SUBSCRIPTION PRICE.

## A STATE REFORMATORY.

The propesition to use the surplus funds of the State penitentiary to establish a State reformatory for boys is a good idea, provided it is not needed where it is, but if any reformatory institution is established it should be totally disassociated from the State's prison or its management.

We think it would also be a bad idea to call the proposed charity a "reformatory," as by name as well as by its aims it should remove every possible stigms from the youth who may go out of it to be citizens of integrity and usefulness during the balance of their lives. We rather like the Maryland idea of designating it as the "Boys' Home." or oy some equally unobjectionable title.

However, under whatever name it shall be called, let it be established. The Legislature which is to convene next month should never adjourn till it takes favorable action upon this imperitive need in our State. Several counties have proposed and even taken steps to establish county reformatories, but it should be essentially a State institution as a means of economy and uniformity in the methods of recasting the lives of boys, educating them, teaching tnem trades and equipping them generally for useful lives.

North Carolina has reached such a stage in civilization that will make i a crying shame for the next Legis-I ure not to take action upon this m tter. It will be a crime to longer i ore or neglect youthful criminals w nout some effort on the part of t great tate of North Carolina to

## ..OST MONEY ON ROOSEVELT.

1 good joke is told on a Republican in a county not a hundred miles from Wilmington. He did a little spellbinding for Roosevelt's during the campaign and sought to hoodwink the farmers by telling them to watch cotton go above ten cents if Roosevelt were elected. In the exuberance of his gratification over the land-slide the spellbinder forthwith bought 35 bales of cotton to hold for the rise which he confidently expected. Imagine his consternation when the government forecast of a 12,162,000 bale crop caused the appalling slump in prices a few days ago. He lost \$12.50 a bale on his deal, and no doubt he will remember as long as be lives that his over confidence in Roosevelt cost him \$437.50.

It is to be presumed that our Republican friend is disillusioned of the idea that any man or party can guar autee prosperity except to the few for whose benefit all the people are taxed by the party of protection.

The Republican party proceeds upon the assumption that the negro's chief "open door of hope" is in politics. Educational advantages, industrial training and aspirations to better his conditions morally and materially promise infinitely more for the negro's happiness, thrift and progress than the few political jobs that can be secured for him by arousing against him the antagonism of the white population of the South.

The Southerner who expects any great shakes out of that "square deal" can compare credulity with the Ohio bankers who went to the wall supplied with money

Reduced representation in Congress doesn't half as much disturb the equanamity of the South as the reduced price of cotton. We get more with cotton money than we with rotten politics.

The Norfolk-Virginian Pilot notes that Billy Bailey is in jail there on a charge of larceny. The man who breaks in on us with "Billy Bailey" might also be charged with bur-

Congressman Tom Heflin may escape further notoriety if some Republican small-bore Congressman vail upon him to let you burn with Marsh, a delegate to the Baptist does not seek to manufacture noto- the rest. Ever your friend, Fred." World's conference, which meets in the rest. Ever your friend, Fred." World's conference, which meets in riety for himself by adding to Tom's. | -Tid Bits.

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The New York Post remarks: "The announcement that Dr. W. D. Crum is to be confirmed as collector of the port of Charleston heralds great victory for Mr. Roosevelt and the right. The opposition to this official has never had any other basis than the color of his skin." Neither has the reason for his appointment ever had any other basis than the

color of his skin. It is hoped that all the talk and movements among Southern planters about holding their cotton for a substantial advance will not prove to be "full of sound and fury, signifying nothing." They have the game in their own hands, and will

The other day a New York man was fined \$1,000 and ordered to be sent to jail if he didn't pay it within three weeks. If most newspaper men were in a box like that, they would be mostly concerned in what the jailer would have for Christmas

How in the world can we proceed with our argument against lynching when it is stated that many drug manufacturers are putting upon the market medicines that contain no ingredients for which they are palmed off?

"What did Mrs. Chadwick do with that money she got from those bankers?" asks an exchange. Such questions are flippant and impertinent, and we positively refuse to name the depository which a woman wears on her feet.

The future of cotton-not Preident Roosevelt's policy-is the "white man's burden" in the South just now.

CURRENT COMMENT.

- Many a bluffer stands pat. -Washington Post.

- Teddy has not decided yet to come South. If he should decline, we can also stand that! - Macon Telegraph. - Some of those people who

think the Senate is going to revise

the tariff right away are as credulous as Ohio bankers.—Macon Telegraph. - It now appears that there was a deficit of \$42,770,572 in the government revenues on June 30, 1904, but the fact was evidently kept from Secretary Shaw until after November 8. - Washington

- President Roosevelt's fourth annual message has the fault of most of his State papers. It is much too long and much too prolix. The President has discussed pretty nearly everything in the heavens above, the earth beneath and the waters under the earth-except the tariff. - New York World.

-- Dr. Crum's nomination has an early start this time and it will probably run through the Senate and President Roosevelt will have his revenge upon the first community in "his mother's country" which opened its homes and its heart in full welcome to him .- Charles.

- It was graceful and proper in the Councilmen to pass that resolution inviting President Roosavelt to visit Norfolk. He would be heartily welcomed and would enjoy himself, we are sure. Our people appreciate his friendly interest in the James. town Exposition and would like to show him that they do .- Norfolk

— The great number of farmers in the country has been one of the chief obstacles to their organization. The movement, however, to unite to control the price of cotton seems to be very general, and it may result in some practical scheme to carry out the idea, which possesses much merit. - Columbia Record.

- Senator Carmack's proposition to make it unlawful for corporations engaged in interstate commerce to contribute to campaign funds would be a most admirable one if it could be carried out in spirit as well as letter. But even if you prevent an "industry" from contributing, how are you going to keep the captain of one from doing so?-Charleston New & Courier.

- Maj. Gen. Daniel E. Sickles, one of the few surviving corps commanders of the civil war, is heading movement for the erection of a monument, as a State or national monument, on the site of the famous Andersonville prison, at Andersonville, Ga. Gen. Sickles to-day submitted a resolution to the Grand Army posts of the city, asking that they take some action regarding the matter-New York Times, Dec. 8.

--- There is not a line on the The trusts may yet fatten from its unfairly given privileges. in trying to keep Mrs. Chadwick The big stick has become a big club, and the President swings it all over the Western Continent. War still Mr. Roosevelt's idea of the chief glory of man, and in the dis cussion of foreign policy there is a truculent note. The President is sorry that he cannot wipe out all the State laws and make the Federal law the rule of the land. - New

York American. - "Dear Fred: As you are aware I shall marry Mr. Gotrox this com-ing week. Will you kindly burn all the little notes I have sent you? I shall do so with yours. Good bye. and pleased his audience with a de-Ethel." What he wrote: "Dear Miss Ethel: Your request shall be complied with. And, by the way, your afflanced also holds a few notes of mine that I wish you would pre-

**BAPTISTS IN SESSION** 

The Annual State Convention Is Now Being Held at Flizaabeth City, N. C.

DR. R. H. MARSH, PRESIDENT Re-elected for Thirteenth Year ... Seventy-

fourth Year a Prosperous One Evidenced by All Reports-Rev. Livingston Johnston.

ELIZABETH CITY, Dec. 9. - The great Baptist State Convention continues its sessions here with increasing interest. The convention reorganized by rewin if they have patience and deterelecting Dr. R. H. Marsh, president. for the thirteenth time, and N. B. Broughton and H. C. Moore, secretaries. J. M. Stoner, Asheville; E. F. Aydlett, Elizabeth City, and T. M. Arrington, Rocky Mount, were elected vice presidents. Other officers elected were: Treasurer, Walters Durham, Raleigh; assistant treasurer, J. M. Stoner, Asheville; suditor, F. H. Briggs, Raleigh; corresponding secretary, Livingston Johnson, Raleigh.

The convention sermon was preached by Rev. J. W. Lynch, upon the theme of redemption, and a large congregation heard him, giving close at-

Rev. Livingston Johnson, corresponding secretary of the Board of Missions of the convention, read his annual report, which showed gratifying enlargement in all departments of the work under his supervision. Since last year's report there has been a gain of twenty-nine churches, with a net gain in membsrable of 4,779.

The Baptists this year have raised \$101,900 for all purposer, against \$97,000 during 1903, a gain of \$14,-000. Some of the most notable objects and amounts are \$28,000 for State missions, against \$36,000 last year; \$18,5000 for Foreign missions, against \$17,000 for the previous year; \$6,800 for Home Missions, against \$7,-500 last year; \$27,000 for the Thomas-There are 126 missionaries in the State and 2,000 conversions under their

ministry. Prof. Cullom, Secretary of the Education Board, submitted his annual report. It shows that 50 young men, preparing for the ministry are re. celving aid at Wake Forest College by the Board, as against 39 three years ago, at a cost of more than \$4,000.

Rev. H. H. Marchturn, of Louisburg, read the report on ministerial education. It states that many of the leaders in all Christian living and work were helped through college by the Education Board, and that the Baptist Church, which made the largest offering to Foreign Missions last year of any in the South, has as pastor a man whom the Board aided at Wake Forest, and that at least thirty after receiving aid in college courses have become foreign missionaries.

ELIZABETH CITY, Dec. 10.-The sessions of the Baptist StateConvention are drawing to a close after a most interesting and profitable meeting. A large number of pastors left to day to fill their usual appointments at home on Sunday. Features of yesterday's sessions were the report on State Missions and an address by Rev. G. N. Cowan; an address by Rev. Livingston Johnston on the same subject, introducing Rev. S. W. Oldham, from a mission field in Eastern Caroline, and Dr. I. N. Loftin, an experienced worker among the factory people of the State. Rev. D. F. Harris and Rev. W. V. Savage also spoke on State Missions in a most interesting manner.

Prof. F. P. Hobgood read the report of the trustees of Wake Forest College, showing the excellent condition of the institution and the progress it is making. Prof. J. B. Carlyle spoke eloquently and enthusiastically on the "Wake Forest spirit."

On motion of Mr. J. W. Bailey committee was appointed to inquire into the failure of the railroads to make the usual concessions to the convention in regard to rates and to protest against the unbearably poor accomodation furnished by them. Rev. Hight C. Moore, the conven-

tion's Sunday School secretary, submitted his annual report, showing a gratifying advancement in the work under his supervision. Mr. J. W. Bailey, chairman of the special committee appointed a year ago to ascertain how many institutions of learning there were in our State that can properly be classified as Baptist schools, submitted his report, showing at least thirty-two such schools.

held with the Baptist Tabernacle, Raleigh. Dr. Fred D. Hale will preach the convention sermon, with Rev. C. W. Scarborough, alternate. Rev. John T. Jenins, of Wilson, read a report on woman's work. It was shown that of the \$6,000 gain in contributions this year over last, more than \$3,000 must be put to the credi of the women, the whole amount raised by them being over \$4,000.

The next session of the body will be

Upon the arrival of the hour set apart for Foreign Missions, Dr. W. C. Tyree, vice president of the Foreign Mission Board for North Carolina, took the chair. Rev. B. Craig read the report and followed it with a good speech. E. E. Bomer, assistant secretary of the Foreign Mission Board, introduced Rev. W. E. Enizminger, a missionary to Brazil, who entertained scription of men and things in that

splendid country. At Friday morning's session of the convention a resolution was adopted appointing the president, Rev. R H. London next July.

TRUCK TEST PARM.

State Board Members VIII Consider Propesition With Truckers' Association.

[Special Star Tetegram.] RALEIGH, N. C., Dec. 8.-The State Board of Agriculture appoints Wm. Dunn, of Newbern, and A. T. McCallum, of Red Springs, of the Board, and State Chemist Kilgore and State Horticulturist Hume, a committee to confer with representatives of the East Carolina Fruit and Truck Growers' Association with respect to the location of the experiment farm for the strawberry and truck section, the farm to be purchased and operated by the Agricultural Department. With this end in view, an experiment farm conducted for some yearsnear Red Springs is ordered to be discontinued. The Board also ordered that a test farm be purchased in Transylvania county for experiments in apple growng and other western fruits. It will cost \$2,000, the farmers in that section subscribing one-fourth of the amount.

ALEX. PEARSE BROUGHT HERE.

Mr. Emerson's Porter Brought Last Night from Jacksonville, Fla.

Alex. Pearce, the colored porte

charged with the larceny of various articles from the private car of Mr. T. M. Emerson, of the Atlantic Coast L'ne, particulars of which were given n these columns a few days ago, was brought to Wilmington last night on the 11:45 train by Deputy Sheriff J. A. Vinseant, who turned the prisoner over to Constable Savage at the station. Pearce willingly came without requisition papers and was very frank in his statements about goods taken from the car. He said he wanted to see Mr. Emerson and Mr. Geo. P. James, private secretary to Mr. Emerson, and he was confident he could fix the matter up with them as he had it in his heart to do nothing wrong. He not only confessed to having taken all the bed clothing, etc, which he was accused of stealing, but also said he had taken some portieres found in

HIS POOT BADLY MASHED.

Young Man Severely Injured in A. C. Shaps Yesterday Afternoon.

8. D. Bryant, a young white man employed in the A. C. L. shops, had his left foot seriously mashed in a turn table yesterday afternoon about o'clock. All the toes on the left foot were broken and the heel and ankle badly crushed. Mr. Bryant with other men were engaged about the turn table and had just rolled a locomotive off, one end of the table track having been held up by the weight of the locomotive and as soon as it passed off, the track structure came back down on the man's foot. The turn table was so heavy that the locomotive had to be run back on one end of the track so that the foot could be released. Drs. John C. Wessell and P. J. Thomas attended the injured man and sent him to the James Walker Memorial Hospital. They were unable to say last night whether or not amputation would be necessary.

Stery With a Moral

An instance which illustrates not only the value of the STAR as an advertising medium, but also the intelligence of the canine generation of high breed, is related by Mr. J. C. Loder, of the U.S. Engineer's Corps in this city. A few days ago Mr. Loder lost his fine blue setter, and from his residence telephoned an advertisement to the STAR that night, offering a reward for the return of the dog. The next morning when Mr. Loder awoke and started out the door at his home the blue setter, which had been lost or stolen, met him with a copy of the STAR containing the advertisement in his mouth. The dog had returned during the night, and when the carrier boy threw the paper on Mr. Loder's porch the dog let it lay undisturbed until he heard the approach of his master. Then he p'c'ed up the paper, as had been his custom, and brought it to the owner, wagging his tail significantly.

In ? bursday Night's Wreck. Messrs. H. M. Chase, M. F. H Gouverneur, C. W. Bidgood and T. F. Simmons, of Wilmington, were on the second section of A. C. L. train No. 35, which was in collision with the locomotive of a construction train near Stoney Creek, Va., Thursday night. Mr. Simmons says the experience was a tr, ing one and one which passengers on the train will not soon forget. The Wilmington party was all aboard the Pullman and escaped with only a bad shaking-up. Mr. Simmons speaks in highest terms of the courage of Engineer Boney. who never released his throttle and was found seated at his post when parties from the train came forward any of the engine crew escaped death, Mr. Simmons says, he doesn't know.

Kidnapped a Girl, Constable Savage last night arrested Maggie McArthur, a mulatto woman of questionable character living at Tenth and Meadow streets, a charge of kidnapping being preferred against her by Harriet White. It is alleged that the McArthur woman took Augusta White, the 13 year-old daughter of the prosecuting witness, to South Rocky Mount and there abandoned her to a life of shame. Upon her return to Wilmington the McArthur woman was arrested. She gave IMPOSED ON GARNIVAL FOLKS.

Pakir "Skinned 'Em Alive" and Skipped the Show at Midnight.

The Naval Reserves' Carnival passed off without an untoward incident until the close last night, when the local management and not a few of the patrons of the affair were imposed upon by about one of the most brazen fakirs ever seen in this city. The man induced the Reserves to let him have one of their tents in which to give a show last night with a woman who accompanied him. The show was one of those "after the usual performance" affairs in which persons "overscrupulous" about refinement, etc., were advised to stay away and the "sports" were promised for 25c a head something "rich, rare and racy." Be tween 75 and 100 of the "boys" ran over one another to snap at the balt, and when the fakir had raked In the shekels to the tune of about \$25 be crowd was turned into a rear apartment for the "after-show, males only," but the show folks disappeared. The crowd acknowledged that it was sold and a majority of the number would have torn down the tent had not word been passed around that the canvas was the property of the Naval Reserves. A search was made for the fakirs by the Carnival management, but they had skipped their boarding place on Front street last night and their trunk, found at the A. C. L. sta tion at midnight, was taken and returned to the house by their landlord to rquare up the delinquency.

Robbed in a Negro Restaurant. A negro who keeps a restaurant on Fourth, between Bladen and Brunswick streets, was arrested yesterday by Constable Savage, charged with assault and battery upon and the robbers of another negro, who alleges that about dark yesterday a week ago he went into the eating house of the defendant, paid 80c. he was due the proprietor, sat down to eat a meal and while at the table was knocked senseless from bewhen he came to his senses he was in the back yard of the restaurant and everything he had on his person was gone. The restaurant keeper gave \$100 bond, with Henry C. Green as Fowler's court.

SNOW STORM IN NEW YORK

Fall of Nearly Two inches, accompa pled by High Wind \_Trans-Atlantic Liners Storm Bound and Delayed.

By Telegraph to the Morning Star.

NEW YORK, Dec. 10 -A snow torm accompanied by a high wind descended upon New York early today. Nearly two inches of snow fell riously impeded, but craft of all kinds have been delayed. Many of the ferries had difficulty in making their regular schedules. Snow bound somewhere outside the

Hook, most of the big fleet of trans-Atlantic liners due to-day failed to ge The American liner New York the North German Lloyd liner Hanover, and the Belgravis, of the Hamburg-American line, were sighted tonight. The Belgravia was two days

The officers of the French steamer Lorraine, which arrived this afternoon, confirmed stories of storms in Atlantic lanes, during the past week. When the vessel left Havre on December 3rd she immediately encountered bad weather and the passengers were kept behind storm doors during most of the passage.

FIRE AT PORTSMOUTH, VA. Lumber Plant of Robinson & Co., Destroye at an Early Hour This Morning. No Estimate of Loss.

NORFOLK, VA., Dec. 11 .- Fire that broke out at 1:30 this (Sunday) morning in the lumber yard of Robinson & Company, Portsmouth, is beyond control of the entire Portsmouth fire department and is sweeping through a whole block before a high wind. A shower of firebrands is failing on surrounding property. The fire district is bounded by High, Queer, Chestnut and Pine streets and the property on it is devoted to a large lumber yard, a planing mill, lumber mill and sash

At 3 o'clock the firemen checked the flames in time to save the office building of the Robinson Company, situated at the extreme northern part of the block. The strong wind from the northwest sided in saving this portion of the property. The fire has been confined to the square in which it riginated and the buildings destroys ed are those used as planing mill lumber mill, and the sash and blind factory and power house. President Robinson, of the lumber company, says he is unable at this time to give any estimate of the loss.

JAMESTOWN EXPOSITION.

Virginia Members of Congress Will Make Contest for an Appropriation.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 10 -General Fitzhugh Lee, president of the Jamestown Exposition Company, had a talk with President Roosevelt to-day about the exposition. He thanked the President for his interest in the project as expressed in his message. He referred to the announcement that the subcommittee of the House Committee on Industrial Arts and Expositions had decided not to recommend an appropriation for the Jamestown Exposition, but would recommend that provision be made for a naval display there. The promoters of the enterprise expected that an appropriation would be made by the government for the exposition and they feel that as they favored appropriations for the St. Louis and Portland expositions, they ought to have similar treatment. The Virginia members of Congress \$25 bond for her appearance in Jus-

CARGO FROM PERU.

Norwegian Tramp Steamer of Large Capacity Arrived from Lobos Islands.

THE MARKETS AND SHIPPING. Whart Merchants Enjoying Pine Xmas

Trade-Schooners for Besten-Cotton Off Again - Government Steamer la Pert-Notes.

The big Norwegian tramp steamer, Hanseat," 2,177 tons, arrived at anchor at Southport yesterday with a big load of Peruvian guano from Lobos Islands, Chili, for the Smith-Davis Company, of this city. The big steamer is drawing 23 feet of water and will proceed up the river to-day or to morrow. She will discharge at the Wilmington Compress. The Smith-Davis Company has already built up a large business in the importation of high grade fertilizers to Wilmington and in distributing the same throughout all this territory. Several cargoes were distributed by the company from this point last season and other cargoes will arrive early in the new year. The vessel which arrived yesterday is consigned to Mesers. Helde & Co. The cargo consists of 5,500 tons and is the only full cargo of Peruvian guano brought to Wilmington in twenty years. The business of the Smith-Davis Co., has increased so rapidly that they have difficulty in supplying the demand. This guano has been used in this section chiefly for cotton and corn, but the truck farmers are now appreciating its value and are buying it quite

Wholes to merchants on the wharf especially those handling the lighter lines of caudies and fruits, report au excellent holiday trade. Many of their shipping clerks and stock keepers are working over time and the proprihind and robbed. The negro says clors themselves are not on "easy street" so far as the rush is concerned. The retail dealers are likewise busy, but the greatest period of activity for them is yet to come. The hollday bustuess this year is already large in surety for his appearance in Justice nearly every line. The slump in cotton appears to have had little effectthus far on the trade in the country, and live merchants in the near-by towns are putting in big stocks of Santa Claus goods. The travelling salesmen of Wilmington jobbers report most favorable conditions in the country and say that everybody is

> The revenue cutter "Beminole," of this station, has completed repairs at Baltimore and will sail in a day or two for Wilmington to resume her duties on this part of the coast. The Winter cruising of the steamer this year will include from Cape Hatteras to Savannah and will call for almost constant activity of the cutter until April 1st. The "Seminole" has lately been fitted up with an apparatus for blowing up derelicis by dy namite.

The United States lighthouse tender ing the stockholders. 'Armeria" arrived in port yesterday on her sem! annual visit. The 'Armeria" covers a great stretch of coast on the Atlantic and in the Gulf of Mexico. There are certain supplies which are apportioned to the ten to a dozen dogs in a few lighthouses that must last six months or thereabouts and the "Armeria" is in the Cape Fear district to supply the local ports.

Receipts of cotton Saturday were only 651 bales, against 3,146 same day last season. The local market was quoted "nominal," against 71c the day before. The New York spot market yesterday was off the ten points gained the day before, being quoted quiet at 8c.

Schooners "George H Hames" and Benj. C. Firth" cleared Saturday for Boston, the former with cargo of 350,000 feet of lumber, from the Chadbourn Lumber Co., and the latter with 16,830 cross-ties consigned by the B. F. Keith Company.

A GIRL'S HEROISM It Required Courage to Make the

A girl stood one day in the waiting come in answer to an advertisement to apply for a secretary's post and was awaiting her inspection. She needed Presently she was called into the oface, and the interview was satisfactowas another applicant to be interviewed. She went into an adjoining room, and through the open door she saw a small, pale woman, nervously answering the questions put to her, and could hear the pitiful story of her husband's death, the small children dependent upon her and her need of work. The woman was told, however, that her services could not be accepted as another person had already applied and had just received a promise of the

The girl listening in the next room had hardly understood what was going on, but at this point her heart bounded with joy as she realized that she was the accepted person. The next moment she saw despair written on the face of the widow and perceived suddenly what this failure meant to her. "I can't do it; I can't take it from her," she murmured. And without stopping a moment to consider she walked quickly back to the other room and said quietly to the employer: "I wish to tell you that on consideration I find the position you offer would not suit me. Good morning." And she left the office without another word.

- "They say she spends twice as much money as any other woman new gown is strictly up to date. for complexion powder." course she does. She is two-faced." sent it home the day she promised ball in the golden West. Baltin Judge.

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SPIRITS TURPENTINE.

- On Thursday night revenue

officers from Raleigh captured near

negroes who were operating it es-

- The Washington papers repre-

- In the Superior Court at Char-

calf, of the Department of Com-

January, when a movement will be

set on foot to promote closer trade

relations with Cuba. The delega-

tion was accompanied to the depart-

ment by Senators Overman and

Simmons, who construed Secretary

Metcalf's reply to the invitation as

- Raleigh correspondence of the

Charlotte Observer: There is likely

to be quite a contest for the lo-

cation of the soil test farm for truck,

berries, and small fruits which is to

be located somewhere in eastern

North Carolina. It will be between

Chadbourn and Beaufort. Fred L.

Merritt, of the Atlantic & North

Carolina Railway, was here to-day and said that road greatly desired to

have the farm located at some point

on its line and would do a great

deal in aid of the matter. The road

is pushing the matter of truck farm-

- A dispatch from Elizabeth City

on Friday says : Mr. B. Ehringhaus,

one of the oldest and most highly

respected citizens of this city, com-

mitted suicide this afternoon at 1

been to his place of business for sev-

eral weeks. The family of Ehring-

haus is the oldest in eastern Caro-

lina. The grandfather of Mr. B.

Ehringhaus settled in this city in

1810 and ran the first bank in this

section of the State. The suicide is

supposed to have been caused by

temporary insanity, as the deceased

was in the best of spirits half an

-At Raleigh on Friday the Secre-

tary of State authorized the South-

ern Pants Company, of Char-

lotte, to increase its capital

stock from \$50,000 to \$100,000 and

the time for its existence is increas-

ed to 60 years. The Rocky Mount

Guano Company was granted a char-

ter with power to manufacture fur-

niture also, the capitol stock being

\$100,000 and R. E. Brewer and

others being the stockholders. Char-

ter was granted the Wade-McArthur

Company, of Wade, to make lum-

ber, wood pulp crates, baskets and

other truckers supplies, the capital

stock being \$25,000, F. G. Wade

and B. W. McArthur, of Florida,

and Adam McArthur, of Wade be-

- A strange animal has been

prowling around Greensboro for

some weeks, and when dogs attack

it the ferocious thing cuts their

throats as if it had a two-edged

minutes. Says the Charlotte Obser-

ver: The animal which is causing

so much mortality among the dogs

and so great panic among the col-

ored people in Greensboro is un-

doubtedly the Santer, which rav

aged Iredell county several years

ago, or one of its pups. It is a very dreadful beast and while it "used"

about Statesville the colored people

learned to step lightly and carry big

- Raleigh correspondence of the

Charlotte Observer: State Auditor

Dixon was asked what he would

specially recommend in his report.

He said he had no right to suggest

a matter of the kind to the Legis-

lature, but gave it as his private

opinion that it would be advisable

to omit from the revenue act what

is known as the merchant's pur-

chase tax, in view of the fact that

there is now \$133,000,000 more of

property listed for taxation than

there was on the tax books in 1900.

It is his view that this tax and

other petty taxes be dispensed with

so far as the State is concerned, and

that these matters be left to the

counties. He thinks enough ad

valorem taxes can be collected to

meet all the expenses of the gov-

ernment, economically adminis-

In the United States Circuit Court

at Mobile, Ala., Mrs. Malvina A. Bod-

den was given a verdict of \$2,111

against the Sovereign Camp, Wood-

men of the World. Her husband,

master of the schooner Break O'Day,

was lost in the Caribbean sea and pay,

ment was refused on his policy be-

-Rick Relative-I hope, Harold,

you have finished sowing your wild

oats and have begun to follow some

remunerative employment. Scape-

grace Nephew-I have, uncle, I am

courting old Muntoburn's daugh-

- Augustus (no longer youthful)

-Well, there's one comfort-they

say at 40 a man is either a fool or a

physician. Angelina (yawning-

But you are not a physician? Au-

gustus-No. Angelina-Oh!-Lon-

Wife—My dressmaker is getting altogether too old fashioned to suit

me. Husband-Why, my dear, your

ter.-Chicago Tribune.

don Tit Bits.

it. - Chicago News.

cause there was no proof of death.

hour previous.

health for some time and had

ing in every way possible.

tantamount to acceptance.

other negro.

caped by outrunning the officers.

Pather, Mother and Two Daughters P ribly Batchered in Their flome Trenten, S. C .-- No Clue

FAMILY MURDEPER AND

THEIR BODIES CREMAN

By Telegraph to the Morning Star. AUGUSTA, GA., Dec. 8.-A sp o the Chronicle from Edgefield, S.

A crime was committed at Tren

last night almilar to the State affair, if the generally accepted the be true that the victims were Louisburg a 50-gallon moonshine still, owned by a white man. Three murdered before the house was fir At 5 o'clock this morning the re dence of B. B. Hughes, centrally cated in the town, was discovered are. Neighbors rushed to the ac but the fire had progressed so far ! sent the President as saying John entrance to the house was impos At once inquiry was made as to whereabouts of the inmates, it be thought that they had made their cape in their night clothes. As an C. Dancy, recorder of deeds for the District of Columbia, will not be disturbed. The papers add that his administration of the affairs of the as the fire had died down suffi office has given entire satisfaction. ly the charred and almost unrecog able bodies of the entire family, esting of Mr. Hughes, his wife, lotte on Friday, Clayton and Ethan and two young daughters. Emma aged 19, and Hattle, aged 16, were d Lytle, negroes, were sentenced to the penitentlary, respectively, for covered. Mr. Hughes body lay n terms of 15 and 12 years. They subthe door leading from his room to mitted to murder in the second dehall with a bullet hole through upper part of his head. A pistol w gree for killing John Thompson, anone empty chamber lay near b - A delegation of High Point his person, showing that he was dressed at the time he met deat. The body of his wife was on the be citizens arrived in Washington on Friday and invited Secretary Metwhile those of the young ladies we similarly laid. The skulls of the merce and Labor, to attend a banquet at High Point, some time in three were crushed as if hit by an ar

> had been struck and done to deal while asleep. The news spread lik wildfire and soon the entire surround ing country was on the scene.
> Under the direction of Solicite Thurmond a corner's jury was en paonelled, but as yet no testimon has been taken, it being thought be to await further developments. was said that three tracks were d covered leading up from the field the house. The county bloodhound were secured and put on the trail, be this effort has availed nothing. Tr affair is veiled in mystery. Every external evidence show

or some blunt instrument. The

bodies when found occupied a mo

natural position, with nothing to it

dicate a struggle, showing that the

that the family were all killed before the house was fired. One theory is the the house was entered for the purpos of robbery, that upon being discov ered the robbers accomplished il murders and fired the house. E citement runs high, but nothing ras will be done. Upon the request of 8 licitor Thurmond, Governor Heywar has offered a reward for the appreher sion of the guilty parties. COLUMBIA, S. C., Dec. 8 .- Hughe was a merchant and farmer, suppose to be prosperous. There is no reaso

o'clock by taking carbolic acid. Mr. known why he should have bee Ehringhaus had not been in good murdered, as he was on good term health for some time and had not with the white and colored people of the community. conditions all point strongly Hughes as the murderer of his entil family and to his subsequent suicid Bloodhounds were brought the scene, but could find no tra and in the absence of a mitive those who held to the th ory of murder could not solv the mystery. There was no sign th fire started.

The charred remains were placed office and taken this afternoon to th Baptist church of the village, whe to-morrow a quadruple funeral will held. The town is quiet.

PRESIDENT'S DECISION.

No Extra Session of Sangress Next ap! The Southern Trig

WASHINGTON, Dec. 10 .- No extr ordinary session of Congress will held next Spring for a revision of lariff. That has been decided definit decision to several of his callers day. The President said he had aba doned any idea of convening Co grees in the Spring, as it did not see practicable to hold a session for tar revision at that time. He indicate however, that he might cal: a session for next Fall, although no absolu determination on that point yet h razor. It has been known to slay

> In view o' this decision the Pre dent told Representative Cooper Texas, that he had decided to ma a Southern trip early next Spring.

seen reached.

NEW YORK BANKS.

NEW YORK, Drc. 10 -The at

Statement of clearing House Averages

nent of averages of the clearing hot banks of this city for the five days this week shows: 13,500. Deposits, \$1,118,040,000; crease, \$9,838,100 Circulation, \$4 534,100; decrease,\$1,037,400. Legalts ders, \$76,910,100; t creas , \$407,60 Specie, \$211,965,100; decrease, \$59 000. Reserv., \$288,675,200; decrea \$1.683,400. Reserve required, \$37 \$10,000; decrease, \$2,459,525. Surpl. \$9,865,200; increase, \$826,125. F U. B. deposits. \$15,191,700; decrea

NINE MEN WISSING.

Part of Crew of Pishing Schooner Belle-

PROVINCETOWN, MASS, Dec. 10 The Boston fishing schooner I Hawk arrived here late to-night w nine of the crew missing and lieved to have been lost in attemp to reach shore, while the vessel temporarily aground on Peaked E bar at 8 o'clock to-night. The m left the Fish Hawk five in one de and four in another, in the belief t the vessel which was pounding on bar would go to pieces Their bod have not been recovered.

TRANSFERS OF REAL ESTATE.

Property Which Exchanged Handa Deeds Piled for Record Vesterday. Frank H. S.edman, sheriff, to Ne

B. Slater, for \$1,600, "Lyrisa" plat tion, on Northeast river, contain 700 acres. W. H. Batton and wife to J. D. f bury, for \$20, their right, title and terest in the tract of tand known

the Oscar P. Batton, Sr., home place C. D. Weeks and wife to W. B. S. mons, for \$275, "Sam Ashe or Cat B's tract of land in Cape Fear towns between the A. & Y. road and Bi - There were 1.081 murder

oman new gown is strictly up to date. Texas last year, indicating that "Of Wife - Yes, I know, but she actually bullet is still more popular than for