are at least too game to avoid danger n a manner so bourgeois.

THAT BOX OF ORANGES.

New Record Made in the Speed With Which Substance is Reduced From Former State of Quality to Another. w has melted under the heat of Snow has melted under the heat of a midday sun so swiftly as to be hardly noticeable, the wild weeds of the West have disappeared before a prairie fire with a suddenness that has not been measured, the Lusitania startled a knowing world in its match-ters rate across the sea. but a new record in rapidity has been establish-ed right here in The Observer office. Through the kindness of Mr. J. A. Al-lison a box of oranges was received on a box of oranges was received leaday night by the editorial, local miness and mechanical forces of the aper, and deposited for purposes of onomy in the big vault. Silently there began to creep from every nook and They found three gallons of whiskey crevice of the shop a laborer who had in her house. received the glad message of the gift. Editors, printers, "devils," et all, were made conscious of the fact that the donor had placed no restrictions around the disposition of the box, and that they were, accordingly, as wel-come as any other man in the build-

This spirit of liberality prevailed and to it is directly due the startling quickness with which the oranges were snatched from the box and reduced to spongy things that lay strewn all over the floor. Time was not taken to peel the luscious fruit: they were sucked. And it was but in the twinkling of an eye, as it were, that the box was robbed of its delicious contents and lay with a vacuum and corpse-like in the big vault.

CHARLOTTE BRANCH LEADS.

sham ad the troffs banks a variy date to used for Charlotte t meeting of the North Carolina Teac ers' Amambly, which convensy sor time about June. It is not anticipat This strain and the control of the c that any especial difficulty will be ex-perienced, owing to the circumstances.

\$10 gold pleces which are beginning to circulate in Charlotte, nobody has been found as yet who admires the design in conception or appearance. The eagle would not "be recognized by his own mother, and many there are who are irreverent enough to

Frances Brown, a negro woman who lives on Graham street, was arrested yesterday by Officers Asbury and Hunter, charged with retailing.

"I sin't done nothin'. I believe they says they found some licker in my house that somepody put there," was Frances' coy detense. Evidently she is but one of the scores of injured innocents who never do anything wrong, but are punished for no cause whatever. In the same class belongs also Will Davis, colored, ar-rested yesterday for gambling.

Death of Mr. Robert Huddleston. Mr. Robert Huddleston, aged 72 vears, died at his home, No. 1015 North Brevard street, yesterday morning at 2 o'clock after a long illness. His widow and several sons and daugh-ters survive him. The funeral took place at the home yesterday afternoon at 3 o'clock, the interment being made at Elmwood. Mr. Huddles-

Southern Warerooms Excel All Oth-ton was a veteran of the civil war and had been regiding in Charlotte for a number of years. He was much ad-er Branches of the Stieff Plano mixed by those with whom he came in mired by those with whom he came in contact for his high character and blind tiger in return for his release genial\ways. out bond. Collections Fairly Good. "I consider that collections are being made remarkably well," said a prominent business man yesterday. 'The fact that the farmers are holding their cotion militates to a considerable extent against prompt collections, but otherwise the people are paying well. I do not blame the farmers for sticking to their cotton and I am one man who will not push them for the money they owe us when the price of the staple re-mains as it is. I believe in letting them get all they can for it." Mr. Cabaniss Retains Counsel. It is understood that Messrs. Tillett & Guthrie and Clarkson & Duls have been retained by Mr. C. B. Don't Cabaniss to represent him in the action which will be brought against the Charlotte Electric Light and Power Company, for the death of his sister-in-law, Miss Alleen Kendall, of Shelby, several weeks ago, and the injuries sustained by his wife. The Delay summons have not been issued and it is not known what amount will be asked for.

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inners, Their Sins and Their Penalties Paid in Yesterday's Recorder's Court.

Tom Quinn, the negro who was saught Monday night after alighting from an incoming train from Salisbury, is under \$200 bond for his appearance at court. Mr. J. D. Mc-Call, who appeared for him, contended that the recorder's court was without jurisdiction, in that the officer who made the arrest had no authority at the place where it was made. The recorder overruled him and an exception was noted.

Mattie Davis, who was charged with trespass, was fined \$5. Joe Bur-roughs, who claimed that he was suffering from a lame back, was fined \$15 and the costs for vagrancy. Sadle Johnston was bound to Superior Court in \$50 bond for running a disorderly house.

Lula White was arraigned on the charge of being a blind tigress, but the evidence was insufficient to

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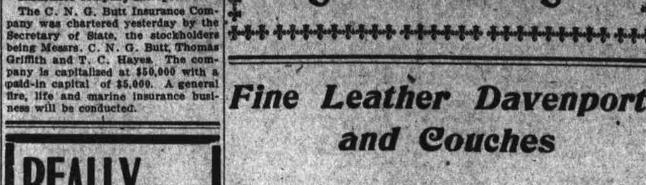
Do not fail to see the new styles we

The Young Men's Christian Associ-ation basketball team will play a se-ries of three games with the team fro mthe Asheville Farm School dur-ing Christmas week. The Asheville aggregation is said to be a very strong one and there is a promise of something doing when the games take place. The association team is made up of

the following players: W. B. Hunting-ton, captain; F. L. Crowell, H. B. Beniot, J. B. Green, Jesse Garrett, Randolph Willimann and Silas Alexander The full line-up of both teams will

be given at a later date. The Tar Heels and the Athletics are scheduled for the Saturday night game.

Will Decide on Discontinuing Trains. The question of the discontinuanco of trains on the Southern will be de-cided definitely by the authorities at Washington this week. For several days there have been rumors out to



Concern in the Amount of Business Done-Mr. C. H. Wilmoth Compli-

Mr. S. P. Walker, auditor for Chas. M. Stieff, plane manufacturer, saltimore, who has been in the city everal days, the guest of Mr. C. H. Wilmoth, left last night for his home in Baltimore. In conversation vesterday with and Observer reporter. Mr. Walker said the Charlotte House, of led all other Stieff branches in business for 1967. When asked as to the number of branches he replied that there were eleven located at Boston, Mass.; Scranton, Pittsburg and Harrisburg, Pa.: Richmond. Lynchburg and Norfolk, Ve.; Baltimore and Washington. Wilmington and Charlotte. The Southern warerooms, he said, had not only had the best and most sausfacfory year's business in the history of the office, but had in addition led ev-ery other branch of the Stieff concern. The fact that Mr. Wilmoth's office jed all other stores in the sale of the Stieff plano is a very great compliment to his business ability and his knowledge of the piano busi-

Sending Packages Across the Waters. Uncle Sam is doing a heavy business this week all over the country, not only in attending to the business of Americans, but in transferring the Christmas spirit across the seas, Foreigners of various nationalities have been registering packages this week usiness is always the first to begin on account of the fact that it takes longer to get packages across the wa-ters than it does to send them to any part of the United States. The do-mestic rush is nevertheless beginning.

Mr. Oldham's Record.

Mr. J. M. Oldham, the genial local agent of the New Tork Life Insurance Company, has received notification to the effect that he has made a splendid record during the past three months in the way of soliciting business for this well-known insur-ance company. In the list of the agents who sent in the most business from all parts of the United States, Mr. Oldham is numbered as the 19th in September, 13th in October and 31st in December.

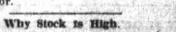
Two New Stockholders.

By the incorporation of the Foreman-Miller Company, the charter for which was issued yesterday, Mesers T, C. Wilson, and J. T. Cobb bestockholders in this institution. The authorized capital stock of the n is fixed at \$100,000, with a other Iwo stockholders are Messrs. E. C. Miller, of this city, and W. R. Forentan, of Lynchburg, Va.

City Employes to Get Christmas Money.

Arrangements are being made to ay off every employe of the various bay on every employe of the various city departments next Saturday in order that the men may have their money, during. Christmas. This is no new custom, it having been in-minited a number of years ago. The monthly pay roll of the city amounts to between \$5,000 and \$6,000.

Cotton Yesterday, At the Charlotte cotton platform perday 64 bales were received, basis price paid beins 14 cents, the corresponding day of 1905 bales were sold and the price re-



"The reason horses and mules are higher than usual," declared a wellknown dealer yesterday. "Is because for friends in their native climes. This there is such a heavy demand. Never before has there been anything like the calls that have come within recent months for sound-bodied horses and mules. Railroad and mill construction all over the the country has raised the price until it is almost beyond the reach of the man who needs only a few for farm purposes."

> Death of Mrs. Mollie Ramsey. The remains of Mrs. Mollie M. Ramsey, widow of the late R. M. Ramsey, of this county, who died Tuesday afternoon at Durham, will be brought to Mecklenburg. The funeral and interment are expected to take place at Huntersville to-day. Mrs. Ramsey, who is well known in this county, had lived in Durham about 15 years. Four daughters and three sons survive her.

A Pretty Show Window,

The show window at the Little-ong Comnany's Trade Street store Long had the children and young folks going yesterday. The main object of interest is a really, truly, make-be-lleve flying machine, which floats back and forth in the air ceaselessiv, fol-lawed by two birds of flight. In the airship are Santa Claus and a comnany of companions. Beneath is a forest scene, with ground covered with

Meeting at Pr'tchard Memorial. Rev. W. L. Walker, who is in the city from Washington, D. C., where he conducted a revival meeting at the is conducted a revival meeting at the West End Protist church, will begin a revival for Dr. E. E. Bomar, at the Pritchard Memorial church. December 19th. Rev. Mr. Walker is a son of Dr. and Mrs. H. J. Walker, and has many friends in this city and county where he spent his youth.

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is generally believed that these man who was to show the officers a trains will be taken off. from prison Sunday morning with-Mr. C. A. Black, the liveryman,

was fined the costs for allowing his teams to stand in front of his stables on West Stonewall street unattended Mr. Earnhardt Buys Farm.

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CERTIFICATE OF DISSOLUTION.

To All Whom These Presents May

To All Whom These Presents May Come—Greeting: Whereas, it appears to my satis-faction, by duly authenticated record of the proceedings for the voluntary dissolution thereof by the unanimous consent of all the stockholders, de-posited in my office, that the Char-lotte Plano Company, a corporation of this State, whose principal office is situated at No. 213 North Tryon Street, in the City of Charlotte, County of Mecklenburg, State of North Carolina, W. C. Coleman being the agent therin and in charge thereof, upon whom process may be served, has compiled with the re-quirements of Chapter 21, Revisal of 1905, entitled "Corporations." pre-liminary to the issuing of this Cer-tificate of Dissolution: Now, Therefore, I. J. Bryan Grimes, Secretary of State of the State of North Carolina, do hereby certify that the said corporation did, on the 17th day of July, 1907, file in ge office a duly executed and at-tested consent in writing to the disso-lution of said corporation, executed by all the stockholders thereof, which said consent and the record of the proceedings aforesaid are now

which said consent and the record of the proceedings aforesaid are now on file in my said office as provided by law.

In testimony whereof, I have here-to set my hand and affixed my of-ficial seal, at Raleigh, this 17th day of July, A. D. 1907. J. BRYAN GRIMES. Secretary of State.

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