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#### CHARLOTTE, N. C., SATURDAY MORNING, MARCH 16, 1907.

PROVEMENTS.

MR. M'DOWELL CHEERED.

thing better for the town.

PRICE FIVE CENTS.

SETTIET.

"The defense, however, will not,

Adjorunment was taken until Mon-

Southern Railway Employe Charged With Robbing Freight Cars—Impli-

Arrests to Follow.

Special to The Observer.

Krider, of Rowan.

cated by Vall's Confession-Other

Spencer, March 15 .-- Capt. A. L.

Pritchard, a well-known Southern

Railway conductor of this place, was

arrested to-day on the charge of rob-

Spencer, the warrant having been

sworn out by Special Agent Seigle, of

the Southern's detective force. The ar-

The alleged operations of the con-

ductor were learned through the con-

fession of Brakeman S. P. Vail, who

was arrested yesterday on the same

charge. Other members of the same

train crew were implicated in the con-

fession, and more arrests are expect-

ed. The investigations of a half-doz-

en detectives in Spencer during the

past month has caused a decided sen-

sation here. Both Pritchard and Vall

Following the arrest of Conductor

## HABBISON ADMITTED DEED

#### TELL OF CONFESSION

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the Lad in a Bu d Having the Boy in Even Making Over-Futher for His Ran-te Rests and the De-The State Rests and the Do looks to Establish an Alibi, peolal to The Observer.

sabeth City, March 15 .- In yesterday afternoon's session the prosecution laid the foundation to prove the kidnapping theory. The immense crewd which orammed every available foot of space was profoundly impressed, and many hitherto skeptical as to stated that the ground was covered the causes of Kenneth Beasley's disappearance are now convinced that he was kidnaped.

Court convened this morning at 9:45. In less than five minutes a great legal battle began. Mr. J. W. Poyner inst testified. His testimony was along the same line of previous witnesses, and dealt with the location and the search by which the prosecution intends to disprove the drowning theory.

The prosecution produced more tangible evidence when Mr. Millard Morrisette was called. He testified that he was on the road the day the boy disappeared; that he met a mule and buggy going at a rapid gait (description of mule and buggy tallies with Harrison's) that he saw a boy in the buggy, light complexion, had on blue cap (Kenneth were blue cap); did not notice man particularly. His evidence was unshaken under cross-examination by E. F. Aydett.

#### SAW LAD IN BUGGY.

Mr. J. L. Turner next testified that he crossed the road on that day in front of a mule and buggy and saw man throw blanket around boy. Spoke to man and called him. Mr. Turner saw boy's legs through crack in curtain; had on blue stockings (Kenneth had on blue ones.) A severe crossexamination by ex-Governor Aycock failed to shake evidence.

Mr. Perry next testified that he saw the mule and buggy on that day; the of something; heard a soothing voice of these facilities at the earliest possaying, "Here, there;" believes voice was Harrison's. The cross-examination failed to shake his evidence. CORROBORATIVE TESTIMONY.

Mr. Lemuel Sivle next testified that

e saw Harrison in Elizabeth City on that the boy was a uld lay hands on hi ost, that he

ost, that he could by innut any time. On cross-examinat evidence remained unshaken. The State put character w on after all their important stant wittesses to prove their good reputation.

THE STATE RESTS. At 5 o'clock Solicitor Ward an-nounced that the State would rest, and the defense opened with J. B. Harrison on the stand. Harrison said he was a son of the defendant, and that his father was home on Monday, the 13th of February, 1905, and was also there Tuesday and Wednesday, with the exception of a short time he drove over to the store. This was confirmed by Thomas Harrison, another son of the defendant. His story was regular, with the exception of his stating that they went out in the woods Tuesday and got straw for the stables, and later two or three inches with snow that fell Monday night before. Lee Thomas also testified to having seen

Joshua Harrison at home Monday afternoon of the 18th. So far the defense is relying solely on an alibi. There have been several lively

bouts between opposing counsel, but Judge Allen, before whom the case is being heard, has managed to pour oil on the troubled waters.

### AN APPEAL TO SOUTHERNERS

President Finley, of Southern, Business Banquet at New Orleans, Asks Support of Railroads.

New Orleans, March 15 .- An appeal to all Southerners to stand by the railroads for the sake of the de-W. Finley, president of the Southern Railway, at a business banquet tendered him here. He said in part: "If railways of the South are to be brought up to the standard required by the expanding business of South-ern communities, the people of the South must be actuated by the same spirit of co-operation they showed in the early days of railway building, tions: when communities vied with each

other in offering inducements for construction. The day for governmental and municipal financial aid for railway lines has passed and the many millions of dollars that wil be required for additional track capacity and terminal facilities must be oband operations shall be entirely withtained from private investors. "The great part of the money must

be borrowed. "Identified during most of my

business career with the railways of manic election for the city of Char- past differences. We must push forthe South, I know the resources of its lotte and that all elections on the ward to 'etter things, I am here to railways will be taxed to the utmost whiskey question should be called by obey the dictates of the sovereign to provide the additional facilities petition of the qualified voters of the will of the people. I want to go in unman had a storm blanket over a lump that, wil be required. The provison city as prescribed in our general li- pledged save to do my duty." quor law, known as the Watts law, sible date is of incalculably more and as declared in the last Demicratimportance to the South than any pos- ic platform, and in the recent charter deem to be my duty without fear or afble rate reduction, or any propesition of the city of Charlotte, and when the favor. No one has asked me to to penalize roads for failure to per- people speak upon the question their form services which are beyond their voice should be heeded and all officers charged with the enforcement of was one man that did not believe any-"I believe that it is to the inter- the law should faithfully and impar-

be fostered.' BLOODSHED AT WILMINGTON.

AN ALDERMANIC TICKET 10. H. C. Severs, alderman; Ward 11, A. Bunn, alderman, and L. C. Hern-. Bunn, alderman THE MUNICIPAL LEAGUE ACTS. Mr. McRae moved that the get

One of the Most Euthu Ever Held Was That of the Business Men's Municipal League at the Court House-Mr. McRae Starts Ours House-Mr. McRae Starts Off With a Capital Speech and Res-olutions-Liquor Out of the Contest -The Recorder is Not an Issue-Many Speeches Made by Candidates and Others-The Democratic Party rs-The Demo

tion cost him \$7.45 before he could tell the man at the other end of the the Place to Make the Fight. line his name. Everybody, understand-One of the most significant politi- ing that Mr. Wadsworth has a little cal meetings ever held in the city of attractive impediment in his speech, Charlotte was the one at the court enjoyed the joke on him. house last night under the auspices MR. WILLIAMS FAVORS IMof the Business Men's Municipal League. Charlotte people ars more in-

terested in who shall represent them on their board of aldermen than ever before. All sorts and conditions of men took part in the meeting last night and meetings before, but that he was very much interested in this one. He did tive of all elements. Mr. Thomas J. Davis, president of the league, called the meeting to or-der at 8:15 o'clock and Mr. William the people.

R. Robertson, secretary, read the minutes of the last meeting. MR. M'RAE LEADS OFF.

Immediately after this Mr. John A. McRae arose and addressed the audience. Among other things he said: 'A great deal has been said about the recordership. Personally I am for Mr. F. M. Shannonhouse against the

field for the office. He is a capable officer; he is a fearless officer, and, in my judgment, he is an impartial offi-

city."

the city.

cer, and if he shows any bias, which deny, it is born of a hatred of violations of the law, and not of personai blas. "But gentlemen, the city of Charlotte is too large and its demands too great for it to concentrate in a munivelopment was made to-night by W. cipal election all of its energies on the election of a recorder and L for one, am willing to leave the election

of this officer to a board of aldermen, Charlotte move forward. capable of dealing with this and all other questions that may arise." These sentiments were cheered by that may interest a good citizen of

the crowd, which by that time had become large. Having concluded his remarks, Mr. McRae read the following resolu-

SHOULD LEAVE RECORDERSHIP TO ALDERMEN. do." "Be it resolved, by the Business

and the speaker took his seat. Men's Municipal League: "1. That the Business Men's Muni cipal League is a Democratic organization and that all its deliberations

ment. in that party. "2. That it is the sense of this league that the whiskey question does astic speech. He said: "We must put not nor should it arise in an alder- our shoulders to the wheel and forget

promise anything."

he saw mule and buggy; saw boy had est of the raliways and the people that tially perform their duties. It is the purpose of the he stood for the upbuilding of the on blue can; boy was between man's a snirit of harmony and just dealing "3. That it is the purpose of the city and for all of the people.

HUMMEL STOBY ADMITTED TELLS OF ALLEGED AFFIDAVIT

Mr. Jarome's objection was over-ruled and Dr. Mabon replied; "They do." Mr. Jerome announced that when the matter of the admissibility of the Hummel affidavit is disposed of, the prosecution will rest. men named be accepted as candidates of the league before the primaries. Speeches were in order. Mr. James W. Wadsworth was called on and he escused himself by declaring that he elmas Fought District Attorney Ev-ery Inch, but White's Former Attor-ney Was Allowed to Give Full Story of Affidavit Alleged to Have Been Signed by Evelyn Thaw in 1903, Charging Defendant With Beating Her When She Said Stanford White Had Not Drugged and Ruined Her --Mrs. Thaw Called in Effort to Keep Hummel Silent---Witness Dragged Through Details of Pros-ecution for Conspiracy by Deimas. said mr. Dolmas, and he further intimated that more experts will be called by him on sur-rebuttal. spoke like he talked over the tele-phone an dthe only time that he ever tried long distance wire the conversaday.

SPENCER CONDUCTOR ARRESTED ecution for Conspiracy by Deb

New York, March 15 .--- With Attorney Delmas fighting him every inch

of the way, District Attorney Jerome to-day secured from Abraham Hum-Mr. Charles A. Williams was the mel his complete story as to the affinext to speak. He said that he was davit, which it is alleged Evelyn Nesglad to see so many business men out. bit Thaw made in the lawyar's office He had not attended any political in 1908 charging Harry K. Thaw with bing freight cars in, and around beating her when she had told him not want to be an alderman but he that the statement that Stanford was ready to abide by the wishes of White had drugged and ruined her rest was made by Sheriff J. Hodge "As I undrestand the situation, we

was not true. The Hummel testimony want men who are able to and will came during the afternoon session of meet the demands as they arise. If the trial to-day and Mr. Delmas' first am elected I promise you that I objection broadly to all of Hummel's shall go in with my hands untied. If testimony, offered a specific objection I go in I shall devote much of my time to each question put by the prosecuto the work of the city. We should build streets. You may count on me tor. Justice Fitzgerald overruled evfor anything that will improve the ery objection and Mr. Delmas had exceptions to the rulings noted on the records. Mr. F. B. McDowell said: "I shall

will be given a preliminary trial next Evelyn Nesbit Thaw was called to not make you any promises, but would Monday. the stand in the effort of the defense meet the issues as they come. Our to keep Hummel silent. She declared merchants are entitled to better pro-Pritchard, and Brakeman Vail, of the she had called upon Hummel in his tection. The streets should be im-Southern Railway. Norman Benson professional capacity and to seek his proved. Macadam roads will do for advice as a lawyer. Stanford White and J. T. Banks, two well known railthe country, but we must have someroad men of Spencer, were arrested had taken her to the lawyer's office with that end in view. "We have a great debt and we need

Judge Fitzgerald declared that ad- charge of car robbery. The arrests many improvements. Our water sunmitting the proposition of counsel and were made by the Southern Railway ply is inadequate. We desire to see client. Mrs. Thaw had herself waived detectives who have been working you, and you are invited to co-operthe professional privilege by taking "I am read yto answer any question the stand early in the case and giving as to how I stand on any proposition her version of what transpired at Hummel's office. The bond of secrecy once removed could not be re-es-

Mr. McDowell waited to give any ablished one in the crowd an opportunity to CONVICTED OF CONSPIRACY.

interrogate him. His proposition was Unsuccessful in blocking Hummel's so fair and so frank that some fellow estimony, Attorney Delmas in crossin the audience cried out, "You will examining the witness brought from The house whooped and cheered his own lips the fact that he had been confucted in December, 1905, on a Mr. Jo Garibaldi said that he felt charge of conspiracy in the same court room in which Thaw is being

sure that the candidates of the Municipal League would be elected in ried. He further admitted that two his ward. The boys cheered this stateindictments for subordination of perjur yare pending against him and that one of these indictments charges him Col. Kirkpatrick made an enthusi-

jur yare pending against him and that one of these indictments charges him with naving caused a false affidavit to be made. Mr. Jerome protested against the humiliating details" of his trial, but Justice Fitzgerald declined to inter-fere. Mr. Delmas asked Hummel if he had not heard the speech made by District Attorney Jerome when sen-tence was about to be imposed, when Mr. Jerome urged the court to pass

Mr. A. Bunn, being called out, declared: "If elected I shall do what I Mr. Jerome urged the court to pass the longest and heaviest sentence within its power upon Hummel, as he "bad heav a sentence" of opinion, a visit to the President would be idle. At the conclusion of the Capt. W. R. Robertson said that he

' until some method

man Does the Talking.

was one man that did not believe any-thing impossible. He declared that he stood for the upbuilding of the nally sustained an objection to this E. H. Harriman will leave this city aught to disregard all party lines and E. H. Harriman will leave this city aught to disregard all party lines and

TO AID COAST ARTILLERY GOV. GLENN RECEIVES LETTER

Invites Co-operation Between Militia and the United States H lars in the Coast Artillery—Ins tion at Fort Caswell, Beginning ly 1 and Ending July 15, or at Time as May be Most Acceptan No Expense to the State and No Expense to the State and F Instructions Will be Given by Ch of Artillery-Ex-Senator McLaurin, of South McLaurin, of South Carolina Third-Term Roosevelt Advocate.

BY ZACK MGHEE.

Observer Bureau, 1417 G. Street, N. W., Washington, March 15.

In pursuance of the plans of the War Department to reinforce the coast artillery with detachments of the State militia, the War Department last night wrote to Governor Glenn, asking him to detail 3 companies of infantry to go to Fort Caswell from July 1 to the 15th, to drill with the regulars at the Fort. There are not enough men in the coast artillery as present to man the guns provided, and the Department upon the suggestion of the chief of artillery of the army wishes to make this interesting experiment. If it proves successful the coast artillery will be permanently reinforced by these details, having as many State troops at each fort as regulars. The letter to Governor Gienn is similar in form to those to 15 other Governors of coast States, and it invites a co-operation between the State militia and the United States regulars in the coast artillery. Among other things, the letter says: "To put this plan to a practical test, camps of instruction will be held in at Greensboro last night on the thé artillery district of Fort Caswell charge of car robbery. The arrests from July 1 to July 15th, or at such a time as may be most acceptable to ate with the regular forces by desigrailway employes for some time. Both nating organizations of the national guard of your State for duty to the commanding officer of said artillery

district for one week or ten days dur-USELESS TO SEE PRESIDENT. ing that period. All field staff and non-commissioned staff officers of Four Railroad Presidents Confer at

regiments from which companies may Grand Central Station-Mr. Harribe detailed are invited to take part in the course of instructions. This duty New York, March 15.—Messrs. McCrea, Mellen, Hughitt and Newman, the four railroa presidents for whose visit to the white House J. Pierpont Morgan arranged before his departure for Europe, held a conference at the Grand Central station in this city to-day. The whole situation was canvassed with great care and it was finally decided not to go to Washington. will be without expense to the State and full instructions will be given by the chief of artillery should you decide to assign your troops to those

camps of instructions." M'LAURIN A ROOSEVELT MAN.

There is one man in the South who thinks T. R. is all right anyway, Some people in North Carolina have heard of him. His name is John L. McLaurin. They used to call him "Little Curly-headed Johnnie" over in South Carolina in that early day. John L. was a Senator once, but he isn't now. Anyway he says T. R. is about the greatest man who ever sat upon the throne or came down the pike, and he wants him to rule over this country many days. John L. went up to see the Great Man to-day, and talking about him at the Raleigh

nominate President Roosevelt for a

third term. I, for one, intend to sup-

port him if he is a candidate for the

The former Senator doesn't think

wise for it. But there is something

honest.

The

else in the way. "In my opinion,"

presidency next year"

on the cases against a number of young men stood well in Spencer.

knees

Mr. J. J. Pierce next testified that he lived in Norfolk at the time; saw boy on the street car with two young men, one drunk; recognized him and "Hello, Kenneth;" boy never said spoke; had not heard of boy's disappearance at the time; communicated with boy's father. The cross-examination failed to shake evidence.

Mr. A. L. Evan next testified that he heard Harrison say that Mr. Beas-ley ought to be tarred, feathered and tied to a stake, and that he would like to apply the torch. Court adjourned for dinner.

"CATCHING BEFORE HANGING." At the afternoon session of the trial of Joshua Harrison, convening at 3:30 p. m., the first witness was L. Baum, who said he had lived in Currituck county all his life and that he was well acquainted with Joshua Harrison. Witness said that the latter drew a pistol. Simmons after the disappearance of Kenneth Beasley Harrison spoke to him about the matter several times and would always broach the subject as soon as they got together. Witness said he cautioned Harrison about his rash statements, to which he re-"It's catching before hangplied: ing," and that he believed witness was his friend and would swear to a is to save him; that some time after this witness and a colored man went to Harrison's for some wine and Harrison asked witness if he knew why Beasley was not going to/ the Legislature. Witness replied that he did not, whereupon Harrison said: Well, I do, I am responsible for it."

Witness replied: "I will give you credit for it. just like I gave you credit for the disappearance of the Beasley boy." Harrison replied: "So you give

me credit for that?" Witness replied: "I do."

ADMITTED HIS CRIME.

"I will acknowledge, then," said Harrison, "that I am responsible for

T. C. Woodhouse testified that he was a resident of Currituck county and acquainted with Joshua Harrison; that on one occasion Harrison approached him and tol dhim he anted to have a confidential heartto-heart talk with him; that soon fter that he met Harrison on the considerable excitement. unty road and they stopped SAVANNAH CARPENTERS STRIKE ik: that Harrison asked the witto not let his to not let his name be known. d see what he would give for the y's return; that as soon as enough

reward was offered the child would be returned, and that he would like als information, as it was mighty expensive keeping the child the way he was being kept. Witness said he would do so, and after seeing Beasley, asked Harrison to go up to his room with him. That he did so, and Harrison and witness sat down on the bed and took up the subject of the lost child.

KNEW CHILD'S WHEREABOUTS. riod of work. Witness told Harrison Beastey would give all he possessed or anything Harrison could want, if would only return the child. That Harrison then got up and attempted to an abrupt halt. to leave the room, but witness locked and Harrison began to cry and be-

aght witness not to hurt him, at e same time denying having had such conversation with witness witness said he had. Witness also Harrison told him the boy was as well as ever and that he could

T. N. Simmons Fatally Shoets M. H. Bryan After Drinking With Him the "Cup of Good Cheer."

Special to The Observer. Wilmington, March 15 .- M. H. Bryan, son of a former policeman, was shot and perhaps fatally wounded late this afternoon by T. N. Simmons, a carpenter. The men were around the polls in the fifth ward and had retired to a rear foom in Hall's drug store. They had a drink together and it is too clear for argument that the then began jibing one another about

which was the best man. One word brought on another and Bryan told that men of impartial judgment, capa-Simmons that if he jumped on him, ble of dealing with all questions as he had better make peace with his God or words to that effect; contain-

ing a veiled threat to shoot. tion of the election of the recorder, Simmons knocked Bryan down and drew his and fired upon, Bryan, twice board of aldermen in the manner that the ball entering Bryan's breast and will best conserve the interest of our the other grazing his head, Both ran out of the store and Simmons gave declared by this leaugue that it is not must get good men to make the fight himself up. Bryan was found about organized for the purpose of electing or defeating any individual for the two blocks from the scene of the shooting and sent to the hospital, office of recorder.' where, it is stated, he cannot live. DEMOCRATIC CLAUSE DISCUSSED.

bryan is unmarried. Simmons has a wife and 8 children.

ENEMIES ENGENDER PLOT.

Day to be Effective at Once,

Shots Fired in Yard of Georgian with Mr. W. W. Haywood did not think Apparent Purpose of Enticing Him that the club should be designated as Out of House.

Democratic, Mr. McRae had read the mection of the rules that will govern Augusta, Ga., March 15 .--- Several shots were fired into the bedroom of the city Democratic primary, in which the executive committee explains who J. D. Watson, son of Thomas Watson, shall or shall not vote. the former presidential candidate on

Some confusion arose after the the Populist ticket, at their home at reading of the section from the rules. Thomson, Ga., early to-day, and while it was later claimed that the investisome seemed to think that that was gation indicated a plot against Thos. a part of the resolutions of the club. Dr. Joseph Graham, one of the most E. Watson or his family, no definite clue was obtained.

cornest citizens in the audieuce, wanted to cut out the Democratic clause. Several shots were fired last night Messrs, D. B. Smith, J. E. Little, T. C. in the back yard of Oscar Lee, "the former presidential candidate's son-in-Guthrie, T. L. Kirkpatrick and Mr. law, but none of the shots were di-F. B. McDowell spoke for it. After it rected at the house. At 2 o'clock this was made plain that the league had nothing to do with who should vote morning two loads of shot were fired in the primaries and that matter was through the younger Watson's room, but did not go near the bed. Watson

tion of the resolutions.

immediately summoned Sheriff Hawes debate closed. and the premises were searched, but One fact was brought out in the without results. The affair caused .eague realize that the one place to

fight for what they want is in the Democratic primaries. 3paaker after Contractors and Builders Refused to speaker tried to make this plain. Concede to Demand for 8-Hour

ALDERMEN AND COMMISSIONERS - NAMED.

Savannah, Ga., March 15 .- Three When this matter had been settled hundred and fifty members of the lo-Secretury Robertson called the rol' of cal carpenters union went on strike wards and the following named gento-day because the contractors and lomen were suggested for aldermon builders would not consent to make and school commissioners Ward 1. an 8-hour day effective immediately. James W. Wadsworth, Willis I. Hen-It has been understood that the 8derson, T. . Davis and J. B. Mc-Laughlin, for aldermen, and W. H. Bolle, W. A. Neal and W. M. Wallace. hour day would be operative on and after May 1st next, but the carpenters decided that this agreement gave school commissioners; Ward 2, F B. too remote promise for a shorter pe-McLowell, L. L. Hackney and W. L. Bruns, ald rmen, and T. T. Smith and Conferences were held to-night but Istrd, school commissioners; I G no understanding was reached. Ward 8, Z. T. Smith, W. D. Robert-

Both sides seem determined to adhere to their positions. Work on sevmen, and E. F. Cresswoli and J. eral important building projects came Hirschinger, school commi Ward 4, P. M. Cave, G. G. Scott and Ernest 8. Williams, aldermen, and John R. Pharr and D. B. Smith.

Quarantine Soon to be Raised. Washington, March 15 .- Archie ol commissioners; Ward 5, and Roosevelt's condition is still improv-Ward 6, no reports; Ward 7, Maxwell, alderman, and McD. ing and Surgeon General Rixey to kin, school commissioners; Ward 8, hight announced that the quarantine T. L. Kirkpatrick and Jo Garibaldi restrictions imposed on account of it as well as ever and that he could restrictions imposed on account of T. L. Kirkpatrick and Jo Garibaldi, is hands on him most any time wanted to. Several other wit-is few days. Archie sat up in bed to-seven also testified to Mr. Harrison wing told them the same thing. Mr. A. B. Parker, next testified that is device a structure of the second of t

Mr. L. L. Hackney was called on. men, of discretion and pudgment, to offer themselves as candidates for the He said that it did not suit him to run, but his friends had insisted or municipal offices with a view to giv ing our municipality a progressive and his accepting the nomination at the hands of the league.

business like administration. That the question of the elec-Mr. T. J. Davis spoke. He said tion of recorder by poular vote of the that he was very much interested in

people was recently agitated, and it the welfare of the city. He was will-was the concensus of opinion that this ing to do his part. If elected he officer should be elected by the board would rise above cliques and clans and of aldermen of the city of Charlotte individuals. He thought that proand not by a popular vote. If the regressive business men should be selectcorder should not be elected by a vote ed for the board of aldermen. of the people and the recordership Col. A. L. Smith made a few rebe thus directly brought in issue, then marks and presented Mr. T. C. Guthrie, who made a clear-cut, ringing recordership should not be indirectly Democratic speech. in issue in the municipal election, but

DEMOCRATIO PARTY THE ME-DIUM.

Mr. Guthrie said that he did not they arise should be placed upon the have any patience with a business man beard of aldermen and that the gueswho sits down and complains about as well as other questions, should be the election of certain men, when he dealt with at the proper time by the has taken no part m their selection. Every man should take part in the primaries and the elections. Business city. . It is distinctly understood and men must vote in the primaries. "We here," declared Mr. Guthrie, "As I understand it there is no liquor cry in this campaign. This meeting rep-

resents no faction. We are looking to the betterment of the city. There is Mr. J. E. Little declared that he one political party in this State. We photographer did not come to his ofwas in full sympathy with what Mr. must get what we want through the MoRae had said and urged the adop-Democratic party.'

Mr. Guthrie was heard with a great deal of interest.

Mr. E. L. Sargent made a very at-He caught the tractive speech. crowd. He said that Charlotte should be business-like. He declared that a debt of \$1,000,000 was not great if a

city had something to show for it. NULLIFIES PRIMARY, SAYS MR. COLE.

Mr. Cole, of Ward 6, was the only dissenting citizen present. He represented one of the two wards that did not make a report. It was evident from his speech, a warm one of about five minutes' length, that Ward 6 did not send in a list of names because there is an element in that section of the city unfavorable to adopting measures except in a primary. left to the executive committee, the do not believe that you have a right

to say to any section of the city." said Mr. Cole, 'nominate your candiscussion and that was that the mem-bers of the Pusiness Men's Municipal that this nullifies the primary. I tell you that you have started up a movement that will stir up one of the bitterest factional fights ever known in the city of Charlotte. It is not representing any ward for a certain number of citizens to get together and name the men of their choice when the entire citizenship may not be represented. It does not leave an open

field. I ask you not to come in our ward and ask us to have anything to do with this movement." NO INTENTION TO BE DICTATO-

RIAL.

Mr. McRae here interrupted Mr. Cole and stated that the latter had misunderstood entirely the objects of the Business Men's Municipal League. "We do not mean to be dicatorial," said Mr. McRae. "We believe that we son and Charles A. Widhams, alder- have done nothing but what we had a right to do and we believe that we noners; have done what a majority of the people of Charlotte appreciate. It is our

polley to leave it entirely with the people to name their candidates

Mr. J. Frank Flowers, also of Ward 6, stated that he would be very much surprised and grieved if Mr. Cole rep-W. C. resented the sentiment of their ward. Mr. Cole replied by stating that at meeting several nights ago, attended by 200 citizens, a resolution was passed with hurrahs unfavorable to the Business Men's Municipal League. Thus closed one of the most remark-

and Hummel answer. Mr. Delmas wanted to know

Hummel had recent business transactions with the district attorney, and asked if Mr. Jerome was pressing the charges against him.

JEROMS PRESSING CHARGES. "He certainly is," said the witness with spirit. Hummel's testimony was to the of-

fect that Evelyn Nesbit told him that Thaw had beaten her when she refused to sign papers he had prepared charging Stanford White with her betraval; that he had dictated a statement to a stenographer in the presence of Miss Nesbit and Stanford Augusta Ga. March 15-Jacob White; that he gave the affidavit to two of his clerks to take to Miss Nesbit and that the next day the paper was returned to him with Evelyn Neshit's signature attached. He kept the affidavit until Miss Nesbit called one day and demanded it. He refused to give it to her and turned it over to Stanford White, advising aim to have a photographic copy made.

Hummel first said he had himself arranged for photographing the affidavit ference to the present railroad situaand that the photographer came to his office. A few moments later, however, he completely contradicted himself on this point, saying he did not make the arrangements; that the fice; and that he had not so testified. After Stanford White had the copy made he returned the original of the affidavit, the photographic negative a great service to the people and to the corporations themselves. The lesson will be valuable to the corporation managers in the future."

HUMMEL'S CLERK CALLED.

Abraham Snydecker, one of Hum-

mel's clerks, was called, and said he White's took the affidavit to Mr. rooms and handed it to the woman pointed out to him as Miss Nesbit.

At the conclusion of this testimony, District Attorney Jerome asked permission to introduce the carbon and photographic copies of the affidavit in evidence. It was near the closing hour and Mr. Delmas asked that adjournment be taken before arguing as to the admissibility of davit. He said that after reading the paper over he might not object to its being offered in evidence. "Coming as it does." he added, "in such questionable shape, we may deem it best

District Attorney Jerome completed his medical testimony during the Attorney Delmas morning session. for the defense declining to cross examine any of the exjerts. Dr. Flint, who testified yesterday, formally was excused and then five other allenists were called one after another. Each said he was familiar with the hypothetical questions framed by the de-

ing their opinions on these questions Humphrey this afternoon was found they all declared that Thaw on the night he shot and killed Stanford White knew the nature and quality of his act, and knew that the act was wrong. One question was put by Mr. Hartridge, of the defense, to Dr. Wil-liam Mabon, the last of the State's the verdict was received, Humphrey experts.

lly at one of the resorts of that State. Mr. Harriman in making the an-nouncement of his intention of taking the trip, said that he did not intend to stop at Washington either on his way

South or on his return. there is much chance, though. In the Regarding the Wall Street rumors that the control of Union Pacific had passed from his hands during the recent violent slump in the stock market Mr. Harrifirst place, he says the suggestion "too wise a one to ever be adopted by the Democratic party." You see man said that the report was quite inhe doesn't think much of the Democorrect. cratic party. His suggestion is too

CORTELYOU SAVED THE DAY.

continued the former Senator, "Presi-Jacob Schiff Says He Has Hopes that dent Roosevelt is the greatest man Much Good Will Result From Preswho has ever occupied the White ent Money Situation. House. He was honest and sincere when he issued the statement on elec-

Schiff, of New York, who is stopping tion night in 1904 that he would never accept a renomination for the presilear Aiken, S. C., declared to-day that he could see no reason why the dency, and I fear that he will be too honest to disregard this piedge to Wall Street panic should spread to the general business conditions of the the people." Think of that! Here is a man who is actually too country. "The prompt and clear action of Secretary Cortelyou saved the But Mr. McLaurin continued, nation should, however, disregard his day," he explained. "I have strong wishes and give him a unanimous rehopes that much good will result from the present situation." In renomination and re-election. work which he has begun of regulating the railroads and corporations tion he said: "The railroads and the people will be brought nearer toand the building of the Panama canal cannot be completed during the presgether. The welfare of one is indissolubly connected with the success of the other. President Roosevelt did not bring about the muddle; he simply recognized earlier than most others whither we were drifting. By the wise course he has taken he has rendered

ent administration and there is not another man in the country who can carry the work on as the President has and is now doing." And that is not all. The ex-Senator closed with this remark: "It seems

to me that God Almighty created the man for the great work which he is doing for the country."

No wonder as Mr. McLaurin passed through Washington on his way from New York to Bennettsville, he stopped WERE NOT ADVERTISEMENTS over to go up to the White House and shake the Great Man's hand.

POSTOFFICE PROMOTIONS.

Under the terms of the re-classification bill, passed at the last session of Congress, twelve clerks and thir teen carriers in the Charlotte postoffice will be promoted on July 1. In each case the salary increase will be from \$50 to \$200 a year. Similar promotions in other postoffices in the State will be made on the same date as follows: Asheville 12 clerks, ten carriers; Greensboro, 12 clerks, ten

carriers; Raleigh 12 clerks and 11 carriers; Wilmington 15 clerks, 13 carriers; Winston-Salem 12 clerks, 13 carriers; Durham, eight clerks, seven carriers; Fayetteville five clerks, carriers; Elizabeth City three clerks, five carriers; Salisbury six clerks, four carriers; High Point five clerks and four carriers; Newbern five clerks, carriers; Kinston, three clerks, three carriers; Goldsboro five clerks, three carriers; Statesville three clerks, three

carriers; Washington, three clerks, three carriers; Wilson four four carriers.

Wm. J. Oliver Made President of U.S. Trust Company.

Washington, Marcn 15 .--- William Oliver, of Knoxville, Tenn., whose not guilty of the murder of J. B. Daniel. The trial had consumed four for the construction of the Panama days and wide interest had been mancanal, recently was rejected, wast last ifested. When the announcement of night elected vice president United States Trust Company, of this shook hands with the members of the jury and with Judge Rawlings, al-so receiving the congratulations of N. Morgan, former United Sta many of those who had thronged the Treasurer, is provident.

> Guilty of Birmingham, Ala., Mary Richard Wray, charged with Richard Wray, charged with Guilty of Second Degree More ing of George Freeman t was to-day found guilty ter in the second ed to 16 years imprised to 16 years imprised to 16 years imprised and the second term and te

# to have the paper go in evidence." after drawings had taken place.

MR. JEROME OVERRULED. "Do doctors often disagree as to the

city. Dr. Joe Graham, one of the leading citizens of the county, attend-ed the meeting from start to finish and was very much interested in every-thing that transpired. He was very enthusiastid. It is believed that the Municipal League has picked a winning team.

and the prints made from the negative, to Hummel, who swore to-day that he had subsequently delivered the original affidavit to Miss NesDit and he had not seen it since.

She kept the affidavit for five minutes and signed it, saying she had read it through.

fense and by the prosecution.

court room. form of a man's insanity," he asked.

able meetings in the history of the city. Dr. Joe Graham, one of the

Savannah Tobacconist Released on Charge of Attempt to Aid in Lottery Scheme. Savannah, Ga., March 15 .--- United States Commissioner W. R. Hewlett

to-day rendered a decision in the case of A. W. Masterson, a Savannah tobacconist, who was indicted in Mobile, Ala., upon a charge of conspiracy with others to advertise & lottery scheme, it being alleged that Masterson had been the Savannah represen-

tative of the Honduras Loteery. The hearing was held several days ago, Commissioner Hewlett taking the matter under consideration. His decision discharging Masterson and releasing him from the \$500 bond under which he was held, was based upon the view that the lottery lists presented in evidence as advertising matter were not advertisements becaus of the fact that they had been issued

VERDICT OF NOT GUIL/IY.

Millen, Ga., March 15 .--- R.

at Millen, Ga.

Tumphrey Acquitted of Murder of

Mrs. Daniel After Four Days' Trial

Humphrey shot Daniel some weeks

ago when the two, driving in their buggies, met on the public road. Humphrey declared on the stand that