a Veterinary Hospital, at the of College and Second streets, greeted with a gentle whinny. Jute was that of a friend. On his eyes the reporter saw a interesting arrival. To the right, small lot, stood a large, badly grey mule, which was none than Bill Bailey, a victim of the fire that consumed 30 or more in Cochrane's stables, on North ber. The saving of Bill Bailey's has been a labor of love, and the sher will be rewarded for their and humane treatment of or dumb brute at the final bar efative, and the love that he of 13,190,956 bales. unifests for the friends in this terrible and misery is sweet to see. His fondness for those who doctored in the North, 1,173,842 bales; in the tratitude, one of the rarest qualities

The day of the fire Bill Balley and for four hours faithful firemen, regulars and volunteers, poured water on the roof that sheltered Bill Balley and his stall mate, trying to save the nb brutes from the horrible death that so many died that day. The black mule, whose name was Maud, fared better than Bill. She escaped with a fearfully scorched back, but Bill, poor old Bill Bailey, was roasted from the tip end of his nose to the tip of his tail. He was a solid scab, and as he ambled out of the death hole his ambled out of the death hole his friends did not know him. The fine coat of gray hair that covered his fat other delicate parts were parched, and

and unsightly.

in and he was a stench in the nosfaithfully with him, poured gallons of his aching, smarting sides, nd making him as comfortable as fined Donaldson \$10 in the first case possible. His suffering was intense and \$5 and the costs in the second and his pitiful groans could be heard case. or many blocks. It would have been brough his heart or brain and ended his wretched existence, but that would Southern nd considerable money on the mule and did, for a long time, but the drain were sent to jail. too great and they abandoned Hundreds of farmers saw Bill and declared that he would never recover. He was considered lost. But the Fishers did not give him up; they ught bravely on to allay his pain though a mule he was, responded to State and county tax required of all their treatment and seemed grateful. In money-lending concerns and with failing to pay the license tax also required after the fire curious people quired. After hearing the evidence in ould go and look at him, turning seir heads away doubtfully. To some Dr. Fisher would say: "He'll live and grow a new coat of hair and then I will exhibit him at the Mecklenburg by and I am going to do my best for

Bill Balley is very much alive today. He has grown a new skin, covered over with a soft, thick coat of fron gray hair, and he is as chipper as a school boy in May. He waxes familiar and pleasant with those who lotte some time in February. Charlotte treat him well, but he likes not ne- music lovers will then have the opporgroes and dogs, the one he will chase tunity of hearing one of the world's and bite and the other he will pounce notables in the realm of music. Then, upon with his feet. Bill is no, vis-clous, but mischevious. He is like a ed" without citing someone else's opingrown man, who is nearing the day ion on the subject. The date and when he can leave the hospital after other details will be announced later. a long and serious illness, from which he has almost entirely recovered. When Bill Bailey snaps at a negro brat it is not because he would pinch him and see the blood run from an ugly and, but for the simple reason that he likes to see him scamper away.
If the doctor calls, Bill Balley answers, and if the doctor leads the way Bill Balley will follow. Dr. Fisher and his patient are on

the best of terms; they caress each other. Bill has become fat and slick and round; his general health is good, and he would look handsome if his did not look like the ones that are usually found on fighting coon dogs, for they are nipped and crimped at the top. One eye was lost in the fire and the other was slightly damaged, but Bill is a fine looking mule from the shoulders back. His nose le hairless, and has four holes where two ought to be Morning, noon and night Bill ca-

vorts, stands on his hind legs and kicks for the fun of the thing. He makes much ado when he sees his food coming and whitneies at the sight

jaws of death. His day had arrived but the doctors saved him. He will appear on the streets of Charlotte when the spring time comes, and other smiles and horses will laugh at the until they hear his story, and then he will be a hero. He is eight years old, weighs 1,100 pounds and is more than 15 hands high. He is good for many years. Two decades from now, when Charlotle covers half of Mecklenburg inty, Bill Balley, the old crop cared

mile, will be pointed out to children
as a relic of the disasterous livery
mable fire of 1905.
Across the way from Bill Balley is
a string of patients. The pretty bay
horse in the front stall is recovering
from a severe case of the strangles, an
intertional disaster, which is brought in ss disease, which is brought in y new horses. A great number of n a neighboring stail is a Huntersville a convalescent from a serious norse, a convalencent from a serious attack of pneumonia. The next fellow, a big black draught horse, is being treated for side bones. There are many others.

Dr. Fisher's hospital is one of the

interesting places in town, Ev-sort of walking animal, except is treated there. One den, is treated there. One day, not ago, a big negro walked into Dr. her's office and asked; "Will you e me here, doctor, I'm sick."

o was offered a stall but declined.

May Live 100 Years.

chances for living a full cenare excellent in the case of Mrs.
a Duncan, of Haynesville, Me.,
b years old. She writes: "Eleclitters cured me of Chronic
posts of 20 years standing, and
me feel as well and strong as
no girl." Electric Bitters cure
th and Liver diseases, Blood
nt, General Debility and bodily
a Soid on a guarantee at
Jorian & Co.'s drug store,
nty 100.

hoved open the front door of Those who believed such, and backed eral changes in the personnel of their belief with their money reaped a harvest. There were many, however, who believed that yesterday's report would be in the neighborhood of 9, 900,000 and these were very sadly disappointed. One cotton merchant was heard to declare that he was expecting something very close to the 10,000,000

of the year. The total crop will probably be something more than 10,000-000 bales.

Last year, the cotton mills of the ment. The old gray mule is mills utilized 8.745,216, making a total

The recent estimates for the past of exceeding interest. And what is betsenson show that the mills have taken, ter, there is the promise of more to m shows that the lower animal has South, 772,000, while the European mills have taken 3,641,666, making a AN EX-CONVICT DEMANDS \$5,000. total crop of 5,586,908 bales.

ther mule, both the property of the not larger, than last year. The crop, P. Messick Grocery Company were as shown by all of the estimates and erally baked before they could be reports, is short. It is believed that there is to be a deficit of at least 3,-000,000 bales. There are but two Clarkson & Duls. Mrs. Nancy H. things that can be done, if the farmers Cathey, has entered suit against the hold their cotton for the higher figure. Either the mills will have to pay the price or shut down. The last they will not do except unless pushed to the wall.

IN THE CITY POLICE COURT.

Cleve Donaldson the Star Performer are asked. -His Offenses-Two Dusky Damsels Charged With Stealing Coal.

ides was gone, and the skin had been former in the city police court yester-mined off in many places and the day morning. Cleve is an old offender former in the city police court yester-ex-convict, through his attorney, Mr. day morning. Cleve is an old offender Brevard Nixon, is suing Mr. P. H. flesh cooked. The tip end of his ears, and the spectators in the court room the tender skin of his nostrils, and were not surprised when Chief Irwin's sonorous voice called his name. There me eye had been completely destroyed. were two charges: assaulting Mary of court. In the complaint McDow alm fact, the old gray mule had little Armstrong and being drunk and disfact, the old gray mule had little Armstrong and being drunk and dis-of his former self. He was raw orderly. There was abundant evidence substantiate both charges. days and nights he was more had indulged too freely and the fire-For days and nights he was more had indulged too it rect, and the dead than allve; putrifaction had set water put him in a fighting mood. In this condition he went to the home of ils, but the faithful doctors labored the Armstrong woman and proceeded to satisfy his mood upon her. After hearing the evidence the court

Beatrice Withers and Sallie Jeeter. ich easier to send a quick pistol ball two dusky damsels, were arraigned on the charge of stealing coal from the Southern Railway. The evidence have been cruel, unChristian-like. The against them was conclusive and they s of Bill Balley were willing to were bound over to the Superior Court In default of a bond of \$25 each, they

Beck & Company, money-lenders, represented by Mr. F. M. Dobbs, the local agent and manager, were arraigned before 'Squire Hilton yesterad restore him to health. Bill Bailey, day on two charges: failing to pay the quired. After hearing the evidence in the case the magistrate bound the defendants over to the Superior Court, requiring a bond of \$200. The case was brought to the attention of the court by George Jackson, colored, who mother, who died last week, excessive

> Rubinstein to Play in Charlotte. Prof. Don Amati Richardson an-

Charlotte cotton men were exceedingly interested in the report on cotton issued by the government yesterday. There was much speculation as to the figures, more so perhaps than at any recent estimate. The figures of the national ginners, issued last week, were taken as a basis and there were were taken as a basis and there were of items of interest are to be presented. eral changes in the personnel of the committees that make up the commis sion. Mr. J. P. Wilson's retirement necessitates the appointment of a new fleved that Mr. J. I. Blakely is to be named for this important position. It has been rumored that another mem ber of the commission is to resign his position. If such report be true, then The census report places the figures the formal request will likely be made at 9.721.773 bales gianted up to the first at this meeting of the board. It will then be referred to the aldermen for action, and the usual steps will be taken to appoint a successor. Those who have been watching the trend of North used 2,282,145; those in the political events during the past month South 2,163,505, while the European or more, especially, pertaining to the police, fire and health commission, have been furnished with much that is

Certainly the demand is as large, if Sues P. H. Hartman et al., of Rowan County, for Alleged Brutal Treatment Received While One of the Convicts.

Through her attorneys, Seaboard Air Line for damages to her land in Paw Creek township caused by the firing of 15 acres of timber on April 5th, 1904. The sparks are alleged to have come from one of the freight trains which was passing along

The summons was issued yesterday in an action which promises to be of Cleve Donaldson was the star per-exceeding interest. Frank McDow, an Hartman et al, of Rowan county, for alleged cruel and inhuman treatment while serving a sentence under order shovel from the 9th of December to the 6th of January while his hands were lacerated and swollen in a terrible condition. He alleges further that he repeatedly complained and made protests which were passed by unheeded. He asks for \$5,000 damages. The case will be tried at the March term of Mecklenburg Superior Court.

Mattress Factory Occupies New Quar-

The Charlotte Mattress Manufacturing Company, which has been in operation at the corner of Seventh and the railroad for the past several months. has moved into a new building near the corner of First and the railroad. where, in the future, the plant will be located. This is one of the prosperous small enterprises of which there are quite a number in the city. Mr. A. D. Williams, who has been traveling representative of the concern for some time, has resigned his position to take effect at once. He will go to Norfolk. Va., and will there go into business on his own account

Jasper Miller & Son to Move. Jasper Miller & Son, dealers in cotton waste, who for the past several months have been occupying quarters over Durham & Klueppelberg's whole-College and Fourth streets, have rented the vacant store at No. 204 South College street and will move in next week. This is done so as to secure additional floor space for the accommonounces that he will have the great dation of their growing trade in cot-Russian pianist, Rubinstein, in Char-ton waste.

> Don't let your face grow old, sallow, hollow and wrinkled. care at all for beauty, take Hollister's Rocky Mountain Tea. 35 cents, Tea or Tablets. R. H. Jordan & Co.

Miss Aice Pearson Critically III.

Miss Aice Pearson, a well-known woman of the State, is very ill at St. Peter's Hospital. She had a stroke of paralysis Monday night, at her room at the home of Miss Sallie Phillips, on East Sixth street, and continues very III. She was removed to the hospital yesterday. Miss Pearlikely son was once a teacher in St. Mary's College at Raieigh. She is a niece of former Governor John W. Ellis, her mother being his sister. She is about the continues of the sevent a brother. She is distanting the continues of the sevent a brother. She is distanting the continues of the sevent a brother. She is distanting the continues of the sevent a brother. She is distanting the continues of the sevent a brother. She is distanting the continues of the sevent a brother. She is distanting the continues of the sevent a brother. She is distanting the sevent as t ly related to Mrs. Sarah Virginia Young, Mr. T. H. Galther and Capt, S. A. Kelly, of this city.

> To Remodel Barber Shop. Thad Tate, a well-known barber, is to remodel his barber shop throughout. He has ordered new chairs, new mirrors, and all that goes to make an up-to-date shop of the kind. The new

> furnishings are expected in a week

and the new barber parlor will be in operation by the 20th of the month.

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or the first time in several weeks.

I then bought a dozen bottles, and took nineteen bottles before I stop-ped. My condition was brought on by malarial fever, which I had con-tracted in Texas fifteen years ago,

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