te members of the troups which pred "A Slave of Passion" at the
demy Thursday night did not like
notice of the performance in yeay's paper. The strapping newswho approached them at the stasays he sold them a paper each,
they read the notice and tore it
mail bits. There were several reers knocking about the station,
leading lady evidently mistook a leading lady evidently mistook a man for an Observer man. kept her eye so intently on him he walked by her way and caught a remark from her about "The best wapaper in the country-nit," and

"M a week reporters." The troupe got on the car, and the went onto the car, too, not to wil the troupe, but just to go on car as one does who goes on a hemselves one of the boys expressed opinion that it surprised him that troupe had enough money to get away, so small was their house the night before. Then the boys left the car and stood under the shed.

It was not long, after they began standing thus, before they noticed the hole show approaching, headed by the author and finisher of the play. "The man who wrote that notice for that paper," said he, "has a reputation all down the line for taking

"That is a lie," said one of the boys. "What did you say?" asked the That you are a llar," repeated the

reporter. "Well, sir," said the That's the first time I've been called since I've been in the South!' The boys did not dispute this, and ently the showman shifted: "But the man I'm looking for," said . 'is the man who said he was sur-ised the company had enough to get

out of town with." "I'm the man," sman, chestily, for after the lie spokesman, chestily, to a state antici-had passed so easy he did not anticipare trouble. "I'm the man," said he.

He put his fist against the man's ribs and pushed him. Of course he did nothing about it. Some of the boys say that the train people were so inactually held the iron horse a minute or so over time. The strapping newsboy says that even after the train had it came back to the station and stayed there ten or twenty minutes. The reporters, however, had scattered, and it is not known why the train

\$75,000 CONTRACT LET.

Southern Power Company Lets Contract for Digging of Big Water Canal at Great Falls, S. C.

The contract for the digging of the huge canal that is to carry the water the river to the power house at Great Falls, S. C., has been let by the Southern Power Company to The Simons, Mayrant Company, of Char-

The canal is to be 1% miles in length and is to be 20 feet deep, 180 feet wide at the top and 100 feet at the bottom. The big dam which has been built across the river at Great Fails, is for the purpose of turning the water into the canal. At the foot of the canal, another dam has been built and here are to be seen the immense turbines and the other machinery for the generation of the current. The water after running through the canal, falls over the turbines and passes on back into the river through a creek. The fall is 72 feet and it is estimated that 45,000 horse power of electricity will be

generated with this head of water. The terms of the contract call for the detion of the canal by November Ist. It is stated that \$75,000 will be the cost of the work.

HE BLEW OUT THE GAS.

A Visitor at One of the Hotels Retires With the Gas Jet Open-A Narrow Escape. Early yesterday morning when the

bell boy of one of the local hotels went up to a room to arouse a guest, he detected the unmistakeable odor of escaping gas. The alarm was given An investigation was made and the trouble was found to be in the chamber of a visitor from a neighhoring town. The door was pushed open and the hotel officers at once made their way into the room. The occupant was in bed, unconscious. The gas jet was open and but for the lowered window, the result would doubtless have been fatal. A physician was summoned and he pronounced the man in no immediate danger. The windows were raised, and the room thoroughly aired and the occupant was allowed to continue his

When he awoke later in the morning he complained of a severe headache, for which he could assign no reason. for which he could assign no reason. He was not informed until later of the narrow escape that he had had.

NEW MASONIC LODGE.

Installed at Monroe Last Night-Pythians Artend District Meeting ia Concord.

Quite a number of Charlotte Pythjans left yesterday morning for Con-cord E attend the district meeting of the Knights of Pythias. The session be held yesterday afternoon and evening, an elaborate programme having been arranged for each meet-

delegation of Charlotte Masons left yesterday morning for Monroe, where last night they participated in the installation of a new lodge of the Royal Arch Masons. Among those who went were Messrs. W. S. Liddell, E. L. Keesjer, G. H. King, James O. Walker, H. M. Day, Rev. George H. Page and Dr. P. M. Winchester.

Sermous on Atonement.

It is the purpose of the paster of the First Associate Reformed Presbyter-iss church to preach a short series of sermons on the general subject, "The Bible Doctrine of Atonement," "Nature, and Necessity, of

Second, "Vicarious Atonement." id Christ suffer as the sinners' sub-

Third, "Results of Atonement."
The first of the series will be preached next Sabbath morning at 11 o'clock. The second Sabbath night at 7:30.

Faneral of Mrs. M. L. Alexander. The funeral of Mrs. M. L. Alexander as conducted at Sharon Presbyterian

ch yesterday afternoon at 3 ck by the pastor, Rev. W. H. s. The interment was made in church yard.

Indy in the county was ever a beloved than Mrs. Margaret ander and her death will be felting to come by those who knew loved her.

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THE GALL OF A BOY.

A prominent machinery man of the city advertised in yesterday's Observer for an office boy. The name of the firm was not signed to the advertisement but in some mysterious way a messenger hoy found out who it was that wanted a lad of parts and undertook to secure the position over the telephone.

"Central, give me 48644," said the boy.

boy.

"This is 4844." said the man at the other end of the line.

"Yes, sir, I see by to-day's Observer that you are trying to get an office boy," announced the lad.

"So I am," declared the machinery

"Well, my name is Johnnie Jones, and I would like very much to have the job."
"Your name is not familiar to me:

in fact, I do not know you. Call at my office and let me look you over. I would greatly prefer seeing you face to face and talking it over with you be-fore making a deal with you." "I understand that," said the boy

"but I thought we might as well clo this matter over the 'phone, and with-out further delay." The man at the other end told the boy to drop around and get the job.

THE DOG TAX IDEA POPULAR. The Average Farmer is in Favor of

Fixing Such a Tax and the Next Legislature Will be Asked to Do It. "I am with you on that dog tax," said a well-to-do farmer to an Observer man yesterday, "and I'll do what I can to help to bring it about. I own a shepherd dog that I would gladly pay a dollar or whatever the tax happened to be, on. I think we ought to have a dog tax. There are several reasons for it. In the first place it would help our school fund, and then we could protect our dogs and game. There are dozens of old poor mongrels in my neighborhood, and they eat eggs, kill chickens, turkeys and de-

stroy young partridges.
"Mecklenburg could levy such a tax whether other counties do so or not. The man who has a valuable dog hearing would not mind paying the county house th

something to protect him. The majority of the Mecklenburg farmers seem to favor a dog tax, and it is almost certain that the next Legislature will be asked to give this county such a law. One gentleman who commended the

but that is a different proposition. THE USES OF A SINGLE BUGGY.

A Colored Farmer Marketed a Bale of Cotton in His Sunday Vehicle. "Did you ever note the uses to which the farmer puts his buggy?" asked an observant citizen of a newspaper man vesterday.

"Well, I don't know that I have." Just look down the street, yonder, and you will see what I mean. A colored tiller of the soil had a small bale of cotton in his single buggy

and was mounted on top of it. "I stand here and watch the buggies go out in the afternoons and it is wonderful what they haul. I have seen everything from a sack of meal to 40foot lightning rods. It is nothing out of the ordinary to see three young calves in one buggy, two tied behind and one held in front."

The T. P. A. Smoker To-Night. Post C. the local organization of the Traveler's Protective Association, will give a smoker in the private dining room of the Denny to-night, beginng at 8:15. Short talks will be made by some of the local members, First National Vice President Burrell H. Marsh, of Winston-Salem, will be present and address the meeting. The committee of arrangements is composed of the following named persons: Walter Scott, chairman; Felix O. Gee and W. J. Stultz.

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Mr. Brevard McDowell Gets Off a
Pun and Kills the Effect of a Joke.
"Tootle, tootle! Say." said Prof.
Alexander Graham, yesterday, as he
shook hands with an Observer man
and Mr. F. B. McDowell all at one
and the same time.
"T'm going to have some ground
hogs. Fred Bird, the son of Jos Bird,
is going to send them to me."
"I'm going to take them to The Observer office, where they will have
plenty of company."

plenty of company."

"What, you mean sausage?" asked
Mr. McDowell.

Everybody laughed but Prof. Graham, who had continued his song of
"Tootle, tootle."

As a merry cackle went round Prof. Graham realized that he lost the point of a good joke, so he turned, broke his tune and asked, "What is that?"
"You said you were going to have some ground hog, and I just asked if you meant sausage." ou meant sausage."

PROP. GRAHAM'S GROUND HOG.

For a moment Prof. Graham was still in the dark but when the audacity of Mr. McDowell's pun struck him he turned away, laughing and mumbling: "Was it sausage?"

Charter for Burwell & Dunn Retail

The Burwell-Dunn Company has se cured a separate charter for their re-tall store. Heretofore both the wholesale and retail business has been conducted under one charter, that of the Burwell & Dunn Company. The new charter is for the retail branch which in the future is to be operated dis-tinct from the wholesale department. The capital stock under the new charter is given at \$25,000 with Messrs. R. A. Dunn, W. R. Burwell and Mr. Murphy named as incorporators. The business will be conducted at the same old stand. There are to be no other hanges.

Poker Players Arrested. Police Sergeant John Farrington and his squad got busy yesterday after-noon and arrested five poker artists whose habit it was to meet in the woods just outside of the city Sundays and sling the cards. The men arrested were: El. Lethco, F. A. Brown John Barrett, Mack Barrett and Tom Simpson, The bunch will receive before Recorder Shannonhouse this morning.

woman worries until she gets wrinkles, then worries because she has them. If she takes Hollister's Rocky Mountain Tea she would have neither. Bright, smiling face follows its use. 35 cents, Tea or Tablets. R. idea wants to go a little further and H. Jordan & Co. prohibit minors from carrying uns,

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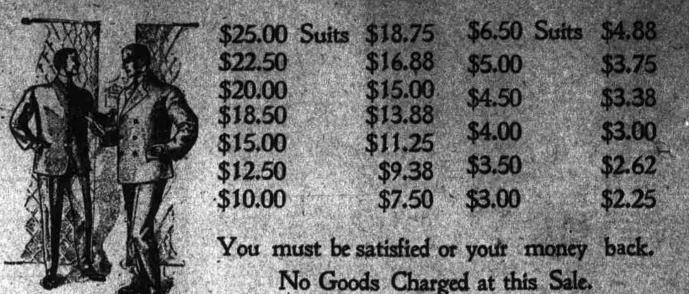


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