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(Dorolla Sherrod) was delightfully (Dorolla Sherrod) was delightfully vere injured. lo. 32 was northbound a for Richmond." received both by her and the audience. This was the best playing that he did, though his part was well done throughout. LES WITH ROBBERS. of Chicago, Burlington Ratiroad Saves Much

Fighting Off Robbers.

La., Dec. 31.—It was

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Stewart and Hugh York. The proprie-

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tion of the Maine

The heroine's business could not ave been better done; she had some Dec. 31 .- C. C. Morris, situations that required quite a deal of finesse and she carried them off for the Chicago, Burling-Railroad, grappled with robbers and beat them beautif ly. It is said that she is really Mrs. Murphy. Anyhow, she day. One robber stood Morris while the other is a capital actress. Nor could Mrs. sh drawer. Gabbing a Morris struck his guard in this part, and she would seem to failure Saturday night on Chestnut be the same actress that filled it Hill. He was 79 years old and had heretofore. The English swell was been a member of that order 50 low, rendering him sensehe grappled with the the drawer, who had his of money. They fought not so good as his predecessor. Ber- years to the platform and were tram Livingston, played by Mr. Duda terrific struggle when ley, was excellent; his utter collapse robber recovered, jointed under financial ruin reminded one of anion and the two an off in William H. Crane's closing scene in "Business is Business."

shots at the agent. The rob-Of course Mr. Murphy made a hit. drawer got a few dollars He was called before the curtain at uch more money on the the close of the second act and rea it was struck from his sponded with two or three good stories. His playing however hod not reached its climax until the third act TAKE AN APPEAL. when he called at the heroine's Fifth avenue residence to facilitate the love Increase of Rates on affair between her and his partner. d to Points North of Here he won a great deal of applause River Will Go to Supreme and heatry laughter.

The character of Johnson is better suited to Mr. Murphy than that of Tilottson. The leaving out of many business details and the hitting of ground only in high places, entrusting lots of the events to the imagination of the audience has made "A Corper in Coffee" one of the best plays on points north of the Ohio

It would not be proper to close a without recalling that when he first played in Charlotte the majority of his house was empty benches. When asked by a reporter how he felt about it, he replied. "Oh, well, I like this town and I intend to keep on coming here until I play to good houses."

KILLED ON PUBLIC SQUARE.

INT PAPER SYNDICATE. Bob Rominger that Bob Church in Mitchell County—Was Serving as Marshal and Shot Prisoner Withof Formation at Appleton, Wisconsin. Wis., Dec. 31.—A print out Provocation Special to The Observer.

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int ther transpired toa said to have
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of stence several Minnesota, is in proclaimed he committed the deed in self-defense, he was held to court without ball by the trial magistrate. Deputy Sheriff Calleway left with Rominger for Bakerwill, a distance of 28 miles across the mountains, and while en route tominger made his escape and has not jet been reand Hotel Burned.

Dec. 31.—A special

says the cable stacaptured. the terminus of

According to information received here, the killing of Church was unand the Hotel Shultz royed by fire yesterprovoked. Bob Romiriger, It scema recently returned from the far of far es Monteguma and the section there-abouts, and when he took his de-parture for the cat mole than one person felt relieved. He returned a ultz, who was also ble station, was the short time ago, however, and for some reason the authorities of Mantefor tuma selected Bob as the town mar-On the day of the killing it is SERVICE mid that Rominger, still serving as police officer, was to an sigly and that when he placed his t'hurch under arrest on the public MUNITE flicer. the latter "sussed" that of Rominger, it is alleged, will out ther provocation, drew his bist shot Church through the heart kill-

ing him instantly.
The killing of Church was the murder that has been committed the square in Monteguna daring past several years. All three of victims were slain within rem st each other and the Fillings about two years apart.

THE NEW YEAR USHERED IN.

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Accident.

Special to The Observer. Louisburg, Dec. 31.—Mr. J. F. Jones, one of the oldest and most prominent citizens of the county, died Friday night at 8 o'clock at his home at Laurel, this county. He had been in falling health for a long time,

owell as Tilottson, and when came in later he did so amid services took place Saturday morning at his residence, conducted by his that the two men do not look like the two men do not look like the two men do not look. The interment took place at the Louisburg Cemetery Saturday af-ternoon about \$ o'clock.

The deceased for a long time en joyed the distinction of being the only cotton manufacturer in Franklin county, running a yarn mill at Laurel, together with a general store. From these enterprises he accumulatconsiderable property. Among other relatives he leaves a grandson, Mr. Frank H. Jones, of Charlotte. Mr. H. Brooks, of Salisbury.

Special to The Observer. Salisbury, Dec. 31.—Probably the oldest Odd Fellow in the county Powel's hantem and her disgust at and one of the oldest in the State "flats, work, and Harlem" have been died when H. Brooks, a well-known better done. Miss Decater appeared carpenter succumbed from heart

> The death of this seed man was entirely unexpected. He had been up at midnight, but did not show any illness. Nearly two hours later his wife heard difficult breathing and a few minutes later he was dead. funeral will be held from the Methodist church to-morrow morning and the order will do the honors.

LADY DIES FROM BURNS.

Mrs. Hester A. Weaver, Who Lives Near Weaverville, Dies as Result of Being Burned. Special to The Observer.

Asheville, Dec. 31 .- Mrs. Hester A. Weaver, mother of Capt. William Trotter Weaver, of Asheville; Rufus Weaver, of Weaverville and Mrs. Joseph Burnett, of Newport, Tenn., was so fearfully burned at her home near Weaverville Saturday morning that death ensued yesterday. Mrs. Weaver, who was 75 years of age, was living alone in a cottage on her son's notice of one of Tim Murphy's shows place near Weaverville when the accident occurred. How her clothing caught fire no one knows. Saturday morning she tottered into the yard where children were playing with her dress blazing. The blaze was extinguished by water, but not until nearly all the clothes were burned off. Mrs. Weaver failed to rally from the shock, and was never able to tell how the accident occurred. She was one of the best-known women in this county and the widow of Capt. T. J. Weaver, who was killed at Murfreesboro while leading a charge against the Federal troops.

SUMNER SURRENDERS

Slayer of Chas, Powers at Arden Seeks Protection of the Law-Negro Woman's Escape.

Special to The Observer.

Asheville, Dec. 31 .- Frances Sumner, the slayer of Charles Powers, at Arden Thursday, surrendered to two deputy sheriffs this afternoon, and is now in Buncombe county jail. Sumner feared the wrath of the dead man's relatives and friends, and decided to place himself in the hands of the law and make a fight for freedom in the courts.

A demented negro woman this afternoon set fire to a cottage in Victoria, a suburb of Asheville, and before the firemen could respond the cottage was burned to the ground with all its contents. The woman

Reidsville Wants a Vote on. Court House Question. to The Observer

Reidaville Dec. 31 .- At a representative mass meeting of the citizens of the town it has been unanimously decided to ask the Legislature to aland low the citizens of this county vote at an early date on the court house question. Two propositions will be voted on, as follows: Division ro no division in one box, and Wentworth or Reidaville in another box. This will give each voter an opportunity to vote for his first and second choice in the matter, and considering the fact that the western section of the county will vote almost solidly for division, with a substantial support from this section and Leaksville and pray to assist, it seems most probbie that the county will be divided, rebuild the court house at Reidsthough supporters of the propo-

claim, that the proposition in seasily. It is conceded by belly that in a short while ch will cease to be a county committee of five was appointnight to consult with like comfrom other townships in the to draw the bill to be conby the approaching session of ne Legislature. A committee of 10 vas also named by the chairman to irculate petitions asking for the elec-

London Dec 31.—It is announced where they will live. that the remains of Baaroness that the remains of Baroness Burdett-Coutts, who died at her residence here yesterday, will be buried in Westminster Abbey. The offer was made to Mr. Burdett-Coutts yesterday by the dean of the Abbey, after consultation with the colleagues in the chapter, and accepted. The burial ceremonies will occur at noon of January 5. Messages of condolence continue to be received from all parts of the world. of the world.

Countess of Clancarty Dead. London, Dec 21 -The Counters of Clancarty, who was at one time well known on the singer as Belle Bijton, died this evening at her residence at Garbally Park, county Galway, Ire-

ithe car and a wagon poles. The care crash-wagon on a dark street, an and driver were armost a cough Curr like 1r. Shoop's, For years Dr. Shoop has fought against the use of Optum, Chiorogram, or other unsafe ingredients commonly found in Cough remedies. Dr. Shoop it seems, are ward of E50 for the simpson, who precipitated county troubles by killing elem, and also offers a refor the three white men, it layer and Ernest Bryse, the killing of the negre, shoop's Cough Curry Shoop's Cough the county of th

Juan Dias de Solls again en-tered the Rio de Rolls, which he had discevered three years previ-ous. In attempting a descent on the country he was shin by the untives, who, in sight of the ship, cut his body in pieces and roasted and devoured it. He was reputed the ablest navigator in the world. the world. Charter of the first New

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Netherland Company expired by its own limitation. 6.—Norfolk burned. Lord Dun-Morfolk burned. Lord Dunmore, the royal Governor of
Virginia, having abandened the
town and retired on board his
ahips, became distressed for provisions, and on arrival of the
Laverpool man-of-war, the inhabitants refusing to supply his
majesty's ships, the place was
reduced to ashes. The provincials themselves destroyed the
houses and plantations near the houses and plantations near the water, to deprive the ships of every source of supply.—Revolt of the Pennsylvania

line, at Norristown, N. J. They had enlisted for three years, and that term having expired, they wished to be discharged.

7198.—A beginning was made upon the Pennsylvania State canal, at Conewago Falls; seventeen rocks being blasted—one for stockholder of the canal each -American dragoons under

Captain Stone advanced on Buffalo, accompanied by Lieutenants Riddle, Totman and Frazer, of the United States Regiment; the militia retiring. Tolman was killed and Riddle nerrowly escaped being captured.

-The British under General Packenham spened a battery of two 18-pounders on the Americans at New Orleans; it was silenced the same day. The Americans had a beat loaded with military stores sunk, 34 men killed and wetneed, and two calssons being blown up by rockets. General Thomas Joined. General Jackson the same day with 660 men from Baton Rouge 1817.—The new Bank of the United States opened at Carrenter's Hall. J. H. Wearn & Company

States opene. William Philadelphia; Jenathan William Jones, cashler. 1825 .- Great 'Britain acknowledged the independance of the South American republics.

1885 .- First daily paper in Buffalo, N. Y. 1848 .- The State of Maryland repudiated repudiation and resumed payment of interest on her debt at the Chesapeake Bank, Balti-

848 .- Girard College orened with appropriate caramonies at Phila-

1875.—The Piu Indians reported to be on the war bath in Indian Territory, and Vinita citizens believed the sacking of the town imminent. 3.-Cable communication between

the United States and Hawaii established

MARRIAGES.

Special to The Observer.

Tarboro, Dec. 31 .- Married at the bride's home near Conetoe, this county, Miss Bessie Highsmith to Mr. George Willard, of Kinston, on the 26th, Rev. Sylvester Hassell, the Primitive Baptist minister, performing the ceremony. They left for Charleston, S. C., to spend their honeymoon and also to visit Mr. Willard's mother. They will reside in Kinston,

Mr. Willard holds a responsible position with the Atlantic Coast Line. The bride is an accomplished young

Mooring-Mayo, in Edgecombe County Special to The Observer.

Tarboro, Dec. 31 .- Married, at the home of one of Edgecombe's popular men Mr. John Mayo, his handsome daughter, Miss Elizabeth, to Mr James Mooring, of Greenville, on the 26th. Rev. M. T. Lawrence officiated. A great many friends gathered to witness the marriage. There were many presents, which attested the popularity of the young couple. Mr. each Range. and Mrs. Mooring left on the evening train for sunny Florida to spend their honeymoon. On their return they will make Greenville their future home.

Person-Andrews Wedding Announced. Observer Bureau. The Hollaman Building

Raleigh, Dec. 31 Invitations were issued to-day to the wedding of Miss Mary Haywood Andrews, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Philemon Hawkins Andrews, to Willlam Montgomery Person, January 16, at the Church of the Good Shepherd here. The bride-elect is the niece of Col. A. B. Andrews, granddaughter on her mother's side Governor Fowle, great-grand-daughter of Chief Justice Richmond M. Pearson, and on her father's side great-grand-daughter of Governor Hawkins. Mr. Person is a native of He was graduated six this State. years ago at the Agricultural & Me chanical College. He now lives at Baltimore. Spencer-Wood, at Hamlet.

Special to The Observer. Hamlet, Dec. 31 .- Mr. Charles H. Spencer and Miss Julia Wood, both

Daffy.
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Through coach, Charlotte and Roanoka. Additional train Saves Winston 7:30 a.m., daily except Sunday, for Southwest, Virginia and Shenandosh Valley points.

Trav. Pass. Agent.

B. B. BEVILL, Ge'l Pass. Agent. Hamlet, were united in marriage at the Methodist parsonage by Rev. T. A. Sikes Thursday night. Im-mediately after the ceremony they left for a trip to Raleigh, Greensboro Funeral of Baroness Burdett-Coutts and Ashevodo, where they will visit relatives and friends. After a fortnight they will return to Hamlet,

> Asheville Man Seriously Shot at Sparspecial to The Observer.

Asheville, Dec. 31.—J. O. Moore, an employe of the Asheville cotton mills, was accidentally shot through the hand, while his brother-in-law, S. J. Foster, was shot through the stomach, at Spartanburg Juncilen Christmas day, Mr. Moore has returned to Asheville, Mr. Moore has returned to Asheville, Mr. Moore has returned to Asheville. Mr. Foster is in a critical condition at his home near Spartanburg. It seems that Mr. Moore went to Spartanburg Junction to visit his father Christmas and during the day went with his brother-in-law for target practice. The men were using a pistol and while loading the wapon it was accidentally fired, the ball passing through Mr. Moore's hand, inflicting a painful, though not serious, wound, and then entered Mr. Moore's atomach. Mr. Moore's wound is reported serious and fear is entertained that he will not recover.

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