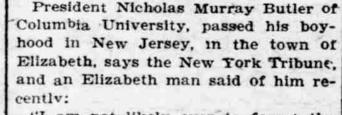
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> "One day I heard a minister trying to joke him a bit. 'Nicholas,' said the minister, 'can

you tell me what the earth's axis is?' " "'Yes, sir,' answered the boy. 'It is an imagninary line passing from one pole to the other, on which the earth revolves.'

"'Very good,' said the minister. Then he winked at the rest of us. 'And l suppose, Nicholas,' he went on, 'that you could hang a wash out on this imaginary line, eh?

Yes, sir; of course, sir,' said the



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two statements, especially in face of all it has had to say about the horrible condition of the Southern railroad be cause of the rotten cross-ties in its road bed.

Rev. Mr. McKelway is editor of both The Presbyterian Standard and The Charlotte News. Not long ago he jocularly remarked in the columns of the latter paper that The Messenger was trying to get up a fight between those two papers. We do not wish to see any such controversy, but we would like to see The News man write one of his usually spicy articles on the subject of Christian charity with the following extract from the editorial columns of The Presbyterian Standard as hi text:

"If we understand the case correctly the Pope has forbidden the employment of women singers in the choirs of Catholic churches. The poor old Pope is judging Protestant America, with its influence upon the Catholic church here. with Catholic and infidel Italy, infidel because Catholic and corrupt because it is both. Really there is no harm in the world in American women singing in the choirs of churches."

Nashville, Tenn., May 25 .- A speboy cial from Carthage says one man is dead and another is supposed to be dead, as the result of an effort to pected. capture a man charged with murder. It is reported that Sid Vaden and Dan White had some difficulty on account of the trespassing of a cow on White's growing crops. White told his little son to get a gun, from which he emptied the contents into the back

"The minister looked blank at that, for it was not the answer he had ex-"'Oh, you could, could you? What kind of a wash?' he asked. "'An imaginary wash,' said Butler.

Neither Had Time To Waste on Fools.

When George Westinghouse, as a of Vaden as he walked away. Va- young inventor, was trying to interest den died instantly. Sheriff Scruggs capitalists in his automatic brake, the with a posse went to the scene and device which now plays so important found White securely barricaded in a part in the operation of railroad his home. He refused to surrender, trains, says The Philadelphia Ledger. and the officers kept guard over the he wrote a letter to Commodore Cor-house all last night. Four of the nelius Vanderbilt, president of the house all last night. Four of the nelius Vanderbilt, president of the posse made a charge early to-day New York Central Railroad Company, and got inside the door, but the fire carefully explaining the details of the from a Winchester compelled them to invention. Very promptly his letter retreat, leaving one of their number, came back to him, indorsed in big, Robert Overstreet, behind. He is scrawling letters, in the hand of Comscrawling letters, in the hand of Comsupposed to be dead. White defies modore Vanderbilt: "I have no time the officers and declares he will not to waste on fools."





Editor Watterson will never approve of the "pert paragraph" until he has outgrown the editorial 'steenthly .- Atlanta Constitution.

Afterward, when another railroad had taken up the automatic brake and it was proving very successful, Commodore Vanderbilt sent young Mr. Westinghouse a request to call on him. The inventor returned the letter, indorsed on the hottom as follows: "I have no time to waste on fools."

It is now said that the Czar will put on a bold front and go to the front .-Atlanta Constitution.



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