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DR. BUTLER SEIZED HER.

Laurin. speaking for the defense, argued

strongly that it was unjust to exclude

these portions of the testimony. Judge

Miller, however, stood firm in his ruling

that only those parts of the remarks

which had been reported to Mrs. Bird-song before the shooting could be ad-

W. A. STILLMAN TESTIFTES

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#### MRS. BIRDSONG ON STAND PRESIDENT IS CRITICISED 2 10N NEARS CLOSE ANOTHER REAR-END CRASH

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Special to The Observer. Greensbore, Dec. 8.—One of the most interesting and striking features of the Baptist State Convention is the presence of the many men in the body whose hair has grown white in the serives of the Church, but who are

serives of the Church, but who are yet actively engaged in the work. Their greatest desire in this connec-tion is to continue in this one work of their lives antil they can "their bod-ies with their work lay down." The man who gives his young and middle years faithfully to the work of the ministry has no time to prepare him-self for another line of work upon which to demend when his head bewhich to depend when his head be-gins to whiten with age. There are men in this Convention who have no doubt passed the mile stone which marks three score years and ten, but age does not always signify physical or mental inefficiency and these men are still the much loved pastors of are still the much congregations in the different parts of the Stateeđ.

Another striking feature of the Convention is the high regard in which the elder men are held by the young men of the body. as "pushing aside" is visible on part of the young men, but on fort as the part of the young men, but on the other hand deference to their ripened experience and safe opinion The able young men of the Convention are not in any way discounted by the body. They are prominent in the work of their denomination, but

they do not attempt to usurp the place or to disregard the wisdom of the older members: Among the younger laymen of the

Convention no one is more prominent than Editor J. W. Bailey, of The Biblical Recorder. He is a young man with the good of his denomination at heart, and he uses his time, his brain and his pen to further its interest, and the interest also of ev-ery cause in the State that tends to uplift humanity." The masterful address which Mr. Bailey delivered op State missions is yet the talk of the Convention.

AT WILMINGTON NEXT TIME. General pleasure is evidenced at the thought of holding the next session of the Convention in Wilmington, and

the delegates of that city and of all eastern North Carolina will spare no effort to give the delegates as cordial a welcome as they have had in Greensboro. The committee on time place recommended Wilmington and and an amendment was offered in

favor of Newbern, but the commit-tee's report prevailed. At the session of the Convention this morning the resolution favoring

the establishment of a Baptist sani-tarium was favorably commended. The Convention also placed itself on recording favoring the establish-ment of a reformatory of some oth-er corrective institution for young criminals in North Carolina

A communication was received from the Women's Christian Temperance the Women's Union reques ing the ration o

Engineer George Kinney, of Thomas-ville, Brother of the Engineer Who Had Such a Narrow Escape Thanks-Olitike Day, and Brakeman W. B. King, Killed Outright-No. 34 Telescopes a Freight in the Yards at Danville—Fire Follows the Wreck —A Number Injured, of Whom at Least One Will Die.

Danville, Va., Dec. 8 .- Another railway horrer on the Southern which in many respects resembles that at Lawyers nine days ago, which resulted in the death of President Spencer, was enacted in the yards here this morning at about 4 o'clock. Two persons were killed outright, half a dozen more or less injured, one of whom will die as a result of their injuries.

Train No. 340 northbound, a solid Pullman and passenger train, crashed into the rear of freight train No. \$2, which was standing on the main line. The engine ploughed through the cabcose and demolished several cars ahead of it. Fire followed the wreck and the local department was called 'out. Four or five cars were consumed and others badly damag-

THE DEAD AND INJURED. Engineer George C. Kinney, of No. 34, was scalded to death and Brakeman W. B. King burned to a crisp. The home of Kinney, who is a brother of Will A. Kinney, the engineer on the train that crashed into Spencer's car, is at Thomasville, N. C. King's home is in Danville.

The seriously injured are: H. M. Patterson, of Chatham, brakeman, injured about the head and shoulders and leg broken.

O. J. Mull, of Columbia, S. C., flagman of No. 83. back sprained and hurt about the head.

O. O. Mailer, postal clerk, slightly hurt.

Robert Ford, colored fireman on No. 34. injured internally and will likely die. Several of his bones were broken.

The blame for the wreck rests up on two employes of the Southern. Flagman Mull, of No. 82, who was injured, and one or the other of the operators at Danville and Neapolis block stations. When the freight game to a standstill it was the duty of the flagman to go back and place a danger signal for any approaching train and the information so fai shows that Mull did not do this.

Operator Skenille, at Danville, and Operator Clellons, at Neapolis, make contradictory statements regarding the sending and receiving of orders of a clear block for No. 34 and only official investigation will bring out the real facts. Dispatcher Skenille, at Danville block station, was former-ly at Ransoon and was succeeded by Mattox, who is held responsible for the recent big wreck at Lawyers. An investigation by the local police au-

MOST EXTRAORDINARY LETTER. GIVES STARTIANG EVIDE Defendant in the Hazie

Obserber.

Mr. Bellamy Storer Resents Dismissal as Ambassador to Anatria Hungary Because of Wife's Alleged Interfer-ence in Affairs at Roman Catholic Church-Charged That Mrs. Storer Meddled in French Politics by Tak-ing Part in Anti-Republican Intri-gue to Promote Marriage of Victor Bonaparte With Member of Orlei anist Family-Extracts From Some Case Charged Dr. Butter With Have ing Tried to Assault Her When Sh Went to Office—Says Physician Wa Trying to Drag Her Into Adjoin ing Room When Shooting Bega and Remembers Nothing More-Charges Mrs. Nora Garrett Wit Having Told Her of Stories Allege to Have Come From Tr. Batter anist Family-Extracts From Some to Have Come From Dr. Butler. Hazlehurst, Miss., Dec. 8 .-- Some startof Letters.

Chicago, Dec. 8 .- The Chicago Triing evidence was given to-day by Mrs. Angle Birdsong when she went on the bune in its Washington dispatches towitness stand in her own defense against day says that an extraordinary letter the charge of murdering Dr. The has been addressed by Bellamy Storer Butler. to President Roosevelt and the mem-The defendant said that she want to bers of his cabinet in regard to his Dr. Butler's office where the tragedy dismissal from the post of ambassador occurred, with peaceful intentions of the United States to Austria Hunthat Dr. Butler attempted to assault her while there. In tears she swore that no

gary. filicit relations had ever existed be-Mr. Storer was dismissed because of his wife's supposed interference in fween her and Dr. Butler at any tim affairs of the Roman Catholic Church Mrs. Birdsong said that Mrs. Nora Cart and her alleged misuse of letters from rett had told her that Dr. Butler had the President. It was also charge said he had been intimate with the dethat Mrs. Storer had meddled with French politics by taking part in antifendant and that she had made appointments to meet him. Republican intrigue to promote the These stories, witness said, almost marriage of Victor Bonaparte with a broke her heart and from the time she member of the Orleanist family. heard them she scarcely knew what she Both of these charges Mr. Storer denies, and on the other hand, declares was doing. She said she was in this that the President's interest in the half dazed condition when she went in selection of Archbishop Ireland as Dr. Butler's office. Her purpose was to ask him if it was true that he had told cardinal was not due to Storer or to Storer's wife, but to the President such stories about her, and how, as an

alone. old friend, he could have done such a The text of Mr. Storer's letter was thing. printed and transmitted not only to the President and members of his Dr. Butler seized her, the witness tescabinet, but to members of the foreign

tified, when she had asked these quesrelations committee of the Senate. tions. He attempted to drag her into a FAMILIARITY OF LETTERS. com adjoining the office. She said she The correspondence shows the fabelieved that he intended to assault her millar relations of the President and and that she drew a revolver and began the Storers from the time Mr. Roosefiring. He had hold of her when she bevelt was Governor of New York, just after the Spanish war. Some of the gan shooting. She said she remembered Roosevelt letters to Storer were adthat she kept on shooting, but that the "My dear Bellamy" and to dressed details of Dr. Butler's death ware con his wife, "My dear Marta" and Mrs. fused in her mind. She said she could Storer addressed the President as not afterward recall how she reached "Dear Theodore."

home after the shooting. The pro Mr. Storer asserts that Roosevelt tion could not alter her testim himself, while Governor of New York, though she grow nervous. urged the Storers to use their influ-W. A. Sillman, the first witness for the ence with the Vatican for Ireland's promotion, believing the prelate's welldefense, was asked about statements said to have been made by Dr. Butler known patriotism would aid in solving the problems connected with the on Tuesday night before the shooting. Catholic Church in the Philippines. Witness said that Dr. Butler was drunk One letter of the President to Mrs. when he made these statements. The Storer, dated Dec. 11, 1905, after the court ruled out most of the statements of the Storers in behalf of efforts made by this witness concerning Dr. Archbishop Ireland began to attract Butler's alleged remarks. Senator Mo attention, contained the following pas-

sage: "Your direct or implied complaint of and reflection upon my own personal conduct give me no concern, but I am very gravely concerned at the mischievous effect your letters must have in misrepresenting the position of the United States government and by the far-reaching governmen

tal scandal your indiscretion may at any time cause.

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matic service.

would not do.

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NO DIRECT STATEMENT.

above."

Stillman testified that on the Tuesday ight in question Mrs. Butler had asked TOTALLY WRONG IMPRESSION. him to prevent her husband from going "Your letters not only convey a toout on the street, she alleging that he was going for the purpose of meeting a ally wrong impression of my atti-ude, but they are such as you have have

mitted.

no business to write, in view of the woman. position of your husband in the diplo-Letcher Grice, mayor of Mos was not allowed while on the stand, to tell of conversations with Di

Arthur Brown, Former United States Senator From Utshy Shot and Seri-ousty Wounded by Mrs. Anna M. Bradley, of Salt Lake City-Shoot-ing Occurred in Brown's Apart-ments at the Hotel Raleigh and Created a Senation-Brown in a Critical Condition at the Emergency Hospital-Woman Followed Him to Weshington to Avenge An Alleged Wrong-Tells the Story to Senator Sutherland. ollowing an Attempt to Rob a Great Bond Bank Single-Handed, Maa Who Gives an Assumed Name is Surrounded and Captured by Citi-zens—A Driver for the Wells-Fargo Express Company Accientally Kill-od by the Pursuing Party—Alarm, Which Led to Robber's Capture Was Given by Placky Clerk, Who Displayed Rare Presence of Mind. Great Band, Kan, Dec. &.—After termiting to sole the L.V. Brinktempting to rob the J. V. Brink-

RASH DEED OF SCORNED WOMAN |KANSANS LAND HIM IN JAIL.

Sutherland.
Washington, Dec. 5.—Former Unit. of States Senator Arthur Brown, of Utah, to-night lies in a critical con-dition in Emergency Hospital, from-a pistol shot wound in the abdomen infloted by Mrs. Anns M. Bradley, of Salt Lake, who arrived here to-day from that city. The shooting occur-red in Senator Broko's apartments in the Hotel Raleigh, where Mrs. Brad-ley also had registered under the name of "A. B. Brown." She was taken in ouslody and was locked up for the First Precinct police station.
Two shots were fired, one glazing frown's left hand and the other en-tering the abdomen and lodging in the polivic cavity. After working over soons decided that for the present at east they would make no further at-tempt to find the bullet. It was state to make they would make no further at-forms to find the bullet. It was state frown's condition was critical, hai wounds are not necessarily fail.

Brown's condition was critical, his unds are not necessarily fatal. NO WITNESS TO SHOOTING.

Mrs. Bradley arrived here shortly after noon. After being assgned a room she immediately went to Senator Brown's apartment. There foor maid heard the shooting, but hed the management. According to her statement, Mrs. Bradley came to Washington to demand that Senator Ner statement, are. Shadey cans to Washington to demand that Senator Brown marry her. She said that their relations were well known in Sait Lake. "I asked him if he was going to do the right thing by me." she said, maintaining a remarkable composure. "His reply was that he put on his overcoat and started to heave the room and I shet him. I ab-hor acts of this character, but in this same it was fully justified." While expressing no sorrow for her act, she was glad to know that Sena-for Brown mights recover. "I was practically pendies when I got here to day," and said. "Having only \$1.25, and after paying the cabman, all the money I had in the world was \$1.00."

and after paying the calmian, all the money I had in the world was \$1.00." She said she urged Senator Brown to one said sne urged Senator Brown to marry her, that he had been instru-mental in the divorce between her-husband and herself, and that as his wfe was dead he now could "do the right fhing" by her. This she said he postively refused to do.

TELLS SENATOR HER STORY.

TELLS SENATOR HER STORY. Mrs. Bradley is a brunctte, about 38 years old, and frail of stature. Her first act after being taken to the police station was to send for Benator Sutherland, of Utah, who caller on her stantor Sutherland regratice that Mrs. Bradley had sent for him because he was the only man here whon abe knew. To him the fold the story of her relaticies with NCF ator Brown. She alleged that we of her children ows their parentage to senator Brown and that she had nam-cd one of them after him. Mrs.

BULLET FELLS EX-SENATOR "LONE ROBBER" EUCHRED GRIDIRONERS MAKE MERRY CONV

n an attempt to dislodge the One bullet struck and in-killed Driver Westfall, who stantly was in the express office on the street

Finally after parleying for an hour with his pursuers, Lewis surrendered and was taken to jail. The money Taylor had handed over to him was the recovered. He was followed to the jail by an excited crow. Cries of "lynch him" were frequently heard and B. W. Taylor, father of the bank cashier, attempted to attack him. He first said his name was George A Lewis, of Kansas City, and then that it was George A. West, and that he had come here from Chicago. He admitted later fnat he had not given his correct name.

## SINKING BENEATH WATER.

Embankments, Breakwaters and Pie at Fort Macon Life Saving Station Disturbed by Settling of the Earth --Place May be Submerged. Special to The Observer.

Newbern, Dec. 8 .-- A singular con-

dition exists at the Fort Macon life saving station, located near Beaufol. Yesterday afternoon Capt. Pugh was startled to notice the embankments. large breakwaters and pler were settling. The breakwater just in front of the main building has entirely disappeared and where the water was

and Representatives in Congress, with many of the great captains of industry present, the 23rd annual dinner of the Gridiron Club to-night at the New Willard market the high tide of the club's prosperity and its achievements. Throughout, gentle satire, burleague and straight 'comedy were the dominating notes in the

Washington, Dec. 8 .-- With the

resident of the United States and the

Vice President with the Ambassadors

from Italy, Great Britain, Russia and

Japan, with the Speaker of the

House of Representatives, Senators

most successful dinner this famous club of Washington correspondents has ever given. There were sharp contrasts, mirth and seriousness chas-ing one mother. The tribute to the dead members of the club abutted

closely upon a burlesque Cuban revo-iution and an exemplification of what happens in the "lawn tennis cabinet," which meets with the President every day, Sundays excepted, and volleys with him over the nets.

A DIG AT ROOSEVELT. Probably the strongest feature of the dinner was the Gridiron "simple speller" and dictionary which was issued in the form of a booklet of

some forty pages containing quaint spellings and exceedingly funny cuts, illustrating the definitions. The initiation of the two new members gave an opportunity for a quiet dig at the War Department growing

out of the discharge of the three col ored companies of the Twenty-Fifth Infantry at Brownsville, Tex. Mr. C. Arthur Williams, of The Washing-ton Herald, and Mr. Charles Wills Thompson, of The New York Times, were the two new members taken into the club the former imperson-

ating an officer of the Twenty-Fifth Infantry, while the latter was com-pelled to read from his book "Party Leaders of the Time," wherein h spaks of the President, Vice President Fairbanks. Senator Spooner and Senator

Aldrich BULLETINS FOR THE HOUSE. Throughout the dinner bulletins were read from the White House

by different members of the club outlining possible cabinet changes, at the end of which the club members sang to the tune of "He's a Jolly Good Fel-

There were songs without number, the President, Secretary Taft, Secretary Shaw and Vice President Fairbanks being introduced with characteristic melodies which put everybody in good humor.

Throughout the dinner there were telephone conversations held with un-ing was given to gently broil the guests in the delicate manner for guests in the delicate may

THE GUESTS PRESENT. The following were among the uests present: Secretaries Hitch-

SLY DIGS AT HIGH OFFICIALS. at of the United St ie and Place Reche President of the United States and Other Dignituries Guesta at the Twenty-Third Annual Dianer of the Pansous Club-Enitiation of Two New Members Gives Opportunity for Brolling the War Department Songs Without Number, in Which the Distinguished Guests are Intro-duced With Characteristic Melodies.

or ed one of them after him. Alts, Bradley was reluctant to speak of her fermer husband, but questioning brought out the facts that he now is living in Nevada with a second wife. Further questioning disclosed the fact that Mrs. Bradley for two years, 1960 and 1967, had served in the ca-

acity of secretary to the Utah State Republican committee and also at one time was editor of the official organ of the State Federation of Women's Clubs. She declared that she had a sister in the newspaper business in Salt Lake, but that she would not communicate with members of her family because she knew that they

would come to her assistance. Manager Talty, of the Raleigh, was notified of the shooting within two or three minutes after it. occurred. He hurried to Senator Brown's room to ascertain the facts.

BROWN RETAINS CONSCIOUSNESS Senator Brown, despte the seriousness and shock of the wound, retained consciousness and was perfectly calm and collected. He made no statemnt to Mr. Talty beyond saying that he had been shot by Mrs. Bradley.

The woman continued in the room while Mr. Talty was attending to Benator Brown, but offered no as-sistance. Finally, Mr. Talty ordered She declined her to leave the room. with absolute coolness to comply with the order.

"I will remain here," she said. "I am the mother of two of his chil-

An officer from the first precinct police station placed Mrs. Bradley un-der arrest. Se made no resistance and offered no further explanation of the shooting. Se was asked for a state-men of the incident, but referred all those who inquired to Senator Suth-erland, of Utah.

#### BROWN INVOLVED WITH WOMAN

**Both Figured in Sensational Crimi** Case in Salt Lake City—For Sev-eral Weeks Before His Departure for the Capital Mrs. Bradley Had Been a Persistent Caller—Brown a Lawyer and Politician.

Salt Lake City, Utah, Dec. 8.-Arthur Brown,' a prominent lawyer, who was one of Utah's first United States Senators, being elected when Utah was admitted to Statehood, left here for Washington several days ago. An-na M. Bradley, who has figured here in a sensational criminal case, in which she and Senator Brown were involved. left the city two days after Brown's departure.

About three years ago a charge in volving immoral conduct was filed against Senator Brown and the Bradley woman by Senator Diown's wife case came to trial rown withdrew her charge and rown was released. Mrs. Bradley suilty. Before sentence was imposed, however, she was permitted to withdraw her plea and the charge against her was dismissed. The wife of Senator Brown died about two vears ago.

Senator Brown came to Utah from Michigan, where he was a conspicuous n politics and as a lewyer.

It is said that for several weeks be-fore the departure of Mr. Brown for Washington, Mrs. Bradley had re-peatedly called at his office, but be

Washington. Mrs. Bradley had ve-pentedly called at his offics, but he refused to talk with her. Mrs. Bradley isc went to Brown's residence and the annoysnee balame so puisistent that he locked his house and went co live at a hotel. Three days before Brown's depart-ure for Washington he talked with Mrs. Bradley and she agreed to go to San Francisco. It was supposed she had gone there.

40 minutes. The foundation of the guests present main building settled about five feet. Many think that the trouble was caused by a gradual heavy current settling against the point of the sentatives Babcock, Dawes, Esch, Gill, beach, cutting a subterranean channe under the breakwaters and beach. Some months ago Captain Pugh notified the government of danger and said that if steps were not taken to prevent it, the place would be submerged.

### Beach at Morehead City Sinking. Special to The Observer.

Morehead City, Dec. 8.-At 5 o'clock this evening the beach has sunk within two feet of the life saving station. beach is now gradually sinking. The doors in the main building cannot be closed now. The beach has given away about 10 feet during the day. The station and all the buildings are expected to go at any time.

THE VERMONT SHOWS UP WELL.

Entire Forward Deck of Battleship Encased in Ice as Result of Trip in Northwest Gale in Zero Temper ature.

Boston, Dec. 8 .--- When the battleship Vermont successfully completed all her government trials at sea this afternoon, including a four-hour run at full power a 24-hour endurance test and the usual turning and backing manoeuvres, her entire forward deck from stem to bridge was encased in ice as the result of a 36-hours trip in the northwest gale and zero tem-

Upon reaching the city to-night Rear Admiral Hemphill, chairman of the naval trial board, notified the Secretary of the Navy that the behavior of the ship had been excellent. In the four-hours full power run yesterday the Vermont averaged 18.83 knots an hour. In the 24-hours test the average speed was 17.43 knots hour and the horse-power 14,500. The requirements called for an averof 18 knots at full power and 13,are of 18 knots at full power and to. 200 horse-power at two-thirds speed. The trials were held under the most evere condition yet undergone by a tries government vessel in the official tests and the requirements were all com-Hawaii and the Pacific coast would avail themselves of naturalization as pleted within four days, which is the thortest period in which a battleship most of them ultimately returned to has been put through her paces.

## HENRY WATTERSON BANQUETED

The Distinguished Editor Leaves for New York To-Night to Spend the Winter.

Louisville, Ky., Dec. 8.—About 300 citizens of Louisville gave a banquet to Henry Watterson lo-night, the event being in the nature of a "stir up cup" for the distinguished edi-tor who leaves for New Tork Sanday

tor who leaves for New York Sinday night, sailing a few days later for Spain, where he will spend the win-ter. Young E. Allison was toastmast-er and those responding to toasts in additon to Mr. Watterson, included James Whitcomb Riley. Mr. Watter-son's remarks to his "fellow towns-men" as he put it were informal.

ock, Shaw, Taft and Wilson, United States Senators Aldrich, Blackburn, Crane, Foraker, Hepburn, Kittredge, operation. MINISTERS CONFERENCE.

Spooner and Tillman; Repre Scott. Grosvenor, Lacey, Littauer, Loudenslager, Lowdne, McCleary, Parsons, Sherman, Sullivan, Tawny, Towne and Weeks: Assistant Secretary of State Bacon, John Barnett, Minister to Columbia; B. B. Comer, Governor-elect of Alabama; Lieutenant General Corbin; Charles G. Dawes, Chicago; Stuyvesant Fish, New York; D. R. Francis, St. Louis; J. R. Garfield; J. W. Gates, New York; F. N. Barksdale, Pennsylvania Railroad; Perry Bel-mont, New York; H. R. Charlton, Grand Trunk Railway: J. H. Edwards, assistant secretary of the Treasury; E. H. Harriman, President Union Pacific Railroad: Wm. Loeb, Jr., sec. President Union retary to the President; Willis L. Moore, chief of the Weather Bureau; Paul Morton, New York, W. D. Pur-dy, Assistant Attorney General; Theo-

fore P. Shonts, chairman of the Isthmian canal commission; James Speyer, New York; H. St. George Tucker, president of the Jamsstown Exposition and Timothy L. Woodruff, of New York.

JAPS WANT NATURALIZATION. mbassador Aoki Thinks Favorable

Action by Congress on the Presi-dent's Recommendations Would dent's Go Far Toward Securing Continued Friendly Relations.

Washington, Dec. 8.—Favorable action by Congress on the recom-mendation of the President in his last annual message that an act be passed specifically providing for the nat-uralization of Japanese who come to the United States intending to be-

come American citizens, will go far toward securing a continuance of the traditional friendly relations between of Viscount Aoki, the Japanese ambassador.

The ambassador expressed the be lief that there were not so many Jap-anese in this country to take advant-age of naturalization if it were granted, but he thought that such an op-portunity should be afforded them along with the citizens of other coun He said he did not think it probable that those Japanese who were emigrating in large numbers to

Japan.

and Barely Escapes Violence at Hands of Mob. Pittsburg, Dec. 8.—Michael Kuro-yik a foreigner of Homestead, Pa., a suburb of this city, attacked Edna Story, 17 years old, in her home to-night and cut off her hair with a rasor. He marrowly escaped lynch-ing at the hands of an infuriated mob. Miss Story met Kurovik in a hallway and without a word he self her, and with one sinsh of the razor out the greater part of hor bair from her head. Reissamg the girl, the girl's cries attracted a large crowd of men, who captured Kurovik and were preparing to hang him when he was rescued by a squad of police. Surrounded by the mob, the officers runhed Kurovik to fine police sta-tion, with several hundred excited people in pursuit. For haif an hour the mob lingered around the sta-tion but dispersed when additional of-ficers arriged to guard the fail. Kurovik the police say, is appar-ently instance.

the Convention in the suppression of various forms of evil, and the Convention voted in favor of this co TWO SPENCER MEN KILLED.

On motion of F. D. Hale, the Con vention voted to hold a ministers conference next year on the day preceding the opening of the Convention. Dr. Hale asked that this be done as an experiment. He said he believed good would come of it and if it did, the Conference could be continued from year to year. President Jones appointed a committee of five to take this Conference under consideration and arrange its programme, etc. The report of the committee on publications was read by W. C. Bar-rett. In the report all of the pub-lications of the Baptist denomination in the State were commended, and greater support was asked. Mr. Barrett, in speaking of the report, snowed how necessary it was that these publications should be strong and consecrated, because they are the me-dium of communication between the churches and because they are a ource of education.

## HOME MISSIONS.

The report on home missions, read by A. E. Brown, recommended an appropriation of \$25,000 for this pur-

pose the coming year. J. F. Love, assistant secretary of the home missoin board of the Southern Baptist Convention, addressed the Convention on the subject of home missions.

In compliment to the rapid growth of the Baptists in North Carolina ho spoke of the fact that in Wilkes county alone there are \$5 Baptist churches, more than are to be found in the entire State of Maryland, and about as many as are in the State of Louisiana.

Johnston Livingston that last year there was an increase of \$130 over the amount received his country and Japan, in the opinion the year before, while this year the increase over that received last year was more than \$4,000.

## GREETING

A telegram of greeting from the North Carolina Conference of the M. E. Church. South, now in session at Rocky Mount, was read, and the secretary was instructed to reply to the same

The report of the committee on aged ministers' relief fund was read, and the members of the Convention were requested to let the committee know if they found that any of the

Insane Foreigner Cuts Off Girl's Hair and Barely Escapes Violence at Hands of Mob. Pittsburg, Dec. 8.—Michael Kuro-Pittsburg, Dec. 8.—Michael Kuro-

North Carolina, thecPelWucC-- tnC Rev. J. E. Massee left the Conven-tion in order to conduct the funeral services of the deceased preacher.

## JOHN C. BRAIN DEAD.

# muses Away at Home at Tampa, Fla. —He Commanded Several Vessels During the Civil War. Pass

During the Civil Was. Tampa, Fla., Dec. S.-John C. Brain, of the Confederate mavy, died here to-day of paralysis. During the civil war he commanded several Con-federate vessels. After the war he went to England and returning a month later he was arrested by or-der of Secretary of the Navy Gideon Weils and was held a prisoner until March, 1569, being the last Conferer-ate prisoner to be released. He was a close friend of Jefferson Davis.

Mr.

court Tuesday morning.

Engineer Kinney, Flagman Mull and an Unknown Man Meets Death in

Wreck at Danville. Special to The Observer.

Spencer, Dec. 8 .- Engineer George C. Kinney, of Spencer, was killed in a wreck at Danville early this morn-Rome, Mr. Roosevelt closes thus: ing, in which an unknown man and "I must ask -ou to give me this positive promise in writing, if Bellamy Flagman O. J. Mull, of Spencer, also is continued in the service, and if you lost their lives. Engineer Kinney was ever intentionally violate it I shall pulling northbound passenger train have to ask Bellamy's resignation, for No. 34, which left Spencer shortly af-I can no longer afford to have the chance of scandal being brought on ter midnight and ran into a norththe entire American diplomatic serv-ice and on the government itself by bound frieight train near the Danville yard limits. A number of box cars were demolished and the main line such indiscreet and ill-advised action as yours has been." of the Southern completely blocked for some time. It is stated that Flagman Mull is responsible for the disaster as he failed, it is stated, to protect his train from the rear, allowing the fast passenger train to collide with it. Mull was knocked senseless by the was in the public service, I felt and impact of the locomotive manned by still feel. I had lost none of the rights which a man has to judge for the propriety of letters addressed to his Engineer Kinney, but lived about two hours. Robert Ford, the colored fireman on No. 34, is also reported wife and to resent an improper communication. dead, but the rumor lacks verification. The wreck occurred in a manner sim-

ilar to the one on Thanksgiving Day when President Samuel Spencer and a number of others were killed near Lynchburg, in that one train was turned into a block before another had cleared.

Engineer Kinney was one of the best known engineers on the Southern road and had been running between Spencer and Monroe for a number of years. He was a son of Mr. Jerome Kinney, of Thomasville, who was himself a veteran engineer and was so badly hurt in a wreck at Harrisburg | sures. Two brothers, everal years ago. Charlie and James Kinney, both of whom are engineers, were also killed in wrecks on their engines. Another brother, Mr. W. A. Kinney, was at the throttle of the locomotive that ran into and killed President Spencer last week.

## SEVEN KILLED NEAR MARION.

Explosion in Tunnel on South & West-ern Yesterday-Seven Men Are Re-ported Killed but no Names or Particulars Can be Learned.

Special to The Observer.

Marion, Dec. 8 .- In an explosion which occurred near Marion to-day, in a tunnel on the South & Western Rallway, seven men were killed and seevn injured, one white and five negroes, and one Indian. No names, either of the dead or the injured, have been learned. The explosion was caused by a man hammering on a

House. Washington, Dec. 8.—Stuyvesant Fish, former president of the Illinois Central Railroad, called on the Presi-dent at the White House to-day and inter visited the offices of the inter-State commerce commission and talk-ed with the commissioners. It was stated that his visit had bothing to do with the proposed investigation of the roads of the Harriman system. Mr. Fish said he was not sware that he had any knowledge that we wild be of value to the commission in its proposed investigation, but if they felt disposed to call on him he would gladly respond.

The letter of Cardinal Val to you of Nov. 23 is a rebuke to Butler on the Tuesday night in question you, expressing plainly his belief that you have been unwarrantably offici-The defense attempted by questions to show that the mayor reported these reous in matters with which you have properly no concern. It should of itself be enough to show you how exceedingly unwise and improper your action in writing to him was."

marks to a man whose wife carried them directly to Mrs. Birdsong. Mrs. Mary Hoffman was called and tes-tified that she had told Mrs. Birdson about the stories alleged to have been told by Dr. Butler. After referring to the report that The defense rested its case to-day. Ar-Mrs. Storer was known in Europe as the American ambassadoress to guments will begin Monday.

KILLED BY NO. 12

Mr. S. W. Bagley, a Promising Young Man of Bessemer City, Run Over and Killed by Train. Special to The Observer.

Bessemer City, Dec. 8.---Mr. S. W. Bagley, of Bessemer City, was killed by train No. 12 to-night at 6:30. He was attempting to cross the track as No. 12 was slowing down at the star tion. He slipped and fell immediate

MR. STORER'S STATEMENT. ly in front of the train. He was mashed up badly. His left ler was eut off below the knee and in left "I cannot trust myself to express fully the feeling of indignation with which I read the letter to Mrs. arm was broken above the elbow. Store-." says Mr. Storer. "Though head and breast were badly

gled. Mr. Bagley came uere from Rock Hill six months ago to work in the drug store of D. A. Garrison & Com-pany, for which he worked for five months. At the time of his death he

was clarking for George Brotners, Mr. Bagiey is an orphan boy, having one brother living. His father and moth-er died when he was a small boy. He was reared by Mr. J. 'W. Miller, of Newport, S. C., a small town near Book Hill. "My wife was deliberately accused of having quoted isolated sentences from the President's letters to convince other persons that he was doing exactly what, as he asserts, he had explicitly stated in writing that he Rock Hill.

Mr. Bagley was a fine young man, with good habits. He looked after "This charge of shameful conduct his duties well and had a pror was based on no evidence which could future. He was a member of Tir-sah A. R. P. church in York county, S. C. The deceased had many friends even have misled the writer into a hasty judgment, but was in answer to a letter which, whether approved or here who regret to hear of his He was 22 years old. not, at least furnished no such evidence either in itself or in its inclo-

The remains of Mr. Bagley were shipped on train No. 40 to Richburg, S. C. the home of his brother, Mr. "The tone of long suffering and outraged patience, the careful omission of all mention of anything that the Malden Bagley.

writer had himself done and author-PLANNING AN INVESTIGATION. ized to be done in the matters complained of, the quotation from the

Hill Railroad Interests to Be Probed by Inter-State Commerce Commis-sion---No Specific Complains Have as Yet Been Made. letters written at the time of my errand to the Pope, without any of the facts and circumstances related above

as Yet Been Made. Washington, Dec. 8.—An investiga-tion of the operation and manage-ment of the railroads controlled by James J. Hill and his associates, in-cluding the Northern Pacific, the Great Northern and the Chicago, Bur-lington & Quincy, is in contemplation mission, The matter has been talk-ed over by the commissioners and after certain preliminaries have been arranged and counset for the com-mission melected, formal auncunce-ment of the proposed inquiry will be which would give those letters their true character or show that they were an anery complaint, because what he had directed to be done had become known-these things, with the abusive personal characterisation of my wife with what had been in fact, permitted and encouraged where not expressly di-rected, seemed to put the letter outside the limit of anything justifiable even in a stranger. What a sense of outraged friendship it aroused in us ment of the proposed inquiry can perhaps be understood by anyone made. who has read even the small part of

As in the case of the proposed vestigation of the management control of the Southern Pacific vestigation of the management are control of the Southern Pacific and Union Pacific roads of the Harriman system, the inquiry is not les out growth of any specific complaints of merce law, but is to be undertaken by virtue of the generial nquisiter powers conferred on the commando by Congress. The inquiry will be broad and comprehensive one with view to ascertaining the exact con dition of affairs regarding the rail roads with relation to their compli-ance with the terms of the inter State commerce act. A member the commission in speaking of the proposed inquiry, said: "Although there has been eastwarf compliance with the degree of the fu-preme Court in disserving the South ore Securities Company, yet there tay been no difference in the raise size

to-day and it is not certain that the President will discuss the matter at any time in the future. It is said by persons familiar with the correspondence that there are im-portant omissions from several of the President's letters as published and inaccurscies in a number of them and that the deductions reached in a num-ber of instances are not justified by the facts that would be disclosed by a study of the publication in fail of the President's letters and those of the ambassador.

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box of dynamite with a hammer. No direct statement bearing on the Stuyvesant Fish a Caller at the White House. ssues raised in the correspondence between the President and former Ambassador and Mrs. Beliamy Storer was obtainable at the White House to-day and it is not certain that the

dependent ministers were not receiv-ing means enough from the bodyd to furnish them sufficient support. All NARROWLY ECAPES LYNCHING, of the reports submitted were adop-