OFFICIALS ARE CHEERFUL

STRIKE SITUATION IMPROVING of Both Western Un on the Other Hand, Express faction With Progress of the e-Wall Street Operators to and Minimum Weekly Wage of \$30-Mediatory Offer Not pted With Particular Enthusiby Either Side—Associated Operators Sticking to Work, ite Order to Strike—New Yorks Declared to be in Good e-Union Official Says 26 Cities & To-Day. on the Other Hand, Ex

ck To-Day. New York, Aug. 13 .- From the view point of the employers of telegraph operators the strike situation to-night was declared to be improving hourly and the officials of both the Western Union and the Postal Companies announced themselves to be more than satisfied with the progress that had been made during the day and the early hours of the night toward the restoration of wire communications throughout the country.

that some surprise was occasioned by the action of their operators in additional cities going out to-day but declared that none of the days strikes left them with an entirely crippled force. These statements on behalf of the companies were declared to be based on reports from all over the country.

The officials of the telegraphers' union on the other hand expressed confidence and satisfaction with the progress of the strike.

In New York at a meeting of the Wall Street chapel of the Commercial Telegraphers' Union late this afternoon it was decided to present a demand to-morrow for a contract for a minimum weekly wage scale of \$30. The Wall Street chapel had about 500 members, all men who operate brokers' leased wires in this and nearby cities. The proposed contract is to run for one year but no time limit was set for its signature.

New York, offered his good offices to telegraph companies. General Superintendent Brooks, of the Western Union, declared his company had nothing to arbitrate and Mr. Nally, of the Postal, made practically the same re- the understanding that he had until ply. Joseph F. Ahearn, president of the local union, said that he had told The strikers yesterday issued a Mr. Reagan that the operators were statement to the effect that they are the local union, said that he had told

the Western Union, said to-night after receiving late reports from all divisions: "The Western Union is practically

on a nonmail basis to-niight. "The New York office answers to might not a single call from one of of disorder. Those who walked out these offices has gone unanswered, and without delay at that. We have now on duty more operators than we actually need and so far as my reports from all over the country go the same is true of all other

E. J. Naily, vice president and gen eral manager of the Postal Company,

"We handled in the New York office to-day up to 5 p. m. 33,951 messages, exclusive of press matter, and when it is remembered that the normal traffic of our office is approximately 45,000 messages per day you can judge for yourself the situation as it effects us."

Percy Thomas, deputy natio president of the Telegraphers' Union, "Twenty-six cities in the

States land Canada struck to-day The situation to-night is satisfactory in every way to national officers." The Associated Press wires were working to-night as usual. The

tire force of day operators in the New York office reported this mornlate in the afternoon, when a specal late in the faternoon, when a specia order directing them to go out by the president of the local Three men obeyed the call.

Roanoke, Va., Aug. 13 .- All Westearn Union operators walked out today leaving only the manager in the office. It is said Norfolk Western Union operators are refusing to work with Western Union men who refuse

Bristol, Tenn., Aug. 13 .- All West-

Richmond, Va., Aug. 13.—The Western Union operators here struck to-day at noon. The superintendent of the Western Union stated that 33 men went out and 34 remained. ays he expects to be able to handle the business.

Lynchburg, Va., Aug. 13,-Three union operators in the Lynchburg graph Company left their keys at noon lo-day. This leaves 10 operators and repeater men in the office at work.

Raleigh, Aug. 13.—The four opera tors in the Western Union office quit work to-night and joined the strike shortly after 7 o'clock. Only four men are concerned, two union and two non-union, the union men having won over the others. The manager remains at work. There is no strike yet in the Postal where there are no nion men.

DURHAM TIED UP.

The Greatest Trouble is At the Relay Points—The Local perators Still On But Will Not Take a Message From a "Scab."

Special to The Observer.

has to be relaid in Richmond, and the strike in that relay office tied up matters, nor could Raleigh and the few local points about the county and in this immediate section of the State. The operators were sitting about the office with practically nothing to do, only now and then a short-point message being received.

In the Postal office it was different up to this afternoon. The Postal

up to this afternoon. The Postal force had not gone out in Richmond and now and then a message could be sent through to points outside the State, a few getting through to New York. But the operators are expecting a tie-up in that office at any moment. Then Durham will be shut by completely, with the exception of the long distance telephone. Unless the matter is settled there is no doubt but that the tie-up will come during to-night or to-morrow.

The union operators here refuse to take messages from a "scab" in an office where the strike is on if they know it. Some of the operators here refused to take messages from their superiors in offices where the strike has been ordered.

Winston in the Throes of the Strike. Special to The Observer.

Winston-Salem, Aug 13.—This city is feeling the effects of the telegraphstrike considerably. Business in These officials were frank to admit Western Union people to-night have not a single wire working in their office. The Postal are working with only three points, Greensborp, Charlotte and Raleigh,

THE STRIKE SITUATION.

Western Union Working Nine Men On the Wires and Expects Two More To-Day—Two Operators at Postal Office—Extra Business for Telephone Companies.

egraphers' strike situation. The Western Union's forces have been suit; that the court grant counsel swollen from six to nine. One new man the next friends an allowance from has been secured from Richmond, Mrs. Eddy's estate the proper prepaone of the chiefs who was absent has ration and presentation of the case; returned, one of the men who was of plaintiffs' motion for a jury trial; supposed to have struck turned up for the denial of access of counsel for duty yesterday. These constitute quite the plaintiffs to witness on their side a commidable force and are getting under the control of opposing counalong as well as could be expected, sel and the presumption of the taking The main trouble which they experi- of depositions in New Hampshire. ence is with the smaller points, Mescompany as far as possible, and mali- ceeding and that, there being no adod the remainder of the distance.

has, of course, meant work and money M. J. Reagan, State mediator of the force has been kept hard at work of Mrs. Eddy was established by the Department of Labor of the State of handling the volumes of business trust deed which she executed on which has poured in. Newspapers as March 6th, by which she transferred well as cotton firms and other enter- all her property beyond her control. bring about a settlement, Mr. Reagan prises have resorted to the telephone Her incompetency, he added, is furcalled on the officials of both the big in cases where telegraph lines are ther shown by her evasion of taxes courteous treatment accorded the blocked.

Across South Tryon street from the who did not work Monday night, on next day to think the matter over, returned to work yesterday.

perfectly willing to submit their case well satisfied with the present status masters were to have to examine at Wilmington and propose to show to "sincere arbitration." well satisfied with the present status masters were to have to examine at Wilmington and propose to show to "sincere arbitration." of taffairs and confident of victory; that General Superintendent Brooks, of they did not seek the strike, but it was forced upon them by the logic of circumstances. They say they expect and undergo an examination, but she to conduct the fight as gentlemen. The Western Union expects two or

more men to-day. The strikers have disappeared from 1,500 offices direct and to-day and to- the etrects and there is no intimation are behaving nicely.

NEWS OF SALISBURY.

Labor Day Will Be Celebrated-Many Off to Jamestown—New E. In and Given a Banquet,

Special to The Observer. Salisbury, Aug. 13 .- North Carolina campment of the uniformed rank at Day at Jamestown is tisking from Salsbury many people, and to-night a Major General W. H. Slotzer, of large party left, preceded last night Cleveland, O., as commander-in-chief by another considerable These will spend the week there, returning here Saturday night. Big preparations are being made by

the Labor Day committees and the managers are looking around for some speaker as large as the day. Baseball by two good teams will be one phase of amusement. The annual dournament, the fireworks, the coronation ball and the parade with the ornamented fichits and premiums upon pretty babies will keep up allafter money now and promise the greatest day the people have had in this their fourth celebration.

Misses May and Jane Boyden, Brawley and Attorney Hayden Clem-ent have returned from the mountains, where they breathed the breezes of time Lond's country,-Mrs. Theodore Kluttz, Miss Kathleen Kluttz here for court. and Miss Tiny Babe Crawford are in Statesville visiting relatives.-Mr. and dinary interest. McAnulty has borne Mrs. T. E. Johston joined the James- such a good reputation that his artown throng to-night and will spend rest caused great surprise. the week there.—Dr. DeLaney Charl-ton left to-night for Warsaw, his Duplin home, to spend several days crime ever was made about him. He with his people.—Senator Whitehead ern Union operators here walked out Kluttz will do Jamestown to-morrow, returning to Salisbury Sunday.

The Elks followed futtialtions, right with a burbecue, conducting into their mysteries W. G. Griste, genial pharmacist of Kluttz & Co. There were visiting Elks from several

ORPHANS AT MOUNT AIRY.

Their Singing Much Enjoyed and Good-Sized Sum of Money Raised —Demented Young Man to be Taken to the Morganton Hospital.

pecial to The Observer.

Mount Airy, Aug. 13 .- The chapter of orphans from the asylum at Oxford gave one of their fine enterpeople certainly enjoyed the pro-gramme from the beginning to its end. A handsome sum was obtained for the orphanage.

The picnic was also a success and enjoyed to the fullest. The Masons here are ever alive to the best interests of the orphans and are glad to have them as their guests. Cleve Armfield, the soldier

who was brought back from the encampment Sunday night in a de-mented condition, mention of which was made in these columns, grows Durham, Aug. 13.—Durham is vir-tually tied up from the outside world, Morganton as soon as arrangements that is so far as the telegraph com-can be made. Is case is a very and panies are concerned. The strike has one. His father killed himself a few spread until this afternoon every out-let of the Western Union Company what brought about the trouble with what brought about the trouble with was shut off and only messages for lo-cal points in this State to which this man and stands high in this county. office works direct could be reached. His family is one of the best in below Newburgh. Other river steam-Greensboro could not be reached ov-this part of the State. He has the er the Western Union, as this work sympathy of hosts of friends.

Broke

CHARLOTTE, N. C., WEDNESDAY MORNING, AUGUST 14, 1907.

pecial to The Observer

Asheville, Aug. 13.-The railway

ate fight between the railroad cor-

to take the evidence, left to-day for New York. Judge Shepherd, who

went out here yesterday.

well.

needed rest.

Calvert and three operators are do-

FIREMEN'S THANKS.

BELFAST STRIKERS QUIETER.

arbitrate the differences between the

The experiment of keeping both

tions to shouting. At half past 11

o'clock to-night the streets of Belfast

are practically deserted. Troops and

police are withdrawn to their bar-

Apparently doubting the sincerity

of the authorities several large crowds

spent some time to-day in digging up

and stacking paving stones to be in

readiness for the soldiers should they

reappear. To-night Joseph Devlin, na-

tionalist member of the House of Commons for Belfast, and a number

of priests and magistrates patrolled

the disturbed area urging the people

to keep the peace and avoid collisions

with the orangemen. At the same time

the troops were held in readiness in

their barracks should their services

This afternoon a body of the city

streets which had been torn up yester-

day to secure ammunition in the form

work for five minutes before a mob of

young men and girls began to stone

them and they had to run for their

GETS LIFE TERM

Commuted by Governor Folk.

Jefferson City, Mo., Aug. 13.-Gov.

McCann June 18th, 1903. McCann's

NEVER SAID IT, SAYS JOHN D.

elreulated interview, criticising the

World, died to-day of injuries received by being struck by a troiley callest night. Air. One had written many homorous posms and a beauty

de opens, "The King and

present administration, purporting to

have been given out by him and

paving stones with which to pelt

repair the

not been at

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be required.

lives.

workmen attempted to

the soldiers. They had

McCann is still alive.

Rockefeller, referring to

-Arbitration Probable.

laborers and their employers.

"NEXT FRIENDS" VS. MRS. EDDY RATE FIGHT GOES TO NEW YORK BECKWITH EXCEPTS TO DECREE

Counsel for Next Friends, in manding an Accounting of Mrs.
Eddy's Finances, Says Hend of
Christian Science Church is Victim of Systematic Delusions, Resulting in "Scuile Dementia"—Declares Her Incompetent to Manage
Her Own Affairs—Three Masters
Appointed Are to Examine Her in
Her Plensant View Home. Her Pleasant View Home.

Concord, N. H., Aug. 13 .- Three nasters appointed by Judge Chamberlin, of the Superior Court, to determine the competency of Mrs. Mary Baker G. Eddy, head of the Christian Science Church, in connection with a suit brought by "next friends" for an accounting of Mrs. Eddy's finances, began their hearings to-day. The manters are Judge Ed-gar Aldrich, of the United States District Court; Hosea W. Parker, of Claremont, and Dr. George F. Jelly, of Boston, an allenist. The commission is to determine whether or not Mrs. Eddy on March 1st of year was mentally this tent to execute a deed transferring her property to trus-tees. Counsel for the "next friends" contend that the trust deed is illegal because of the alleged incompetency

of the maker. For the next friends William Chandler outlined the suit and defended its good faith. Counsel for the next friends, he said, had been handicapped in the preparation of their case by the refusal of the court to allow many motions of importance. He cited among the adverse decisions of the court the denial of the motion of the defendants that counsel There is stitle change in the local for the next friends be required to the furnish bonds for the costs of for

Judge Aldrich said that the massages are being sent by wire by the ters regard this as a friendly proverse parties, the statutory right to The crippling of the telegraph lines take depositions did not exist. At the afternoon session Mr.

for the telephone company, and the Chandler said that the incompetency in the City of Concord.

He stated in closing that Mrs. Eddy Western Union two men are at work was the victim not of a solitary de-in the Postal office. One of the men lusion, not of a notion, even insane notion, but a series of systematic delusions which influenced her whole life and which have resulted, or will result, in senile dementia.

Just before adjournment, Judge The Asheville boys are loud in their Aldrich asked what opportunity the praise of the treatment accorded them her counsel, replied that she had not sufficient strength to come into court would be glad to receive the masters at Pleasant View and confer with them there. A date for the visit will be arranged later.

DOINGS OF THE MACCABEES.

Maj. Gen. Slotzer, of Cleveland, Re-Elected —Lexington, Ky., Selected as Next Meeting Place.

Norfolk, Va., Aug. 13 .- The convention of commissioned officers of mestown—New Elk Taken the uniformel rang Knights of the World in be-ennial session jointly with the bi-ennial enthe Jamestown Exposition re-elected coterie, and selected Lexington, Ky., as the next place of meeting. Additional companies arrived to-day and joined the camp at the exposition. The competitive drills for the \$800 silver trophy cup began on the Lee Parade grounds at the exposition to-day. The judges will not announce the winner of the contest until to-morrow,

McAnulty Released on Bail.

Special to The Observer. Salisbury, Aug. 13.—Through his bondsmen, F. F. Starnes, his fatherday interest. The committees are in-law and W. G. Newell, father of the senior counsel for the defense, J. F. Newell, J. D. McAnulty was released last evening after the preliminary hearing which resulted in his being bound over in the sum of \$500. Me-Anulty proceeded to his work and will not be tried until the week of August 26th. Judge Justice comes

The case assumed more than orof good family and is a skilled workman and inventor. No suggestion of was not put on the stand and what he will say for himself will come out at the next term of court.

To-Day Grand Encampment of Odd Fellows Convenes.

Special to The Observer. Winston-Salem, Aug. 13.—The six-tleth annual session of the Grand Encampment of the Independent Order of Odd Fellows of North Carolina will convene here to-morrow night in the hall of Salem Encampment No. 20. The encampment will be in session until Thursday night or Friday morning. It is expected that there will be about 75 delegates in attendance. Thursday morning the visitors will be shown over the R. J. Reynold's To-bacco Factory and in the afternoon Oxford gave one of their fine enter-tainments at the opera house last C. F. Frick, of Charlotte, is Grand night and were royally received. The Patriarch and Mr. J. T. King, of Charlotte, is Grand Scribe.

Special to The Observer.

Dunham, Aug. 13.- Lhite to between 10 and 11 o'clock, there a runaway marriage solumnized at have been given ou the home of Elder T. Y. Monk, the printed to-day, said; contracting parties being Mr. A. L. Paschall and Mrs. Peterl Hicks, Elr Monk officiated. Both were lawful ages, but there were obj and when the couple selt on a stree car the objecting parties gave chase, but the yows had been said when the pursuers merived.

Poughkeepsie, N. Y., Aug. 18.— The steamer Adirondack caught fire to-night and the vessel was run ashore below Newburgh. Other river steam-

MASTERS BEGIN HEARINGS HEARING IN WALL STREET RESTRAINING ORDER HOLDS

In the Hearing at Asheville Judge
Pritchard Enjoins All Persons
From Bringing Penalty Suits
Against the Southern for Failing
to Put On the New Rate Law—An
Appeal Taken by B. C. Beckwith to
the United States Supreme Court.
All Other Defendants Acquiescing
in the Decree—Article Published
Merely a Political Pawn, Declares
Bockwith.
Special to The Observer. Begins Taking Testimony To-Morrow—Judge Shepherd Thinks the Evidence Will All Be in By September 25th—The Telegraph Strike Not Felt Much at Asheville—District Attorney Holton in Poor Health—Firemen to Show Their Thanks For Treatment at Wilmington in An Official Way, Resolutions Being Drafted.

Special to The Observer. Asheville, Aug. 13 .- Judge Pritchard this afternoon signed a decree porations and the State of North Car-olina whereby the railroads seek to continuing until the final the order recently issued in the raildeclare the new rate of 2 1-4 cents unconstitutional has been shifted to Wall Street, New York; where, it is way rate matter restraining J. A. Spence, Elijah Moffett and certain other clients and B. C. Beckwith from bringing penalty suits against understood, Judge Montgomery, the standing master appointed to take the Southern Railway Company.

At the hearing the defendants, which these four figures bear.

testimony, will commence work Thursday, Miss Amy Emanuel and Frank D. Beckwith, of Asheville, who other than Mr. Beckwith, consented that the restraining order be conhave been named by Judge Mont-gomery as the official stenographers tinued. Mr. Beckwith, who in response to an inquiry in The Raleigh Evening Times, published a card stating he would not hesitate to adwas here yesterday with sol. Rodman vise a client to bring suit against the railway, filed an answer denying to arrange some technical details relating to the filing of pleas, said the jurisdiction of the court. that he could not see how all the He stated that his article of July evidence could be placed before the

master by September 25th, the date fixed by the court. 4th was simply a piece or pawn in the game of politics of Wake county; The strike of the Western Union that John Drewry, owner Evening Times, represented one fac-Telegraph company's operators is having little effect here. Except bustion of the Democratic party of Wake and that he and John W. iness for points beyond relay stations. Wake and that he and John W. the local office is handling its business Thompson represented the other practically as usual. One regular faction; that The Evening Times had published a banter or challenge and operator and two substitute operators Manager in order to make a move in the game of politics he had published ing the work and so far as this point the article, which was the basis of is concerned the strike is having no the restraining order; that after this effect. Press matter from the news article appeared he had filed with gathering agencies was handled with him a number of coupons given by slight delay this morning and with the railroad in accordance with the the railroad in accordance with the no delay this afternoon. Manager order of the court, and that he had intended to bring a suit, not against Calvert is endeavoring to take care of all business here and is succeeding the Southern Railway, but against the North Carolina Railroad Com-District Attorney Holton, who was pany. He said that he never intended confined to his room and bed at the to sue the Southern, but expected to Battery Park Hotel yesterday, was so sue the North Carolina Railway unfar recovered to-day as to be able to less restrained. On this showing proceed with the trial of P. H. Thrash in United States District Court. The district attorney, howcourt enjoined Mr. Beckwith and all other persons from suing the North Carolina Railroad for penalties growever, is far from a well man and it is feared that he will yet be compelled ing out of the failure to put the rate into effect on that line.

to abandon the case and take a long-Mr. Beckwith appeared in person and represented himself and excepted to the order of the court continuing At a called meeting of the racing the restraining order. He will apteams of the Asheville fire department. peal to the United States Supreme a committee was appointed to draft Court.

appropriate resolutions of thanks to Judge Pritchard held that, having the people of Wilmington for the taken jurisdiction of the controversy and subject matter of the suit, it was firemen during the recent firemen's the duty of the court to prevent tournament, and also the people of harassing litigation in any other court pending the final settlement Asheville for their generous response to the call for funds to aid in sendand that this court had jurisdiction ing the firemen to the tournament. All members of the companies were arising out of the controversy. During the hearing there was something present and Fire Chief Bernard was said about the court's delay and limitations regarding the final adappointed to draft the resolutions. judication of the rate matter. Judge Pritchard said that the matter would be determined in his court by January and that in all probability Supreme Court would review the matter in six months.

Day Passes Off Without Serious Con-DISPENSARY ELECTION FAILS.

flict Between Strikers and Soldiers Chesterfield County, By a Big Majori-Belfast, Aug. 13.-The strike situty, Goes Dry-Election Will Contested-No County Court For ation is held to be improved to-day insomuch as steps are under way to

Richland County. Observer Bureau 1209 Main Street,

Columbia, S. C., Aug. 13. Returns from seventeen out the police and troops outside of the twenty boxes in the special election disturbed area of the city has been for a dispensary in Chesterfield county attended with a great measure of sucto-day give 480 votes against the incess and the day passed without seristitution and 188 for it. Only three ous conflict between the strikers and small precincts remain to be heard the representatives of authority, the The religious element was soldiers and the constables. There has strenuous to-day and very active. been much effervescence among the Church bells were tolled from 11 to 12 strikers, but no actual outbreak of o'clock as a death knell to the dis-Violence. Large and excited crowds pensary. collected and assumed threatening attitudes but confined their demonstra-

Dispensary Leader Pollock says that the election will be contested, alleging that it was illegal in almost every particular. Boxes were not labeled, he says; qualified electors were not allowed to vote; unqualified ones were allowed to vote and many who were not registered cast their bal-

In the special election in Richland county for the establishment of county court the proposition was deoverwhelmingly. The same feated proposition was defeated two years and the election to-day was held under a special act passed by the last Legislature.

WOMAN ATTEMPTS SUICIDE.

On Account of a Love Affair Lens Helms Drinks Laudanum to KIII Herself But Her Life is Saved. Special to The Observer.

Spartanburg, S. C., Aug. 13,-Lena Helms, a young white woman, claiming Charlotte as her home, attempted to end her life this morning by swallowing laudanum in her room over the Magnolia Cafe on Magnolia street, near the Southern passenger station. Inmates of the house stated that the girl was despondent over a love affair.

This morning the unhappy girl pur-"Lord" Barrington's Death Sentence chased a bottle of laudanum from a nearby drug store and returned to the cafe. As she walked through the ernor Folk announced to-day that dining room on her way to her room the sentence of "Lord" Frederick Seymour Barrington is commuted to life imprisonment. Barrington was would ever walk through the cafe as she expected to travel in a strange country. Upon entering her room she sentenced to be executed at Clayton placed the bottle containing the poison and drank it and then tumbled August 26th, for the murder of James over on the bed, exclaiming, "Now, mutilated body was found in a stone A physician was summonquarry pond and Barrington was con-victed solely on circumstantial evied and the poison was pumped from her atomach. She is reported to be dence. He has always declared that out of danger. Lena Helms was arrested by the

Rockefeller Denies Interview Critidays. cising Administration Attributed to Mr. and Mrs. Preston Sojourning at Lexington, Va. Special to The Observer

Smilshury, Aug. 13.-Mr. E. Ran dolph Preston, whose romantic mar-riage to Miss Julia Jackson Christian last week in Salisbury found big space "There is certainly some mistake about the matter. I neither gave out nor authorized the statements attributed to me."

New York Newspaper Man; a Brother of "Bill" Nye, Dead.

New York, Aug. 11.—Fred Nye, a brother of the late "Bill" Nye, and an assistant editor of The Sunday World, died to day of injuries received.

Gas Tank Explodes. Chicago, Aug. 13.—Ten men were injured, one of them fatally, by the explosion of a gas tank to-day at 71st street and Chicago avenue. All of the men were laborers.

NO LATIN INSCRIPTIONS.

Just Plain English Words to Adorn the Shields of the Statues on the New Agricultural Building at Wish-

Observer Bureau, 1417 G Street N. W., Washington, Aug. 13.

The Hon. James Wilson, Secretary of Agriculture, is one of the real "Sons of Toll." He isn't any Cincinnatus, though. He is one of the real Cincinnatus was a Roman. Secretary Wilson is an American. He is just "Farmer Jim."

A \$3,000,000 office building for the Department of Agriculture is going up just across the way on the edge of the Mail and on it they are putting some large stone statues of male and female figures. "Fructus," "Cercedes," "Forestes" and "Flores" were

"What in the name of sense is Fructus?" asked the Secretary of his assistant as he passed by there a cles. few days ago and surveyed the work. "That means fruit," explained Dr. Galloway, the chief of the Bureau of Plant Industry, who had selected the inscriptions.

"And what does 'Cereales' mean?" asked the Secretary, frowning. "That means cereals," explained the scholarly Dr. Galloway. " 'Forests' means forests and Flores' means flowers," Dr. Galloway further ex- Root. The conference lasted two plained.

The Secretary ran his fingers through his grey whiskers and looked at the learned doctor standing near him. .

"Then why in the dickens don't you say so?" he exclaimed in tones of disgust. "Cut it out, Doctor," he "Cut out all that Latin bosh ordered. and give us good piain United States."

And so it will be done, The Latin
bosh will be cut out and on the figures adorning the Agricultural partment will be words which the farmers of the country when they come to Washington will be able to they understand even if they do not cause these farmer visitors to stand and gaze in amazement and reverence at things because they do not understand.

MASS AND BOSTON DAY.

Governor Guild and Many Other Massachusetts Citizens Present at Massachusetts Building at the Exposition.

Norfolk, Va., Aug. 13 .- Governor Curtis Guild, Jr., surrounded by members of the Massachusetts Jamestown commission, the Bay State naval militia and many distinguished citizens from Massachusetts, was the centre of attraction at the joint observance of Massachusetts and Boston at the Jamestown Exposition to-day.

The weather was ideal for celebration and thousands were in attendance. The formal exercises of the day took place in the auditorium veit, as well as one month's business early this afternoon. Arthur Lloyd, of Plymouth, a member of the Massachusetts Jamestown commission, presided and introduced Governor sider," he continued, the late General Fitzhugh Lee in the Spanish-American war. Governor Guild was given an ovation.

Other speakers were Governor me to return to Washington Swanson, of Virginia, and President | night." Tucker, of the exposition. General Fred D. Grant, U. S. A., was on the

A military review followed the exercises and the formal dedication of the Massachusetts building, a replica of Fancuil Hall, at Boston, place later in the afternoon, Governor Swanson being a guest of honor.

Governor Guild started for Boston with the Massachusetts naval militia on the gunboat Newport today.

NEWS FROM FRANKLIN.

Movement Started for Another Hotel -School Biulding Leased-Rev. L. P. Bagle May Transfer to the West. Special to The Observer.

Franklin, Aug. 13 .- The leading citizens of this place are getting a movement on foot to build a fine, large hotel to accommodate the increasing number of summer guests who come to this place. The recent death of John W. Mann has removed one of the ablest lawyers

in our section. The graded school directors haev eased the Methodist Academy preparatory to opening up the school in this month. Prof. J. J. Ammons has been elected superintendent. This town now has two banks and

both are doing a fine business. Silver Birch Lodge, the summer hotel of R. L. Porter, is crowded with visitors from various sections of the Rev. L. P. Bogle, pastor of the Ma-

con Circuit, who has served for three years on this charge, will very likely transfer to the West this fall. Rev. Frank Siler and wife, Statesville, are here visiting relatives.

Linotype Man Victim of Highway warning of the approaching da Robber. Special to The Observer.

Salisbury, Aug. 13,-John Edwards, The Evening Post, was coubed after the Blanding street station, temporbeing held up by a highwayman Sat- arily in charge of the operator, to urday night last, though the fact was liver orders to the crew of No. 64 to not discovered until to-day. Mr. Ed- wait at Blanding for No. 75, Severe wards was going frome late when man drew a gun on him and went in-to his pockets. The hand was worth while for the highway artist found J. G. Zanders. He left a short ti \$15 in money and a gold watch. He escaped after the crime and nothing has been heard from him. The printer was unarmed and stood show against a man evidently backed and loaded with such ammunition as police some time ago and had been makes people afraid. It is most re-grettable that the only printer on out of the station house only a few on record who ever got ahead of the "game" should have lost it so soon thereatherwards. There have been several amili robberies in Salisbury

recently, but printers have escaped.

plendid dinner was served. Editor Hunnicutt spoke on various topics of interest to the farmers and many

DID HE OR DID HE NOT

ROOT SAYS HE DID NOT CONFER But the Associated Press Says He
—Secretary of State Root Sul
Have Held a Conference

Have Held a Conference With Prominent New York Buskers in Regard to Existing Financial Conditions With a View of Reporting to President Rossevelt—At Oyster Bay the Secretary Denied That There Was Any Foundation for the Rumos

New York, Aug. 13 .- Secretary of State Ellhu Root, Assistant Secretary of State Bacon, and a number of prominent New York bankers held a conference in a New York banking house to-day. It is understood that Mr. Root obtained from the bankers their views on the railroad and monetary situation with the view of informing President Roosevelt of the existing conditions in financial cir-

Those who are said to have conferred with Secretaary Root were James Stillmon, president of the National City Bank of this city; three other bank presidents and two railroad presidents. Each of them was summoned by telephone to meet Mr. hours after which the conferees departed. None of those present would discuss the developments of the conference.

Oyster Bay, N. Y., Aug. 13.-Secretary of State Root came to Oyster Bay late this afternoon. He spent & greater part of the day in New York. On his arrival he denied absolutely the widely published report that he had been in conference with a number of New York bankers in the office of J. P. Morgan & Co.

"There is absolutely no foundation for the rumor," he said. "I had no conference with Morgan & Co. or with any other New York bankers, or with any one else."

The Secretary, wao was accompanled by Mrs. Root, went at once t Sagamore Hill where he will remain over night.

TAFT AT OYSTER BAY.

Said He Had a Total of Four Months' Business to Go Over With the President.

Oyster Bay, N. Y., Aug. 13 .- Secretary aft remarked as he arrived here to-day on the noon train that he had three months' future business to discuss with President Roose-

in arrears to go over. "I don't know what we will con-Guild as a member of the staff of tor of fact I don't see how we can get through with the accumulation of matters before it is necessary for

Declares He Discussed Nothing of Public Interest.

New York, Aug. 13 .- Returning from Oyster Bay, where he went this morning, Secretary Taft reached Jersey City at midnight and left a halfhour later over the Pennsylvania Railroad for Washington. At the station the Secretary said that there was nothing of public interest in the matters he discussed with the President at Sagamore Hill to-day. His visit had been merely to talk over with the President certain things which had come before him in his official empacity

FREIGHTS MEET HEAD-ON.

Operator Fails to Do His Duty and a Wreck Results-No One Seriously Hurt.

Observer Bureau Columbia, S. C., Aug. 13. A head-on collision occurred two miles north of Columbia this morn ing on the Charlotte and Columbia

line of the Southern Railway between northbound train No. 64 in charge of Conductor G. L. Bowles and Engineer G. M. Parish, composed of 36 cars, and southbound train charge of Conductor J. P. Davis and Engineer J. M. Hutchison. All hands on the engines saw the impending danger and jumped when the engines were only two or three car lengths apart. Both engines in the meantime having been reversed. Nobedy was seriously hurt. What saved both crews was the fact that the fireman on the southbound train had just shoveled in a large amount of coal and the smoke was seen by the other train, giving Both engines were telescoped and several cars were smashed, two cars of ice from Columbia being included. The cause of the wreck was the the Mnotype operator in the office of failure of J. B. Elkins, yardmaster at

a other orders were delivered but this J. G. Zanders. He left a short time before the day operator, F. E. Ardley, who was a little late, arrived to go on duty. Elkins is an experienced operator but did not see the order w Zanders did not properly turn or when he went off duty.

Immediately after management Super wreck Zanders telegraphed Super wreck Zanders telegraphed Super Con Immediately after he learned of the tendent Williams as follows: writing as per your instructions I assume all responsibility of the wrock this morning. Please accept my re nation to take effect at once. J.

A rule was recently put into ell that each operator should le written instructions to the man v comes in to take his place, this be ione to avoid ffust what h

here this moraing.

The southbound engine in the was No. 344 which was in a several years ago when Superdent Williams, then a cond jumped and dislocated a shoulde broke several ribs. He said the

which, if heeded, will result in great and the track will soon be put in

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