ich a job.

"What about the baby?" asked the

man with the pencil. My name is Annie Holt," declartshing Mills there. On the 12th day of last December a white woman giving same as Helen Jones Smith, gave ne a six-day old infant boy, and askme to keep it until she called for I kept the child until last Saturday when it was taken away from North Carolina Children's Home So-The clerk of the court of Guil-

You are required forthwith, me No. 7 of the Steel & Iron Works ek, of which return a notice on the parties, plain- Shannonhouse and defendant.

Charlotte. Here is the last one at I had from her: 'Charlotte, Jan. Annie, Oh, Annie, I have had h a time since I was at your e. I drove out in the country to B cow a farmer had to sell. rse ran away with us and I was out and almost killed. feed Annie, it is a miracle that I

m alive to-day. Do take care of baby. They said I iked of it all the time I was de-rious. I would say "Annie, does the ow give enough milk for baby?"
stother came and had me removed hospital here: I can't move self yet, but I do not think that I n hurt as bad as even the doctors hink I am. At first they told my brother that I could not live. Take care of baby and as soon as

chief comes I will send you theck. However, I will send you whatever they give me to spend here each

"If anyone troubles you, why, just get on the train and come to me. As iong as I live don't give up the baby. I may get well rapidly or it may be a long, long time. Any time you get tired of the baby, bring it here and Mrs. Belk will keep it for me.

"If you keep the little fellow alive

I will give you something as long as I Hve. "'Don't give up baby, My hand is

If anything happens, bring baby

"I have walked until my tongue is hanging out," continued the negress, and visited every hospital but I cannot find that woman. No such per-son has been in any of the Charlotte hospitals. I have spent \$5 trying to find her and now I am going back home. I wish if you locate her you would let me hear from you. I have and gotten nothing in return. It was from me Saturday and now I want something for my pains and

"Was this woman, Helen Jones Smith the mother of the child?" was naked. "No, she said not. She told me that ne woman had given the child to her three days before I got it. The mother of the child was a 14-year-old girl who lived in Raleigh. I got the baby fourth handed. The Smith woman came to me and asked me to go to Concord with her and nurse the baby but I told her that I could not go but would keep the baby until she came

"Helen Jones Smith is a tall woman with piqued face and long nose, and dark brown hair and walks fast. This is a very strange case. The Greensboro special in The Observer of Menday had this paragraph:

Menday had this paragraph:
"The North Carolina Children's
Home Society is now in possession of
the two-months-old infant which was
left under rather peculiar circumstances during the Christmas holidays at the home of a colored woman named Nancy Holt. Upon application of Brown & Kuykendall, attorneys for the society, Clerk of the Court Nelson yesterday signed a decree or-dering that the child be turned over to the society. Deputy Sheriff Weatherly served the papers and secured the served the papers and secured the child, giving it to Superintendent W. B. Streeter, at the Guilford-Benbow, there it will be kept until it is given into the care of some good family. The negro woman is at a loss to know what has become of Helen Jones smith. She believed firmly that she would find her here, and was very uch worried and disappointed at failing to find her.

Three questions present themselves connection with the story: "Who Heleb Jones Smith and where is Who is the woman that gave the baby? Who is the 14-year-

her the bab The case is shrouded in mystery. A letter written by Annie Holt to Helen Jones Smith Saturday was in the post-office here yesterday morning. It had not been called for. The police officers know nothing of such a person.

The foregoing letter is written in a legible hand and the words are spelled correctly. The writer must have more than a common school education.

than a common school education.

WHAT HURTS CHARLOTTE

Charlotte Mill Loses Customer Beuse Yarus May be Received From agland Quicker Than From Charlotte-The Delay in Transmission of Freight.

The ordinary citizen hardly realizes baneful effect upon local manu-turing enterprises caused by the testal delay in the transmission of t. A prominent mill man was to remark a few days ago that ad lost one of his best customers as Jersey simply because ships could be delivered with greater smitr and more quickly from im. England, than they could be Charlotte. The natural result is his customer is now buying all a rarus abroad. This Charlotte factors stated that 21 days were only required for cars to be earliening from Charlotte to the mill from Sew Fark and other North-

Observer building late yesterday years and until 5 years ago was as strong, accompanied by a short, looking, well-dresed mulatto won. The callers were referred to a greer who was hunting for just in a job.

What about the baby?" asked the was builded well asked to have grieved as if one of their own number had been called to the great beyond. "Jack Wallace" was buried and flowers were placed upwas buried and flowers were placed upon his grave. A stone should be placed ed the woman," and I live at Greens- to mark the spot where lies the oldest bero. My husband works in the Fin- and one of the most faithful dogs that

IN THE CITY POLICE COURT.

Segroes in a Fracas—Two White Boys Lectured and Let Off on the Condition That Their Mothers Ad-minister the Required Panishment, Recorder F. M. Shannonhouse had an easy berth yesterday morning. The county had the following paper docket in the city police court was a slender affair, consisting of only two cases. In the first case Nathan Lindake into your possession one white male child, of about the age of two months and eight days, of name and arentage unknown, now in the custody and possession of George Holt and Nancy Holt, colored, his wife, at the Steph for the Steph for Works.

Two diminutive white how were Two diminutive white boys were

for negroes, and him to safely keep, that have him before me, together with this order, at my office in the court house in Guilford county, on the 17th day of February, 1906, at 10 mothers, Mesdames W. J. H. Weddington and James Borton B. will dington and James Porter. Recorder Shannonhouse gave the youngsters a lecture and then let them go, upon the condition that the mothers ad-"Now, I want to find that woman, the condition that the mothers adme or the child to hunt her at a goodly dose of corporal punishment.

MINISTERS TO MEET FEB. 16TH To Organize a Mecklenburg Ministerial Association - Dinner to be

Given the Visitors. A committee of the Charlotte Ministerial Association, consisting of Rev. Dr. W. W. Orr, Rev. Dr. J. Q. Adams, and Rev. W. L. Nicholson, met yes-terday morning and arranged to call a meeting of all the pastors in Meck-lenburg county, February 16th, in Charlotte. On that day the ministers of the city and county, will gather at 12:30 o'clock in the parlors of the Y. M. C. A. and after a few words will adjourn to one of the hotels or the Denny Cafe where a dinner will be served. A number of speeches will be made and an organization of the Mecklenburg Ministerial Association will be perfected.

Covers are to be laid for 40, and a most enjoyable time is anticipated, During the day, the county ministers will be the guests of the Charlotte Ministerial Association.

MR. C. C. MOORE AT WORK.

The Result of His Campaign Over the State May Already be Seen. The reports that reach Charlotte from all over the State have much to say of the work of Mr. C. C. Moore, president of the North Carolina Cotton Growers' Association. He is going am your friend. Helen Jones to city, visiting every cotton growing county in the State, and doing all that he can to perfect the organization. To quote from a personal letter received by a friend several days ago, Mr. Moore declares: "I am after those counties not yet in line by letters cards, circulars, in person and through the press. Two stenographers are with me as much as possible clicking off cards and letters to men all over the ent time and money on that baby State. I am already beginning to see the results of this work.

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A Fine Game of Bastet Ball Expected To-Night—Game to Commence at 8.45 O'Clock.

8.45 O'Clock.

The game of baske ball to-night at the Young Men's Caristian Association gymnasium between Wake Forest and the team from the Y. M. C. A. promises to attract a large crowd. Many tickets have been sold and those who wish to get seats should go as early as possible, especially ladies, as the seating capacity of the gallery is rather insufficient to accommodate such a crowd as is expected to-night.

The Wake Forest players are expected to-night.

The Wake Forest players are expected to arrive at 4:40 this afternoon and arrangements have been made for their entertainment.

The game is scheduled to begin at 8:45 p. m., an hour convenient for everybody, and will consist of two 20-minute halves with a rest of 10 minutes between halves.

To Arrange for Sunday School Con-

utes between halves.

All of the Sunday school superintendents and officers in the city are requested to meet in the Sunday school room of the First Baptist church to-night at 9 o'clock.

This meeting is called for the purpose of arranging the necessary details incident to the conventor of the North Carolina State Sunday School Association in Charlotte, April

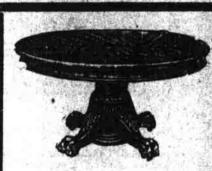


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