

OFFICER GAMBLE'S SHOTS WERE FATAL. VICTIM DIED TODAY

Sectionmaster Edwards who was Shot Three Times by Policeman Gamble at Fort Mill Yesterday Died at Presbyterian Hospital this Morning.

The Dying Man, it is Said Exonerated his Slayer. Trouble Arose Over an Express Package That Edwards was Handling at the Station.

Sectionmaster F. N. Edwards, who was shot at Fort Mill, S. C. yesterday afternoon at 4 o'clock, was brought to Charlotte on the evening train and taken to the Presbyterian Hospital, where he died this morning at 3 o'clock.

The body was taken to the undertaking parlors of J. M. Harry & Co., where it will remain until the authorities from Fort Mill arrive to hold an inquest over it. The remains will probably be taken to Fort Mill this evening.

The account of the tragedy as received over the long distance telephone by The News this afternoon was to the effect that the trouble between Edwards and Policeman J. M. Gamble, started over some express matter that had been taken off the train and deposited at the depot.

It seems that Edwards was handling some packages when Policeman Gamble told him that he had no authority to do so, stating that it was against the rules of the company and that no one was allowed to handle express matter except the express agent.

This angered Edwards, who replied that he was a railroad man and had a right to look over the express packages. Policeman Gamble was of the opinion that he knew better and insisted that Edwards was wrong. Words followed between the men and finally, so it is reported, they agreed to drop the matter until this morning, when the trouble would be settled.

Edwards started off and when he had gone only a few feet, some one in the crowd said something to him that caused him to wheel around with pistol in hand and instantly fire twice. Policeman Gamble drew his pistol and emptied the five chambers before he quit firing.

Edwards said "he has killed me." At the same time Gamble was on his knees trying to reload his revolver. In all, eleven shots were exchanged before the smoke had cleared away and three of these took effect in the body of Edwards.

Edwards walked to his home, a distance of about 100 yards, walked into his house pulled off his coat unassisted, and lay down on the bed. He told his wife that he had brought the trouble on and not to allow them to do anything to Policeman Gamble.

He was examined and found to be in a serious condition, and, in order that he might receive the best medical attention, he was brought to Charlotte and taken to the Presbyterian Hospital, where he died at the hour stated above.

Edwards came to Fort Mill about three weeks ago from Atlanta. Policeman Gamble formerly resided at Concord until about a year ago, when he went to Fort Mill. He bears a good reputation and is well thought of by the residents of that place.

He was not placed in custody, as it was the general opinion that he fired twice before he could draw his pistol.

AT MOROCCAN CONFERENCE. Representative of U. S. at Conference Will Support German Contention.

London, Jan. 15.—The Associated Press is advised that Ambassador White, representing the United States at the Moroccan conference at Algiers will support the German contention both as to "Open Door" in Morocco and as to an international commission to control the policing of the country. It suggested that this may make the adoption of the German view probable.

MAY BE TOTAL LOSS. Captain of Life-Saving Station Came Ashore—Thought Cherokee Is Total Wreck.

By Associated Press. Atlantic City, N. J., Jan. 15.—Captain Smith, of the South Brigantine Life-Saving Station, came ashore from the Cherokee, which grounded Friday. It is believed the steamer will be a total loss.

Chaffee Has Resigned. By Associated Press. Washington, Jan. 15.—Lieutenant General Chaffee tendered his resignation as chief of staff of the United States Army, to take effect today. It was accepted by the President.

SALISBURY NEWS ITEMS.

Several Accidents—Elks' Banquet—Personal Notice. Special to The News.

Salisbury, N. C., Jan. 15.—A young man, E. O. Stallings, a son of Rev. J. N. Stallings, was hit by an electric car Saturday night, receiving severe wounds. The unfortunate man boarded the car in Salisbury to go to his home near Spencer, and got off the car and sat down on the edge of the track. The car on the return trip to Salisbury struck him knocking his considerable distance.

The sad news was received here Saturday night of the death that afternoon at 6 o'clock of Mr. Sam B. Bailey at Mobile, Ala. Mr. Bailey formerly lived in Salisbury and left here to become chief clerk to Mr. W. G. Crutchfield at Mobile. He had hundreds of friends here and was held in high esteem.

The body of a negro woman was found beside the railroad tracks near the power house of the electric company yesterday morning. It is supposed he was killed during the night by a passing train.

The session of raising the city license on taverns in this city to \$1,000 a year is to come up before the board of aldermen at an early date. Many believe the tax should be increased to \$1,000, and there are some who favor the circulation of a petition asking an election on the question of a dispensary should the aldermen decide not to raise the license.

A big chicken fight is to be pulled off at Covington, Ky., this week and a score of more Salisburyans will witness it. The fight is for the championship of the United States and many of the birds are from Salisbury. They have won a number of big battles and are heavily backed for this coming fight.

The Elks are going to have a big social gathering of the herd in their club rooms tomorrow night and it is going to be an event that will be a credit to the order.

The stockholders of the Vance Cotton Mill have re-elected Mr. E. B. Keese manager. This mill succeeded admirably under his guidance.

The council of St. John's Lutheran church have not yet extended a call to a pastor to succeed Rev. Dr. J. H. Wilson, resigned. The vacancy will occur at the end of the pastoral year—May 1st.

CONDITION OF FIELD. Scarcely No Hope For Recovery.—Death Appears Only Matter of Hours.

By Associated Press. New York, Jan. 15.—The following bulletin on the condition of Marshall Field was issued this morning by his physicians:

"Near the end of the seventh day of the disease, Mr. Field's condition remains critical. There is as yet no improvement."

Stanley F. Field, nephew of Marshall Field, said that unless his condition radically changed the case was hopeless and death appeared to be only a matter of a few days.

A bulletin this afternoon says Mr. Field continues to grow weaker.

GOES INTO LIQUIDATION. Cleveland Firms of Stock and Grain Brokers Go Into Liquidation.

By Associated Press. Cleveland, Jan. 15.—P. R. Fahey & Co., stock and grain brokers, announced that their firm will go into liquidation and retire from business owing to speculations of a trusted employee and the continued ill-health of the senior member, P. R. Fahey.

COFFIN DISMISSED. Secretary Bonaparte Approved Sentence Imposed by Court-Martial.

By Associated Press. Washington, Jan. 15.—Secretary Bonaparte approved the sentence of dismissal imposed by the court-martial at Annapolis in the case of Midshipman Trennor Coffin on conviction of hazing and ordered his dismissal from the Academy.

LET THE TROUBLES OF EUROPE ALONE. Senator Bacon Introduces Resolution, to Consider any American Meddling with European Controversies, a Violation of Well-defined Policy of Government.

By Associated Press. Washington, Jan. 15.—Mr. Bacon introduced the following resolution in the Senate:

THE RAILROAD WINS ITS CASE BEFORE SUPREME COURT

Decision of U. S. Circuit Court for District of South Carolina in the Case Involving State's Right to Tax is Affirmed by U. S. Supreme Court.

South Carolina had Appealed from Decision of Circuit Court which Held Railroad Exempt from Collection of Back Taxes by the State.

By Associated Press. Washington, Jan. 15.—The Supreme Court of the United States affirmed the decision of the United States Circuit Court for the District of South Carolina in the case of South Carolina vs. the Atlantic Coast Line. The State appealed from the decision of the Circuit Court, holding the Cheraw and Darlington Railroad Company, now owned by the Atlantic Coast Line to be exempt from State taxation under its charter.

The suit was instituted by the railroad company to secure an injunction against the State authorities and the authorities of Chesterfield, Darlington and Florence counties prohibiting them from taking steps looking to the collection of back taxes in those counties for the past 15 years.

This decision was against the State on the ground that the charter was in the nature of a contract.

CHILD TERRIBLY BURNED. Little Hope For Recovery—Mrs. W. J. Young Jr. Died Today—Bankruptcy Proceedings.

Special to The News. Raleigh, N. C., Jan. 15.—The little daughter of Singleton Scrouther was terribly burned this morning in the sitting room of the family residence, near Raleigh, while the other members of the family were at breakfast. It is thought she inhaled the flames, so there is little hope for her recovery.

Mrs. W. J. Young, Jr., daughter of the late J. G. Ellington died this morning, after an illness of several weeks. She leaves a husband and two small children, the youngest being two weeks old.

Her husband, who one time lived at Winston-Salem, is a member of the firm of Young and Hughes, plumbers and steam fitters at this city. The funeral will be at 11 o'clock tomorrow from the Tabernacle church.

M. G. and C. W. Vick, merchants, of Dunn, have filed voluntary proceedings of bankruptcy. The assets were \$9,890 and the liabilities, \$9,172.

Companies Chartered. This morning in the office of the Secretary of State, the charter of the Brunswick Realty and Development Company was amended so as to change the name to the Southport Realty and Development Company, the incorporators being N. F. Parker, William Ferguson, H. Pyke and George L. Feschau.

The name of the William Schutte Company, of Belhaven, was changed to the Belhaven Lumber Company, S. W. Wilkerson being president.

The Albermarle Grocery Company of Albemarle, was chartered with a \$25,000 capital by Lewis Hartzell and others.

The O. E. Stoner Clothing Company, of Asheville, was chartered at a capital of \$20,000 by G. C. Greener, J. T. Jarragan and Dick Weaver being incorporators.

CONTRACT WITH EXPOSITION. Publicity and Advertising Contracts.—Tone of Country Planned.

By Associated Press. Washington, Jan. 15.—F. B. Davidson and D. O. Freeman, who were connected with the Lewis and Clark Exposition, have made a contract with the management of the Jamestown Exposition for a publicity and advertising program. They will make a trip from Portland to Hampton Roads about the following route: Washington, Va., to the Chesapeake Bay, to the Potomac river, to the Chesapeake Bay, to the Potomac river, to the Chesapeake Bay, to the Potomac river.

At the time of the accident, Mr. J. C. Burrows, who was then superintendent of the dining car service of the Southern railway, was in the vehicle. He received a painful injury. Mr. Burrows has also instituted suit against Wadsworth's Sons.

COURT-MARTIAL CONTINUED. Proceedings Were Continued This Morning at Annapolis.

MR. SUMMEY PROMOTED.

He Was Today Elected Assistant Cashier of the Commercial Bank.

At a meeting of the board of directors of the Commercial National Bank, held this morning, Mr. Albert T. Summey, the popular teller of this institution was elected assistant cashier.

Mr. Summey will continue to perform the duties of teller in addition to those of assistant cashier.

The action of the board of directors of the Commercial National Bank will be both sanctioned and approved by the many customers of this institution. Mr. Summey, during his connection with the Commercial, which covers a period of more than four years, has greatly endeared himself to the patrons of this banking institution. He has won for himself a large place in the hearts of our business men, because of his close attention to business, his uniform kindness, as well as his splendid consideration for the wishes of others.

Mr. Summey's friends will learn of his promotion with real interest and all wish and expect still higher honors to come his way.

DISPENSARIES OPEN. All Opened This Morning—Regarded As Violation of Law.

Special to The News. Spartanburg, S. C., Jan. 15.—Notwithstanding the statement of the City Attorney Stanyarne Wilson to the contrary, the dispensaries all opened here this morning. Wilson said it would be regarded as a violation of the law to open grog shops after the decision of the State Supreme Court made known upholding the Brier law. The dispensaries probably will be open until they receive orders from the State Board of control and to close out the business.

THE CIVIL COURT IS NOW IN SESSION. Judge Henry R. Bryan is Presiding. Several Judgments Filed This Morning. The Case of J. C. Gardner Against J. W. Wadsworth's Sons was Called Today.

The January term of Mecklenburg Superior Court for the trial of civil cases, convened this morning at 10 o'clock. Judge Henry R. Bryan, a relative of Messrs. George W. Harvey, S. and B. K. Bryan, of this city, is presiding.

This is Judge Bryan's first visit to Charlotte in some time. He received a cordial welcome for he is exceedingly popular with the members of the Charlotte bar.

After the organization of the court, Stewart and McRae, counsel for Ida Williams, colored, asked that the matrimonial bonds that bind her to her husband, Frank Williams, be severed. The case was given to the jury and in a short while the relief asked for, was granted.

Another divorce case that of Reuben Cureton against Anna Cureton, was left open.

In the case of T. L. Ellis, against J. P. Mills & Co., the plaintiff was given judgment in the sum of \$38.70.

A compromise judgment was filed in the case of J. E. Davis against the Dover Yarn Mills and J. D. Skidmore. Stewart and McRae secured a judgment for \$750 against the Carolina Central railroad for D. M. Stewart. This case was not on the calendar.

This afternoon at 3 o'clock the case of J. O. Gardner against J. W. Wadsworth's Sons, a damage suit for \$2,500, was called. Mr. Gardner claims this amount of damage because of an accident that befell him while he was driving a team of horses owned by the above named firm.

Wadsworth's Sons have instituted a counter suit claiming damages to the amount of \$125 for the damage to the surry and horses.

Mr. Gardner is represented by Mr. C. W. Tillett and Wadsworth's Sons by Burwell and Cansler and Mr. T. C. Guthrie.

The case promises to be a hard fought one and the verdict of the jury will be awaited with much interest.

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By Associated Press. Chicago, Jan. 15.—Richard G. Ivens, the self-confessed murderer of Mrs. Franklin Hollister, was subjected to a severe examination by the police. Ivens declared that he had no accomplice and committed the crime alone.

WASHINGTON PAPER HOTLY ATTACKED BY MR. BABCOCK

Mr. Babcock Rises to a Question of Personal Privilege, Says He Did not Wish the Chairmanship of the Appropriations Committee.

Two Resolutions Agreed to Regarding the Construction of the Battleships Connecticut and Louisiana. Philippine Tariff Debate Resumed.

By Associated Press. Washington, Jan. 15.—Mr. Babcock addressed the House on a question of personal privilege regarding the statement in a local newspaper entitled: "How came Babcock to rebel," and which gave as a reason for his opposition to joining Arizona and New Mexico as one State, his pique at not being made chairman of the appropriations committee. He had not wanted that chairmanship and had it been tendered him should have declined it, as I did not feel that under the circumstances I could have filled it to the satisfaction of the House."

Two resolutions were agreed to, calling on the Secretary of the Navy for certain information regarding the construction of the battleships Connecticut and Louisiana, building in the Brooklyn Navy Yard, and the Louisiana, building in a private yard.

The first resolution asks if, since February 1, 1905, there has been any delay in delivering the materials and armor to either ship and what action has been taken by the Navy Department to obviate this delay; the second resolution calls for the statement of any change of plans which may have been made in either ship and the cost of the same.

Debate Resumed. The debate on the Philippine Tariff bill was resumed. A word picture of the prosperity of the South was made by Mr. Lamb (Virginia) who will vote first for the minority substitute and in its defeat, for the majority bill. The tariff, he predicts will cause the downfall of the Republican party in the next presidential campaign.

RUSSIA LOSES \$171,300,000. Imperial Bank's Outstanding Notes Now Exceed Gold Reserve by \$151,300,000.

New York Jan 15.—According to the statement of the Imperial Bank of Russia of Dec. 1 last, the bank's home gold reserve a year ago exceeded outstanding notes by \$20,000,000. The note now exceed the home reserve by \$151,300,000. Between Nov. 14 and Dec. 1 the Imperial Bank lost \$27,000,000 in gold, while the outgo since the middle of September, when the political troubles really began, was \$45,000,000. Gold balances credited to the Imperial Bank on other European markets had increased \$20,000,000 between Sept. 14 and Nov. 14, but they dropped over \$32,000,000 between the November date and Dec. 1. Thus the bank lost in all, in November, \$59,000,000 gold.

In the 12 months preceding the Dec. 1 report, outstanding note circulation increased \$148,100,000, and home gold foreign gold credits increased \$30,000,000.

DR. HARPER'S FUNERAL. Body of the Late President of Chicago University Laid to Rest in Temporarily Vault.

Chicago, Jan. 15.—The body of William Rainey Harper, late president of the Chicago University, was laid to rest yesterday in a vault in Oakwoods Cemetery. The final resting place, while it will be on the university campus, where it is planned to build a memorial chapel and crypt.

The body lay in state in Haskell Hall from 8 o'clock until noon in the room heretofore used by the faculty meetings in administering the educational affairs of the university.

Addresses were delivered by President Wm. H. E. Faunce, of Brown University; Chancellor E. Benjamin Andrews, of the University of Nebraska; Dean Harry Pratt Judson, of the University of Chicago, and Dr. Lyman Abbott of New York.

The floral tributes were numerous and included wreaths from President Roosevelt and Emperor William of Germany.

The funeral procession from Mandell Hall to the cemetery consisted only of the trustees of the university, the family, a few personal friends and a large number of students.

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\$250,000 FIRE. In Tennessee, Fire Destroys Big Warehouse and Damages Milling Plant.

ASHEVILLE HAPPENINGS.

Assault On Customer—Coming Horse Show—Improvement On Fire Department—Gilliland Case Again—Other News Items.

Special to The News. Asheville, N. C., Jan. 15.—Ike Swartzberg, who is connected with the clothing establishment which flourishes in this city was arrested Saturday night for an assault upon a customer. It seems that Henry McKenzie, a boy employed at the Cherokee Marble Works of this city purchased a suit of clothes from "Ike" paying him \$8 for the same.

The boy proudly carried his possessions to his place of employment, when he was informed by the manager, S. C. Brink, an elderly man, that his purchase was very poor stuff. Mr. Brink also volunteered to assist the boy in getting his money back, and going to the clothing store, induced the salesman to take back the suit. He then turned to leave the store, when, it is alleged, the late Hebrew fell upon him tooth and nail, and kicked him from his establishment. Swartzberg was summoned to court.

The committee appointed by the Asheville Horse Show Association to arrange a list of prizes and entries for the next annual horse show, has completed its work and the class specifications and prizes are now given out. The next, the fourth annual horse show will be held April 24 and 25 and promises to be the most successful yet held. Last year, the event attracted much attention, and many exhibitors brought horses from a distance. This year greater efforts than ever are being put forth for the event and the list of prizes and classes is very complete.

The board of aldermen has finally decided to make the long expected improvements to the Asheville fire department which will give the city a sufficient corps of fire fighters to meet any conditions with which they will likely meet and put the department on a semi-paid basis.

It was yesterday learned that plans are now under way for seven new business buildings for Asheville, which will involve the expenditure of a great amount of money, and which will compare favorably with any other buildings of a like character in the city. They include five new store buildings, two stories in height, one three story office building, and a six story hotel building.

Information was received here from Candler, Buncombe county, yesterday that J. M. Powers of that place, a railroad contractor, was killed in an explosion at Bushnell, Swain county, his body being blown to pieces. He leaves a wife and family. He was engaged in construction work near Bushnell.

It is now certain that a number of citizens interested in the celebrated Gilliland mandamus case will carry their fight to exclude the five children of Robert Gilliland from the white schools of Buncombe county before the highest court in the State. These parties have made their appeal bond and their counsel have given notice of appeal.

Because of the allegation that these children were tainted with negro blood on their mother's side, they were excluded from the white schools, and in order to compel their admission, their mother and father instituted mandamus proceedings in the Superior Court. The case was bitterly fought, evidence was taken at great length, and at the conclusion of the hearing, the jury decided that the children were of unmixed white blood and entitled to admission.

After a number of conferences with various organ manufacturers, the board of students of Central Methodist church, whose new stone building, one of the handsomest in the State, has recently been completed, and thrown open to the public, has awarded the contract for a new pipe organ which it is stated will be by far the most elaborate in the State. The contract for the building was given to John Brown of Wilmington, Del., the celebrated organ builder.

NOTED EDITOR DEAD. Colonel Robert G. Lowe Died Today.

By Associated Press. Galveston, Texas, Jan. 15.—Col. Robert G. Lowe, owner and publisher of the Galveston News, died after a short illness. He was 70 years old.

FOUR KILLED IN BIG EXPLOSION. Captain J. W. Powers and Three Negroes Blown to Pieces in Fearful Explosion of 750 Pounds of Powder. Fragments of Body Scattered.

Special to The News. Asheville, N. C., Jan. 15.—It is learned here that in the powder explosion near Bushnell, N. C., Friday afternoon four men were killed, Capt. J. W. Powers, of Candler, N. C., and three negroes.

Seven hundred and fifty pounds of powder exploded with terrific effect. All were blown to pieces, fragments of flesh and bone being picked up for a long distance around the place of the explosion.

Only a piece of one and the upper lip and mustache of Captain Powers have been recovered. The scene of the explosion was the F. A. Luck construction camp in Swain county, on the Southern Railway, this being one of the construction camps of W. J. Oliver & Co., of Knoxville.

Mr. Sam S. Shuford, of Gastonia, spent today in the city on business.

ARGUMENT IN GREEN AND GAYNOR CASE WAS CONTINUED

The Demurrers to the Two Indictments Nos. 476 and 477 were Argued in Federal Court. Nature of the Indictments Against Green and Gaynor.

Col. Meldrin Demurred on Many Grounds. Argued that Indictments were Indistinct. Erwin Replied for Government Declaring Them to be Sufficient.

By Associated Press. Savannah, Jan. 15.—Demurrers to the two indictments returned against Greene and Gaynor last November, were argued upon the opening of the Federal Court, Col. P. W. Meldrin making the argument for the defendants.

These indictments are Nos. 476 and 477. No. 476 alleges the embezzlement in collusion and conjunction with former Captain Oberlin M. Carter and others on July 6, 1897, of \$345,000 and \$230,740. No. 477 is an indictment charging that the receiving of the money the defendants knew Carter to have embezzled.

Col. Meldrin demurred on many grounds, among them that the indictments failed to set out that the defendants were officers of any banking establishment, authorized to receive public moneys, and that they failed to set out when and where and how the moneys were fraudulently received and fraudulently paid out, also that they failed in the statements of facts, but alleged conclusions.

Special Assistant Attorney-General Erwin, responded for the Government, asserting that it would have been a physical impossibility to have entered into an exposition in detail, showing wherein the work done by the defendants differed from the specifications and that the indictments as drawn were good and sufficient.

Erwin's Contention. Mr. Erwin contended that the defendants aided and abetted in the embezzlement and were parties and accessories thereto and equally guilty. Upon Mr. Erwin's conclusion an adjournment was taken.

THE MCKELWAY SUIT. Will Be Heard at March Term of the Superior Court.

It has now been definitely decided that the suit of Dr. A. J. McKelway against the Observer Publishing Company will be heard at the March term of the Superior Court.

Counsel have agreed that this much-talked-of case will be heard the second Monday of court, which will be a two-weeks' term.

News readers will recall that Dr. McKelway is suing for \$50,000 damages because of the publication of a certain alleged injurious article that appeared in the Charlotte Observer and the Evening Chronicle.

NATIONAL RIVERS CONGRESS. Over 600 Delegates Were Present at Opening of Congress.

By Associated Press. Washington, Jan. 15.—Over 600 delegates were present at the opening of the National Rivers and Harbors Congress. This morning's session was devoted to perfecting the organization and the appointment of committees. This afternoon Representative Burton, of Ohio, chairman of the House Committee on Rivers and Harbors, addressed the Congress.

WINSLOW LEAVES CHARLESTON. Capt. Winslow, Commanding U. S. Cruiser Charleston, Leaves City, Followed by the Voices of Thousands, Who Brought Affectionate Farewell to City's Name.

Charleston, S. C., Jan. 15.—The United States Cruiser Charleston, Captain Winslow, which has been in port since Wednesday, sailed last night at sundown for Norfolk, passing out through the jetties and over the bar at dead low water, and without a pilot. Escorting the cruiser was the navy tug Sebago, Captain Nicholas, U. S. N. the mayor and the aldermen being aboard. The cruiser carries with her the magnificent punch bowl presented by the city. Twenty thousand people on the wharves and the Battery saw the beautiful ship steam out of the harbor, and shouted adieu while the whistles again sounded and a parting salute was fired. Before the ship returned the following wireless telegraph was received on the Battleship Texas.

U. S. Cruiser Charleston, Jan. 14, 5:45 p. m. "Admiral Dickens: 'Have crossed the bar and will head out' course, as we have had a goodbye to the Sebago. Make our farewell to hospitable Charleston. Plenty of water in channel at low water. 'WINSLOW'."

Later in the evening the mayor presented the following out from the Texas, hoping to catch the Charleston: "Congratulations to the people of Charleston and best wishes for your successful voyage. We thank you for going out of low water. Come back again and often. 'FRANKEL'."

In answer to the latter message came one from the Charleston timed 9:19 p. m. in which Captain Winslow said: "Congratulations undeserved for had there been any doubt as to the safety of the Charleston it would not have attempted to go out at low water." The message contained 19 words and concluded with "grateful acknowledgments of splendid hospitality accorded."