### CHARLOTTE, N. C., SUNDAY MORNING, FEBRUARY 4, 1906.

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# Observer Bureau, 122 South Dawson Street, Raleigh, Feb. 3.

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the obstruction of water-ways, through which the shad and herring make their progress to the spawning grounds, and warreas it is made clear Knoxville, Tenn., Feb. 3.-In inner railroad circles it is believed that the Seaboard Air Line is seeking an en-trance into Knoxville. In the past two weeks, two parties of railroaders have visited this section in charge of the superintendent of the Tennessee & North Carolina Railroad, a projected line which extends from Newport to Waynesville, N.C. On each occasion the party has been driven some dis-tance from the city and has apparently been inspecting routes of entrance. If the Seaboard is interested the road would have to build from Rutherford-ton, N. C. to Waynesville, where it could use the Tennessee & North Car-olina's tracks. A survey has been made from this city to Newport for a line which is believed to have a con-nection with the enterprise. 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Mistrial Ordered in Case of Mitchell vs. Southern Bailway. Special to The Observer. Special to The Observer: Greensboro, Feb. 5.—The special two-weeks term of Gullford Superior Court adjourned this atternoon. The case of Mary M tokiell va. the Southern Railway Company was given to the jury at noon, and, after deliberating for five hours, they asnounced that they could not agree. Judge Cooke ordered a mistrial. The plaintiff was given judgment in the case of the Southern Life & Trust Company vs. C. D. Benbow for the amount of a note for \$1,350. The defendant ap-pealed. The detense took appeals in the cases of W. I Toung vs. the Southern Kallway Company and Glenn Hayes vs. the Southern Railway Com-pany, the plaintiffs in both cases hav-ing been swarded comages. Targart's letters to me all I know, ex-cept press reports." (Signed) "J. C. OTTS." Judge Webster was seen to-day and was informed of the further turn af-fairs had taken, but had nothing to say for publication. WILL RETURN TO GAFFNEY. Attorneys of Her Native Town Volun-teer to Aid Miss Pauline Webster in Procuring Her Property. Special to The Observer, Kansas City, Feb. 5.- Miss Pauline Webster to-day apnounced that she would return to Gaffney, S. C., as soon as she recovers from her illness pposed Insane Woman Garb Arrested. te, the result of such investigation as made public as rapidly as pos-both in special publications and the press of the State. Sight, that the work continue on general mineral resources of the te, particularly in the Piedmont ties, and that special work be car-Garb Arrested. Cape Charles, Va., Feb 3-Mrs. Allo Rennabaum, of Middlesboro, Kr. dresswed in male attire, was arrested bere to-day and lodged in jail at East ville, Va., to await the arrival of he husband, A. H. Rennabaum, who i purchased on Monday Mrs. Descent employed no lawyer in Kansas City to look after my interests and I have not authorized any one to employ an at-terney for me. Any person or persons who may be claiming to act as at-torneys for me are doing so unbolicit-ed and gratuitously and need not ex-pect remuneration. Mr. J. C. Otts, presecuting attorney at Gaffney, S. C., where my proprity is located, has volunteerd to see that I get in full possession of my rights without it costing me a cent. Other lawyers there have voluntarily made the same offers, consequently I need no legal counsel here." husband, A. H. Rannabaum, who expected on Monday. Mrs. Rennabau says she escaped from the Centr State Asylum at Lakeland, Ky., which institution she was placed so eral months say, and that her hu band is a wealthy coal operator. eatures of the meeting was a i

FRANCO-GERMAN STRAIN GROW Moroccan Conference Finds Auelf on the Verge of the Real Issue In-roired, That of Control of Mo-roccan Police, and All Efforts to Secure Accord Have Falled-Little Chance Now to Avers Open Con-troversy and Possible Deadlock-Restrictions on Country's Exports to be Done Away With. Algeeiras, Feb. 3.-The conference m Moroccan reforms has now been

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es of Trial to the Public In These Days of Loot is Out as Offset to Boredom or Chief Clerk Under Carter -Former Chief Clerk Under Carter Makes Exposures, Savannah, Ga., Feb. 2.--Eut one wit-

ican occupied the stand during today's session of the Federal Court in the case against Greens and Gaynor. This was J. W. O. Sterley, whose fa-miliarity with dates and other infor-mation respective river and backers mation regarding river and harbor ontracts and improvements was flown to be so intimate as to call orth a comment from the court touch-

ing the excellent memory of the wit-ness. Mr. Sterley was unshaken in his at-iftude of condemnation of methods that were followed by Captain Carter. The witness was chief clerk under Captain Carter and his immediate pre-decessor, and he retained the post un-der succeding beads of the Savannah district. On adjourning until Monday, Judge Speer said in part: "Gentiemen of the jury: It is most important that both you and I should every day strive fully to realize the

ground will be found that a middle propriated for the construction of the ceptable to both countries; but they admit the extreme difficulty of find-ing such a ground owing to the firm-neus both France and Germany thus far have shown against making con-cessions.

trial. "New I know this task which has fallen to your lot is laborous and pain-ful. It is particularly hard for you to be away from your homes at this season of the year. It is hard on all of us. You must, however, think of the patriotic and conspicuous charac-ter of the service to the entire coun-try we are called upon to perform."

### ATTORNEY INDIGNANT.

Gaffney Lawyer Denics That He Com-municated With Miss Pauline Websier Regarding Her Property Interests.

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Special to The Observer. Gaffney, S. C., Feb. 3.-The an-nouncement in the press to-day of the

rescue of Miss Pauline Webster by two policemen in Kansas City caused

webster by long distance telephone and letter was also a matter of interest to many. Mr. J. C. Jefferies, who, the dispatch stated, told Miss Web-ster over the "phone to hold her prop-

JAMES COMBS ARRESTED MILLION BUSHELS BURN THE PLOT HAS THICKE WITNESS HAS BEEN IN HIDING BIG WHEAT ELEVATOR'S FATE THIRD-TERMERS MAY HE

Alleged Notorions Distiller, Wanted as Important Witness in Samuel Trial, Caugint at Wilkesboro and Released on \$5,000 Bond -- Has Been in Hiding Since Court Con-vened-Rests Under Street Indiot-ments-Witness Testilics That it Was Generally Understood That Distiller Who Voted Republican Ticket Operated Withous Molesta-tion.

special to The Observer. Greensboro, Feb. 3 .-- The defense in-

troduced eight character witnesses in the G. W. Samuel trial in Federal Court this morning as follows: O. H. Blevins, G. O. Anderson, John Glass, D. J. Myres, David Minks, H. C. Eller, Jr., and Charles H. Cowles, The most important of these was Cowles, who said he had heard frequently of the illicit distilling in Wilkes county before the distilleries were destroyed, but that his information came more freely because he came in contact with a great many people, all over the county, as Republican chairman of the eighth congressional district and as a candidate for a seat in the Legislature. The witness also testified that it seemed to be generally understood that all a man would have to do in

order to operate an illicit distillery without being molested was to vote the Republican ticket. He stated that Samuel's character as an official was good, as far as he knew. Court remained in session only about one hour, adjournment being taken

until Monday morning at 10 o'clock. James Combs, who is reported to be one of the most notorious illicit dis tillers in Wilkes, was arrested in Wilkesboro at \$:39 o'clock last night while in consultation with his uncle and his counsel, W. W. Barber, Esq. Combs has been in hiding since the bills of indictment were found against him by the grand jury of the special term of Federal Court here last September. The arrest was made by Deputy Sheriff George P. Crutchfield,

an instanter capias, issued during the present special term of court. Rufus Combs, his uncle, became surety on his bond of \$5,000 and he was released.

He arrived here at noon to-day, ac-companied by his counsel. Combs is under indictment charged with illicit distilling, conspiracy, etc., and it is understood that he will be an important witness for the defense in the Samuel trial, which has been in progress nearly three weeks. In the course of the trial it has developed that Combs' name has appeared as informer of more than 30 illicit distil-leries, for which a check of \$10 was issued in each instance. Shortly after he was indicted last fall, the government offered a reward of \$50 for his capture, which reward was later in-creased to \$200. This amount will be paid to the officers making the arres

HOPE TO AVERT MINE STRIKE

Mighty Pillar of Fire by Night at East St. Louis, Entailing Loss of Over \$1,000,000, Besides Destruc-tion of Near-By Stables, With 200 Horses and Wreaking Other Haved —Firemen's Efforts Directed To-ward Preventing Spread of Flames —Engine House Origin of Fire. East St. Louis, Ill., Feb. 3.-The Union Elevator, containing a million bushels of wheat, was destroyed by fire to-night, entailing a loss of more than \$1,000,000. The fire spread to the stables

of the St. Louis Transfer Company, and 200 horses and 200 wagons were burned, as well as the stables. The fire started in a brick engine house 30 feet from the elevator. Before the arrival of the fire department the flames had spread to the elevator. Assistance was sent from St. Louis and the efforts of the firemen were principally warehouses, the Union Elevator having been converted into a furnace within a few minutes after it caught fire.

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Seven dwelling houses were destroyed, being covered with burning oil by the explosion of four tanks. The occupants of the houses escaped unhurt. The oil tanks which exploded were standing nearly 400 yards north of the elevator. They belonged to the Waters-Pierce Oll Company.

## AN INFURIATED COW.

She Inflicts Painful Injuries on Salisbury Child-Increase in Postoffice Receipts.

Special to The Observer.

Salisbury, Feb. 3.-An infuriated cow yesterday inflicted severe injuries upon little Eva, the six-year-old daughter of Mr. George Jones, of Chestnut Hill, a of Greensboro, who went to Wilkes-boro yesterday as a special govern-ment officer. Combs was arrested on suburb of Salisbury. The child was walking in a path when attacked by the and had immediate medical attention given the injured little one. She will wear marks for life, but her injuries will not be worse than this.

Dave Oestricher, one of the city's most progressive young business men, has rentd the store-room, formerly occupied by Mrs. L. Fink, as a mininery swarp atty enlarges his quarters. He will greatly increase the stock, dealing wholly in dry Balley's candidacy for the collect Mrs. L. Fink, as a millinery store, and National Committeeman Duncan,

goods. The substantial growth of Salisbury is still attested in the postoffice recipts, which have, throughout the year, been in a 54 per cent. excess of previous years. January, 1905, passes the \$2,000 mark, the highest yet reached, since Salisbury be-same a city, 190 years ago. The clerical force is being constantly snarged.

\$140,000 FIRE AT VALDOSTA, GA.

Buggy Plant, Railroad Freight Depot

newer Hurry-Up Ington—President on Sending in Nomination Holton, Millitan and Responsiment—What Reappointment—What Will A About Definite Promise to A Wagner Marshal?—Both Side pleased—The Situation Co cated.

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BY W. A. HILDEBRAND.

Observer Bureau, 1417 G Street, N. W. Washington, Peb. 1 Senator Simmons, speaking of press reports in The Post of yesters of his speech at the banquet mington, on the evening of the line uit., said that he was not rep with entire accuracy, and that this inaccuracy was doubtless due to the attempt to abreviate and generalize directed toward preventing the fire certain specific statements made by spreading to adjoining elevators and him. He said that what he did say on him, he said that subject covered the phase of the subject covered the report was, in substance, that attitude toward this great enterp was entirely sympathetic and that is rumors and statements which is found their way into the press of I country had, at one time, lead him fear the conditions in the isthmus we bad and that he was glad to be at to say as the result of the hearin before the committee on inter-ocean canals, including much evidence in the chief officials in charge of work on the isthmus, he had been is to believe that, while mistakes in been made and errors committed an some things done there that were su ject to just critician, upon the who was entirely sympathetic and the some things done there that the way ject to just criticism, upon the way taking everything into considerat we were getting on fairly well on isthmus, and that, speaking genera the present conditions down the all right. He said that he conf expressed the opinion that all doubt to the feasibility of the successful co struction of the canal had been i moved and that, in that connec complimented very highly the co ency and efficiency of the chief e animal and fearful marks were made on gineer, Mr. Stevens, and commended her face. Mrs. Jones fought the beast off in terms of congratulation the weal and

energy of the President in behalf of this great undertaking. Politicians representing every shade of Tar Heel Republican thought, gathered here to-day. The Raisight Hotel was made the stamping ground for both day and night conferences. There was Chairman Rol

ship, and H. S. Harkins, the present ollector, who is shifting for him On the other hand, there was i gressman Blackburn and his c lieutenants, G. Sam Bradshaw, c of The Tar Heet, and Clint Was It became apparent, very early in day, that something decidedly out

the ordinary was impending, for i a hurry-up call that brought the together. They had made the di ery that President his cue from the Department of Jus-tice and the Treasury Department, was on the point of sending in the nominations of District Attorney Hotton and Marshal Milijkan and about concluded to leave Colle Harkins undisturbed. Friends of the present office holder have represented to Department off cials that much confusion necessarily follow, should any ch be made at this time, and the Pre dent is inclined to the opinion the public service would suffer, si there be any swapping of horses middle of the stream, or in the even new men are appointed while the rev new men are appointed while the enue officers are on trial at Greens-boro. It is understood that the De-partment of Justice has also been inf the believe that there, may be still partment of Justice has also been to to believe that there may be atti-other indictments if present officer are not molested and that the govern-ment has much to gain in a financia way. The "oute" laugh cynically a this proposition and say the govern-ment is not overly consistent in talk-ing about purifying the revenue scr ment is not overly consistent in tailing about purifying the revenue service, with a collecter who commission ed the men who have been guilty all the reacality thus far uncerthe and with a district attorney who d not discover anything wrong int hear the close of his term, when i wanted a reappointment, and, afte the friction arcse between him an Congressman Blackburn and then of ers, declares that Rollins has throw fat into the fire. Those taking th point of view say that not only Colles for Harkins but Messers. Holton an Millikan expressed a willingness to re-tire from service if the rest of th third-termers were to go, but M would return to Gattney, S. C., as soon as she recovers from her illness caused by her recent exciting experi-ences. She is now nider a physician's Care. She caused to he published to-day in the KAmas City newspapers a statement i part as follows: "I have employed no lawyer in Kamasa City to Miler in Quarters." Dook after my interests and I have not authorized any one to employ an at-terney for me. Any person or persons who may be claiming to act as at-terney for me. Any person or persons several of the "ins," while ville postoffice contest was went ahead and subscribed is in The Industrial News and sideration, they feel, shou their "calling and election so fact, this was part of th desiring a change now come around to their t but their fear is that ingly too late. He was House twice to-day. him but m and Mr. B said that he tention to the Republicans

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Vashington Feb. 5.--Various phas-of the railroad rate question were reshed over in the House to day in o course of nine speeches which oc-pled six and a half hours. This neitides the fifth day of the dis-stion but the end is not yet. Many unbers on both sides of the House dire to record their views, and gen-al debate will be allowed to con-

hus. Mr. Clayton, of Alabania, said that is legislation, fr principle, was as as the common law. Mr. Henry, Texas, showed how it was support-by the consilitation and its supporttion and the courts

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erty, as it was worth fully \$10,000, was seen this morning. He was indignant at the report and says that it is faise. He says he did not telephone Miss Webster nor did he care to. He further stated that he did not go a any business in such a manner. was impossible to get a detailed state-ment from Mr. Jefferies, as he was just on the eve of leaving the city. Mr. J. C. Otts, the other attorney mentioned in the dispatch as having written Mrs. Anna Taggart, the police matron, in Kansas City, a letter offer-ing to advance Miss Webster transpor-tation to Gaffney and to see that she gets her full interest in the estate, is a representative from Cherokee in the Legialature and is absent from the city attending the sessions of the Gen-eral Assembly in Columbia. The Observer's correspondent which him to-day, asking what truth there was in the newspaper accounts, so far as he was concerned. He was not located in Columbia, as he had left for this city. However, a telegram to him at Spartanburg brought the following reply: "Received letter from Mrs. Taggart asking me to take charge of case and advance cash to bring her home. Agreed to do so on conditions. Mrs.

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Sides Before Leaving Indiampolis —Mine Workers to Raise \$2,500,-000 Strike Fund by \$1 a Week Levy on Each Member.

Indianapolis, Feb. 3.-The national executive board of the United Mine Workers of America met behind closed doors this morning and remained in session until this evening. Routine business was transacted. A special levy of \$1 a week on each member of the organization to create a strike fund was discussed informally and no action was taken. There is an intimaaction was taken. There is an intima-tion that pressure has been exerted on some of the board members to cut the proposed assessment in two. There is little likelihood that this will be done. Secretary W. B. Wilson is especially determined that the funds thus raised shall be at least \$2,500,000 and the other particular different and and the other national officers and a majority of the board members

a majority of the board members are of the opinion that this sum will not be found too large if a strike is declared on April 1. According to the figures at the headquarters of the Mine Workers, a general strike on Mine Workers, a general strike on April 1 would bring out of the mines 620,000 men, if the non-union miners of West Virginia, numbering 150,000, could be induced to strike with the union men of the other districts. The last of the operators and miners left for their homes to-day, leaving

only the members of the national ex-ecutive board of the Mine Workers here, There was a feeling of optimism among both operators and miners when they left. Few expressed a be-lief that there would be a strike. though no one ventured to predict the means by which a strike would be averted.

Miller in Quarters. Patrolmen Mack Earnhardt and Summerrow last evening arrested Joa Owens, who is charged with a deadly assault on Lillie Grier and an assault on Frank Davis. The assault on the Grier woman was committed in Oc-tober, 1904, and since that time Owens had made himself scarce in these re-gions. A few days ago, however, thinking the matter had been forgot-tan, he returned to the city, with the result that he was nabled last night. He will receive a hearing before Re-corder Shannonhouse to-morrow morn-ing.

ing. An occupant of a cell at the police station last night was Simp Linder, one of the oldest and most persistant patrons of the police department. In the cell next to Linder was Charles Miller Linder was drunk and he and Miller had "mixed." And Linder got the worst of the "inixing," having been knocked down and out. Joe Hoyle, a white man, was sleep-ing off the effects of an overdose of the cook's medicine, the iron onge he-ing the same to him as a handsomely furnished chamber.

FIRE AT GEORGIA NORMAL.

Valdosta, Ga., Feb. 2.—A fire start-ing shortly after noon to-day in the paint shop of the Henderson-Cranford Buggy Company caused a loss of \$140,000. The property destroyed, be-sides the plant of the buggy company.

included the Georgia Southern Rallroad freight depot, eight loaded cars, 16 cottages, the Valdosta Laundry, and Armour Company's warehouse. The heaviest losers are the Hender son-Cranford Buggy Company, which carried a stock valued at \$60,000 and occupied a building worth \$30,000. The company carried insurance for about two-thirds of this loss. The railroad losses were from \$15,000 to \$20,000 Much of the merchandise in the depot was carried out, though considerably damaged.

MR. CLARKSON SPEAKS.

The Solicitor Addresses Gathering of Cotton Growers at Concord.

Cotton Growers at Concord. Special to The Observer. Concord, Feb. 8.—At the cotton growers' meeting here to-day, Solicitor Heriot Clarkson made a splendid apoech to the farmers. He strongly upheld the organi-sation and made a masterly plea for King Cotton. The association estended him a unanimous vote of thanks for the speech. A resolution was adopted to the effect that the acreage be reduced 5 per cent. from that of 1904. Mr. S. S. McWhirter was re-elected county organizer and wiff proceed with the duties of his office.

Big Vanderbilt Auto to Have Special Trial. Daytona, Fla., Feb. 8. -- Alfred

Gwynne Vanderbilt's 250 horse-power automobile, which was not gotten in condition for racing in time to par-

Ticket Scalper Gets \$100 Fine and Ten Days in Jail.

Ten Days in Jail. Jacksonville, Fla., Feb. 3.—Frank Mehlig, a tleket broker, who was last Wednesday adjudged in contempt of court for violating the order of the United States District Court enjoining him from buying or selling contract railroad tickets or the return coupons of such tickets, was fo-day fined 3100 and costs and sentenced to imprison-ment in Duval county jall for ten days by Judge Boardman, presiding over the United States District Court.

Case Remanded to State Courts.

Special to The Observer. Special to The Observer. Asheville, Feb 2.-Judge Pritchard late yesterday afternoon rendered his decision in the case of Mary S. Pen-land against the J. S. Kent Company and Kope Ellas. The case came be-fore Judge Pritchard on a motion to remand to the State courts. His honor ardered that the case go back to the State courts and the fligstion will be thrushed out in the Superior Court of Yancey county.

Verdict for \$2.000