"Tome now, was it in Hose Hill right in the town, or wasn't it near Rock Hill—somewhere about five miles out in the woods or ten miles?"

"Right in Hock Hill."

"Well, all right," said John Tucker.
"Excuse me, I was merely judging you by myself when I was young and proud. People would say to me, 'Mr. Tucker, where were you raised,' and I would reply in as loud voice as politoness would permit. 'In Greensboro, North Carolina.' In reality I was raised between the plough handles. Since I have grown older and have gut a wife, I admit it; but the war I used to long to be regarded as a sown man makes me surpicious yet when I hear a young fellow may that he was raised in some town."

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"There was a little shooting scrape down in Scotland county which I have seen no account of in the papers," said Mr. J. A. McMillan, who was here yesterday, at the Manufacturers' Club. "Would you like to take a note of it? Well, we were fixing up the old grist mill on the Buffaio creek, driving piles and repairing breast-works and clearing out the race. Auto Dubase was sleen, mostly as an onlocker. He had a gun or, his shoulder, and when somebody cried, Snake, anake! Auto saw something stirring in the mud, and without waiting to lock good, shot and hit a nigger's heel. We had a great laugh on Auto, and told him that if he had been a Scotchman and not a Frenchman he would not have been so hasty."

"Had a laugh on him!" said a listener. "I don't see how rou could laugh and that poor nigger writhing and rulned like that."

"Oh, but it dich't hurt the nigger," said Mr. McMillan. "The nigger foined in the laughing. All the shot glauced."

Mr. Jack Hastings says a negro told him that he, the negro, "was walkin' long de ditch bank, bar'foot-ed, in de long, high grass, not even thinkin' bout no snake at ail, when chug! went a frog!"

The reporter went to the club steps after the rain and gazed across the street. Under the Buford balcony on the sidewalk sat two men, a vacant chair between them, and each af them was a metaphor of lonesomeness and idleness. The reporter went over and sat between them.

"You are the most dejected looking couple I have seen," said he. "Why so sad?"

The fellow on the left made no re-

The fellow on the left made no re-ply. He sank down in his chair and would not be comforted—or bored, as he may have thought. The other was

he may have thought. The other was giad of a conversation.

"I'll tell you," he said, "My home is way at Nashville and I have been three months from it. While everyhody else is trying to get away from home to some resort or other, I am sick for home. That's all the resort, all the vacation, I want. Now, here I am in this city; I can't do any business until after dinner; the only choice I have is to sit here and wait; and besides, I don't know a single soul. I have been watching the people go by, and there has not been a familiar face."

face."

"That's enough to depress your spirits," said the reporter.

"Yes at is," said Mr. Gentry. Then a smile curied his lips and a light lipdled in his eye. "But you just see me hustling this afternoon! I don't mind it, unless I am compelled to be dile this way. Work is a sort of intexicant. It takes a man's thoughts of himself, and I don't mind anything, if only there is opportunity for me to hustle."

"I should like to know what you are thinking about," the reporter spent yesterday in the city with

are thinking about," the reporter cenfessed to Mr. F. A. Stone, of Lynchburg, Va. Mr. Stone is a shull

man.
"Well, sir, I am thinking about as nearly nothing as is possible, when one is conscious," he answered, good naturedly. "I really don't know what. naturedly. "I really don't know what. I believe I was musing over the fact that the sale of snuff constantly increases, in spite of the fact that it is out of fashion. Year by year our business grows. And it is not, as you might suspect, an increase in the country districts, confined to the cross-roads store, but the citles keep pace with the country. All the forms of the tobacco habit multiply, one reason being that there are more people to indulge in them."

"Did you ever notice what an aid to thought tobacco is?" butted-in Mr. Ed M. Burrowes, of Asheville, a soap man. "It may affect different people differently, but for myself I can think things to a conclusion twice as quickly and easily when I am looking at smoke-rings. It soothes my

as quickly and easily when I am looking at smoke-rings. It soothes my nerves and leaves me free of distractions." He recalled a great many thinkers who were helpless without the weed, among them Tennyson. That poet kept a jar of clay pipes on the right side of his desk and another jar into which to break these pipes at his left hand. He never used a pipe more than once, but he emptied one jar and filled the other every day. "There's a reason," said Mr. Bufrowes.

"Now.' I volunteered to explain why
the tobacco habit spreads," continued
Mr. Burrowes. "I want you to explain this: There is selling to-day in
Charlotte twice the smount of my
soap as sold here this day a year
ago, Do you know why?"

Nobody know or could guess.
"I don't know either," he wondered. "It must have won out on its
merits, but how did its merits become known? They say that they are
three methods of rapid communication: telegraph, telephone, and tell a
woman. I think somebody here must
have told the women."

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There was a little belated talk yesterday of the packing house scandal. One man took the view that things were well enough until confidence in the packing was destroyed.

"An old neighbor of mine used to go to town every Saturday and take unch on canned beef. He would take his can out to a back lot, sit in the sail end of his wagon, and scoop it out with his jack-knife.

"We boys had a custom of hollering at him. Mr. Nelson, that is hose and cat that you are eatin! That ain't beef."

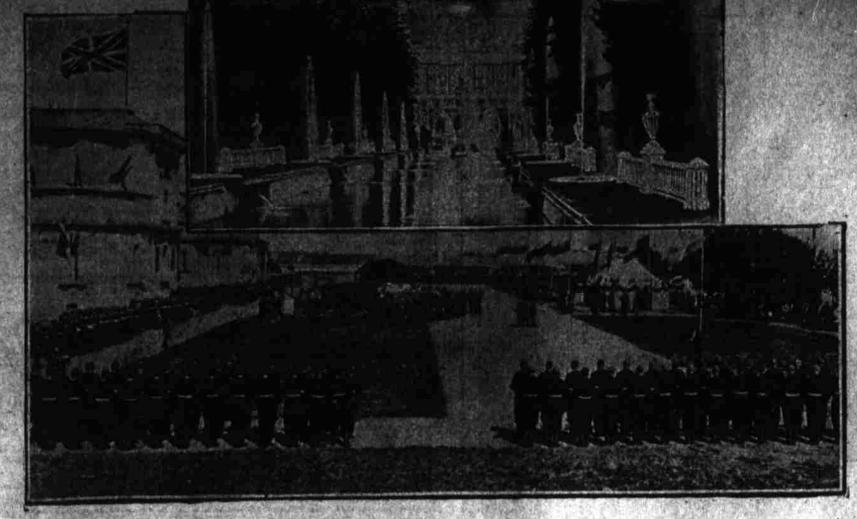
"I don't know it," the old man

don't know it, the old man reply, taking a mouthful. 'I know it.'" J. C. M.

As London Sees Us.

London Evening Standard.

It is too bad that fascinations of pridge whist should be the elleged suse of the abandonment of their misiness by the New York security he arange companies. Gambling among the women of New York is on the presse, and a not unusual thing in a woman who has jacurred delto a play and horse racing to take out burglar policy for several thousand tollars, representing to her husband hat she was in tear of being robbed. Other a short time the woman goes to pawn shop, gets a loan and raises he cry that she has ben robbed. The maken in turn makes a chain upon he insurance company and usually ome sort of evidence is produced to apport the burglar theory. But such omen are happily black swans is few. York.





Nicholas 11.

spending his vacation in the city, will leave to-night for Philadelphia. Pa.

Mr. Wiffiam Clarkson, who has been spending several weeks in the city with relatives, has returned to his home at Coriscana, Tex.

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Mr. J. A. McMillan, of Scotland county, apent yesterday in the city with his friend, Mr. John Charles Mc-Neill.

Mr. Henry Miller, Jr., is spending some time at Atlantic City, N. J.

Mr. H. C. Alfen, of Boston, Mass., is visiting his sister, Mrs. T. B. Ruddock.

Among the visitors in the city yesterday was Rev. Dr. J. C. Galloway, of Gastonia.

Mr. Walter R. Thompson, superintendent of the Concord graded schools, was in the city yesterday on his way to Statesville to visit his father, Mr. D. Matt Thompson.

Mr. R. O. Alexander is down from his summer home at Black Mountain for a few days on business.

Mr. J. J. Kincaid, of Sallsbury, was a visitor in the city last evaning, being a guest at the Central.

Mr. W. R. Massengale, of the Massengale Advertising Agency, of Atlanta, Ga., spent yesterday in the city on business.

Rev. Dr. J. R. Eridges, who is spending the summer with his family at Lincolnion, is spending to-day in the city on business. He has placed the latest catalogues of the Presbytorian College at the stores of the Stone & Barringer Company, and he will be at his office at the college all of to-day.

Will Overhant First A. R. P. Church, At a meeting of the board of elders and descens of the First Associate

PLAINTIFF ENTITLED TO RECOV Report of the Special Master in the Case of the J. C. Summers Co., Against the Richland Distilling Co., Made to Judge Pritchard.

Mr. Peter Ihrie, of Rock Hill, S. C., formerly a resident of Charlotte, spent yesterday in the city with triesids.

Mr. W. P. Baliard, of Greensboro, spent yesterday in the city, staying at the Central.

Among the out-of-town people here yesterday was Mr. H. D. Williams, of Lumberton.

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REFUSED TO REMAND CASE.

Judge Pritchard Decides That Suit of Mrs. M. E. Wriston Against Matual Life Should be Heard in Federal Special to The Observer.

Special to The Observer.

Asheville, Aug. II.—Argument was had before Judge J. C. Pritchard in United States Circuit Court Baturday afternoon on motion to remand to the State courts the case of Mrs. Mary E. Wriston, of Charlotte, aguinst the Mutual Reserve Life Insurance Company. The case is one that has to do with a certain insurance policy. The plaintiff sought to recover a sum of money due on the cancellation of a policy.

The suit was one for \$1.979 and interest, breach of contract being alleged. It was begun in the State courts and later removed to the Federal courts. The case was heard by Judge Pritchard on motion to remand. It was quite and motion to remand. It was quite since for was not in excess of \$1.000. That the amount was \$1.700 exclusive of interest and cost. The defendant's autorneys set up the claim that the amount sued for was more than \$2.000. That the sum being sued for and that it was not interest in the ordinary acceptation of the term. It was contended that the sum with interest which the plaintiff, if entitled to recover at all, would receive would amount to about \$3.000.

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Judge Pritchard took this view of the case and refused to remand the cause to the State courts.

Mr. John A. Tate spent yesterday at Rutherfordion on business.

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in the event of the success of the long expected Russian revolution the Czar's last stand before a probable fight will be made in his beautiful palace at Peterhef, some of the magnificence may be imagined from the accompanying view, showing the famous lagoon garden, the palace being at the far end. The other view shows a mass being solemnized in the open air, attended by the Czar, at Cron-stadt, the scene of the recent mutiny, which failed.

BRIEFS.

A Few Minor Happenings in and About the City. -Brown or McKee? Gluyas McAuley?

-Mr. F. R. McNinch was indisposed at his home on East avenue yester-

—"How Women Love" is the bill at the Park Auditorium the first three nights of this week. -Charlotte and the immediate vi-cinity were visited by fructifying showers yesterday afternoon.

-Mrs. W. W. Watt has been confined to her rooms at the Central Hotel during the last few days by ill-

-Now that the excitement at Salisbury is over and the Mccklenburg primaries close to-day, Charlotte peo-ple will look to other things.

—Cotton in Mecklenbrg county has a very fine weed this year, but it has not fruited well. In many communities the rains have been exces-

—The city police court yesterday morning was a rather slender affair. The worst offender was Will Harper, a colored citizen, who was fined \$5 for being drunk.

The fox hunting season draws nigh. The hunters of Fayetteville and other eastern towns are getting their horns, their horses and their dogs in shape to chase the haughty -The August criminal term of the

Mecklenburg Superior Court will convene this morning at 19 o'clock. Judge R. B. Peebles, of Jackson presiding. About 30 prisoners are in the county jail awaiting trial. -The Baraca class of the Sunday school of the Second Presbyterian church will give a picnic at Latta Park this evening, beginning at 7 and

ending at 11 o'clock. The class com-prises more than 50 young men. -Charlotte seems almost depopulated of club women. Many of those who can afford it are in the mountains, resting and taking on strength and flesh. The Queer City is repre-sented in every popular resort place

in the State. —Rv. M. A. Barber, of Burlington, will conduct a mission at Christ church, Rowan county, beginning today and lasting through Sunday, There will be two services daily. The holy communion will be observed Sunday morning.

—The Seaboard Air Line Railway Company will conduct an "Old Hoss" sale of unclaimed freight at the local freight depot and warehouse to-mor-row morning. Auctioneer W. A. Gresham will cry the goods and about 600 packages will be sold.

The fine meions from Berryhill and Steele Creek townships have begun to roll in and after every other town in North Carolina has forgotten that there was such a thing Charlotte will be enjoying the large, julcy melons that the young farmers sell on the streets.

—The Charlotte Consolidated Cigar Stores are having its place on West Trade street remodeled and a handsome electric sign placed in front preparatory to opening. The North Tryon street store has been remodeled and now presents quite an attractive angeographe. appearance.

appearance.

-The Observer's report yesterday of Dr. Kincaid's lecture on Hawaii, at the Second Presbyterian church, Sunday afternoon, contained a typographical error, in the estimated yearly cost of the Kamahamaha Training School at Honululu. The annual expense of the institution is \$100,000; not \$1,000,000.

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—Quite a number of Charlotte people will go to Wilmington and Wrightsville Beach on the big Seaboard excursion to-day. The train will leave Rutherfordton at \$:30 a'clock and will leave Charlotte at 10:30. The fare from Charlotte and return will be \$2. Two nights and a part of three days will be spent at the coast city, the train arriving there this afternoon and leaving on the return Thursday afternoon.

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Accidental Shooting. Special to The Observer.

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Spartanburg, S. C., Aug. 13.—A special from Union says that an accidental shooting occurred there Saturday night at the U. & G. S. depot as the train from Buffalo Mills was entering the station. As Judson Wright and Thomas Knox. two passengers, were leaving the car in which they had been riding a pistol in the pocket of Wright caught in the door facing of the car and exploded. The bullet estered Knox's groin, ranging upward estered Knox's groin, ranging upward lodged in the stomach, producing what is considered a mortal wound. Wright ran and was later arrested on a warrant sworn out by the father of Knox. He is in jail. The shooting is believed to have been purely acci-dental, and the circumstances seem to bear out the belief. Both men are residents of Bpffalo.

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