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KING LOCATED IN LONDON BRYAN WILL MAKE NO SPEECHES ROAST FOR ALDRICH BILL THE SWORD ABOUT TO FALL THE LIE PUT UP TO LILLEY Holson since this conversation but AROKE," BUT NOT A CRIMINAL The Boston Financial Agent, a Hunted Fugitive From Justice, Recognized by a Former Business Associate, Who Cables the News to the Hub The Senator From Wisconsin Speaks Two Hours and a Half on the Pending Currency Measure and Charges That There is an Inlimate Connection Between Morgan and the Standard Oil Banks and the Currency Bill—The Speaker Enters Into a Denunciation of Men High in the Financial World, and Claims to Becognize a "Nigger in the Woodpile" in the Withdrawal of the Proposition to Incorporate Ball-way Bonds in the Bill.

SENATE SUMMARY.

the Boston Financial Agent, a Hunted Fuglitive From Justice, Recognized by a Former Business Associate, Who Cables the News to the Hub -Both the Boston Police and King's -mer Associates Decline to Admit at They Have Received Word of His Whereabouts--King Denies That He is Criminally Responsible -An Effort Will Be Made to Ar-rest Him and Secure His Extradi-tion, Though There is Some Doubt of the Success of This Mancuver.

a million, and who to-day is a hunted fugitive from justice, is in London. He was located there to-day by a well-known Boston business man who has been associated with him in sev-eral of his spectacular enterprises. While his friends and agents were

circulating reports of his being in New York to raise funds, of confinement in a Southern sanitarium the financier Fredonio, N. Y., a national bank exfor whose arrest on a charge of em-and assumed control of the affairs of berziement warrants have been issued, the City National Bank in the capaci-

for whose arrest on a charge of em-bezilement warrants have been issued, and for whom the police of the world in the City National Bank in the capaci-the Sector of permanent receiver. He was ent to Greenaboro by the Comptroller of the Currency to relieve the tem-porary receiver. National Bank Ex-aminer Hull, whose work calls him porary receiver. National Bank Ex-aminer Hull, whose work calls him porary receiver. National Bank Ex-aminer Hull, whose work calls him porary receiver. National Bank Ex-aminer Hull, whose work calls him porary receiver. National Bank Ex-aminer Hull, whose work calls him porary receiver. National Bank Ex-aminer Hull, whose work calls him porary receiver. National Bank Ex-aminer Hull, whose work calls him porary receiver. National Bank Ex-aminer Hull, whose work calls him porary receiver. National Bank Ex-aminer Hull, whose work calls him porary receiver. National Bank Ex-aminer Hull, whose work calls him porary receiver. National Bank Ex-aminer Hull, whose work calls him porary receiver. National Bank Ex-aminer Hull, whose work calls him to passengers, and his presence aboard the boat was not known until after the pilot had left. Then he made his appearance and seemed to make no effort to hide his identity. He was recognized by a prominent Boston business man with whom he had been associated, and discussed his plans and the outlook for the future. Intimating that he was going abroat on business. At that time no warrant had been At t

He and King left Liverpool together and went to London together. It was there that the friend jearned, a few attorneys interested in the litigation. The fact is the banks the country are against it." MR. MORGAN'S F

there that the friend jearned, a few days ago, of the fact that King had disappeared and that the police were searching for him. He communicated with his Boston lawyer, who notified the police. To-night a cablegram was received from London saying that King was stopping at a second-rate hotel and quoting him as saying that he would some fears a siatement explaining his is innocent of every charge. He claims that if anything, he is only a mits that he is "broke," but says that if certain plans turn out he will be able to rate meta-zaler. He ad-mits that he is "broke," but says that if certain plans turn out he will be able to rate meta-zaler. He ad-mits that he is "broke," but says that if certain plans turn out he will be able to rate meta-zaler. He ad-mits that he is "broke," but says that if certain plans turn out he will be able to rate meta-zaler. He ad-mits that he is "broke," but says that if certain plans turn out he will be able to rate meta-zaler. He ad-mits that he is "broke," but says that if certain plans turn out he will be able to rate meta-zaler. He ad-mits that he is "broke," but says that if certain plans turn out he will be able to rate meta-zaler. He ad-mits that he is "broke," but says that if certain plans turn out he will be able to rate meta-zaler. He ad-mits that he is "broke," but says that if certain plans turn out he will be able to rate meta-zaler. He ad-mits that he is "broke," but says that if certain plans turn out he will be able to rate meta-zaler. He ad-mits that he is "broke," but says that if certain plans turn out he will be able to rate meta-zaler. He ad-mits that he is "broke," but says that if certain plans turn out he will be able to rate with the source in a short while to spent if certain plans turn out he will be able to rate with the source in a short while to spent if certain plans turn out he will mits that he is "broke," but says that ff certain plans turn out he will be able to make good his losses and settle with his creditors before any criminal action can be taken. He high Point graded schools. Boston counsel and that they will at create act in his hebalf. Bright Tobacco Growers' Association Raises Funds to Wage War Agains the American Tobacco Company. "NIGGER IN THE WOODPILE." HIS LAWYERS MUM. "Let me say," Mr. LaFollette re-plied, "you cannot always tell from the lines of the bill. I should say None of his lawyers in Boston to night would admit that they had Danville, Va., March "17 .- In heard from their client, and none of heard from their client, and none of his former agents or friends would admit that they even knew King was Protective Association of Virginia and the proposition to withdraw the provision to incorporate railway bond in this bill throws a flood of light up on the purpose of this legislation. Let in London. The police will at once communicate with the London police and it is probable that King will be American Tobacco Company, will be me say to the Senator from Rhode Island further that it is not beyond arrested to-morrow and held for ex-tradition. Whether he can be extradited or not is a question. His business affairs are in such shape that it is almost impossible to learn anything from the result of the association is to pool tobacco and hold until prices to pool tobacco and hold until prices question that these great organiza-tions might put out here or there criticisms of this proposition to give color to the idea that there is no great and mighty power organized be hind this legislation." them, and the receiver now in charge says he cannot make head from tail, If King persists in the claim that he is only a debtor, the general im-pression is that the authentities with De claring that the recent finan stringency was brought out by the in-fluence of "Standard Oil" and J. Pier-pont Morgan, Senator LaFollette en-tered into a denunciation of men high pression is that the authorities will Addresses were made by President have a hard time proving embezzle- H. O. Kerns, Inter-State Organizer ment, owing to the manner in which he conducted his affairs. in the financial world. "There were no commercial rea-sons for a panic," said Mr. LaFollette riders in Kentucky, which was de-scribed as deplorable, but brought about by conditions, which had be-come almost unbearable. They were opposed to violence here, and urged permanent organization and co-oper-"There were speculative, legislative and political reasons why a panic might serve special interests. There were business scores to settle. There was legislation to be blocked, and a SPERRY TO SUCCEED EVANS. He Will Take Command of the Battle-ship Fleet When it Leaves 'Frisco to Encircle the Globe. ation as the means of securing bet-

The Bevill Building, Greensboro, March 17.

A leading Democrat of North Car-olina who talked with William J. Bryan recently informed The Observer correspondent to-day that Mr. Bryan has decided to change his plan of campaign if he should receive the Democratic nomination for the presi-dency this year, so far a "contraction

tion, Though There is Some Doubt of the Success of This Mancuver. Special to The Observer. Boston, March 17.—Cardenio 'F. King, the financial agent, who three months ago could write his check for a million, and who to-day is a hunted After speaking for two and a half hours in the Senate yesterday on the pending currency bill Senator La-Follette asked permission to suspend his remarks and conclude to-day as he was unable to continue longer. Senator Aldrich reported to Senate from the committee on finance amendments to the currency bill ex-empting railroad bonds from classes of bonds to be used to secure emerg-ency currency, limiting the retire-ment of such currency and providing While his friends and agents were tribution to the political news of the

that such issues should be permitted up to the par value of bonds used to aminer, arrived in Greensboro to-day The legislative, executive and judicial appropriation bill was considered

"It is," he added, "not only oppor

MR. MORGAN'S POSITION. "I will inquine," retorted Mr. La

Drops Dead at the Sight-Pala to Democratic Convention to Be Held at Columbia May 20th-In Second Primary William S. Reamer Wins Mayoralty.

Observer Bureau, 1422 Main Street, Columbia, S. C., March 17.

The dispensary situation is looking as determined as ever.

In the second primary to-day to de-cessful competition. NEWSPAPER M William F. Stieglitz for the mayoralty the former William won by a major-ity of nearly 500 votes. Mr. Reamer is a successful business man of large experience. Mr. Stieglitz was voted by the blue-law Sunday element The election of Reamer is rather the evidence of a general desire for better business administration.

JUDGE BUCHANAN DIES.

There was genuine sorrow and regret expressed here to-day over the out some "feature stories" on subma news that Judge O. W. Buchanan, of Winnsboro, had died in Augusta this Both witnesses testified that they morning as a result of being shot in ern's train on its way to Augusta from Columbia yesterday afternoon. Judge Buchanan was on his way to Augusta to meet his brothers-in-law, Col. James H. Tillman, of Edgefield,

and Mr. R. A. Fuller, of Laurens, and his sister-in-law, Mrs. G. A. Bunch. Judge Buchanan was born al Winnsboro September 16th, 1858, being the son of R. A. Buchanan and Rebecca Woodward, and was descended from revolutionary stock on ordinance of secession. He was ad-mitted to the bar in 1880, after studyng law in the office of James H. Rion at Winnsboro. He was married at Clark's Hill in 1889 to Miss Sophia Tilman, daughter of Congressman George Tillman and niece of Senator B, R. Tillman. He was appointed As-sistant Attorney General by Attorney General D, A. Townsend, and on the

DEAD.

escape from drowning at about the

Laurens Railroads against the

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Judge Pritchard Given Notice That the Winding-Up Commission of the South Carolina Dispensary is Ready For Any Contempt Proceedings-Judge Buchanan Dies of the Wound He Received While on Train-One Child Drowned In Tub, and a Boy Drowned at the Steht Palmet Affairs Committee For His Influ-ence, Denies Point Blank Hobson's Charge—Newspaper Writer Says Lilley Told an Untruth When He Denied Authenticity of Interview Denied Authenticity of Interview Making Charges Against Sherman, Griggs and Others—The Committee Takes a Recess Until To-Morrow

Washington, March 17 .- The statement of Representative Richmond P. Hobson, of Alabama, before the special committee of the House investia bit warlike to-day. The State's ial committee of the House investi-attorneys have notified Judge Pritch- gating the charges made by Repreard that the commission is ready to sentative George Lilley, of Connectstand for attachment proceedings icut, that he had been approached by and have asked him to come to Co-lumbia for a hearing on this and to Company, who offered to use his inalso hear a motion to vacate his or- fluence with the Speaker to have Mr. ders in view of the State Supreme Court's decision rendered last Sat-urday. Judge Pritchard replied, marines" was contradicted before making no reference to the State Su-preme Court and saying that when attachment proceedings were applied for he would act,-"after giving all marines" was contradicted before that committee to-day by Lawrence Spear, the former naval officer who Mr. Hobson said had spoken to him. Mr. Spear said he had not made any parties timely notice." The three promises to secure the influence of members of the commission who have Speaker Cannon or any one else and been out of the jurisdiction of the that he never had tried to influence Federal Court for several days are them; in fact, he said, he did not now back at home ready for action. know the Speaker. Mr. Spear Judge Pritchard is in Asheville. The claimed that his company had never line of battle is now clearly defined. endeavored to suppress competition; Both sides have expressed the hope had never received any legislative or of coming to a settlement without an departmental favors and had never "unseemly clash," but the State is received an order from the Navy Department except as the result of suc-

NEWSPAPER MEN TESTIFY. The other two witnesses of the day were A. A. Erly and Frank B. Lord, two of the newspaper men whom Mr. Lilley charged he had been warned against as in the pay of the Efectric Boat Company. They

both denied that they were ever in the pay of the company although said they had done special work for Mr. McNeir, one of the attorneys the company in the way of getting had lost their positions as the result the left side while a passenger on a of Mr. Lilley's charges. Mr. Lord Pullman car attached to the South-characterized the repudiation by Mr. Lilley, of an interview he claimed to have had with him as "unqualifiedly absolutely and deliberately untrue. The committee adjourned until Thursday.

SPEAR'S TESTIMONY.

Lawrence Spear, who said he was one of the vice presidents and naval constructor of the Electric Boat Company, was called as the first witness. He is a graduate of the Naval Acadscended from revolutionary stock on both sides. His uncle, John Buch-anan, was one of the signers of the ordinance of necessity. He was address of the board of naval architecture. He resigned from the naval service July 1st, 1902, and entered the service of the Submarine

Company. Mr. Spear said that the last time he had seen Mr. Hobson was at the Capitol, a month or six weeks ago.

that their relations were still friend-Referring to the agreement between the Electric Boat Company and the Vickers Company, of Eng-land, Mr. Spear said that the Electric Boat Company and the Vickers had entered into a contract which contemplated the exchanging of improvements but that the English government objected and the contract was changed so that improvements

made by either company are not exchanged. Mr. Spear denied that the Electric Boat Company had made, an exces-sive profit out of its contracts and

said the Electric Boat Company had He never suppressed competition. declared that the company had never received any legislative or departmental favors nor ever received any order from the Navy Department ex-

ERLY WROTE ARTICLES.

cept as the result of successful com-

A. Erly, one of the newspaper men whom Mr. Lilley said he had been warned against, denied that he had ever been in the employ of the company, but stated that last summer he had distributed some articles on submarine boats to newspaper men for McNeir, for which he had been paid \$36 to cover expenses. He said he had never received any further money from any one connected with the Electric Boat Company. He also said he had no knowledge of a newspaper lobby here, as charged by Mr. Lilley. He said that as a result of Mr. Lilley's charges he had lost his place with the press association, by which he was employed. Frank E. Lord, another of the

newspaper men, against whom Mr. Lilley said he had been warned, also denied that he had ever been in the employ of the Electric Boat Company, although he said he had prepared some "feature" stories about submarine boats for Mr. McNeir, which had been furnished to newspaper correspondents and published, but in none of the papers represented by him. These articles, he said, were not written with the view of influencing legislation, but were prepared to meet the requests of newspaper men for stories on submarines. He denied that he belonged to a newspaper lobby.

LIE UP TO LILLEY.

Regarding an interview which he said he had had with Mr. Lilley, in which charges were made against Representatives Sherman, Griggs and others and which Mr. Lilley had repudiated, Mr. Lord said the interview was absolutely correct. "In that denial," continued Mr. Lord. "Mr. Lilley said what was unqualifiedly, absolutely, deliberately untrue, for he uttered every word that was print-

Mr. Lord stated that as the of Mr. Lilley's charges he had lost his position. In answer to a question propounded by Mr. Littleton, Mr. Lord said that a complaint by Mr. Lake had been made to his pa-per about something he had written concerning the Lake Foat which also may have been instrumental in hav-ing him discharged.

Mr. Lord said he could not remem-

BRYAN BOOSTED IN HOUSE no reference had been made to it and

JAMES SCORES THE OPPOSITION

Kentucky Member Attacks the Hec-ord of the Party in Power For Its Shortcomings, Decisring That But For the Corruption in the Last Na-tional Election the Nebraskan Would Have Been President-Touches Up the Republicans on the Tariff Revision Ghost and Charges That They Have Offered the Ameri-can People the Shadow and Not the can People the Shadow and Not the Substance-Administration Legis lating in Behalf of the Corpora tions

HOUSE SUMMARY.

Praise of President Roosevelt, Sec-retary Taft and William J. Bryan was heard in the House of Represen tatives yesterday during general bate on the pension appropriation bill. The first speaker was Mr. Kennedy, of Ohio, who lauded the President and his politics, as well as Secretary Taft, who, he said, would bring glory and prestige to the country as dent. The commendation of Mr. Bryan came from Mr. Olile James, of Kentucky, who predicted that the Ne-braskan would be elected President next November. An exhaustive speech in advocacy of the Fowler financial bill was made by Mr. Prince, of The other speakers were Illinois. Messrs. Brundidge, of Arkansas, who criticised the inaction of the present Congress, and Mr. Floyd, his league, who urged legislation to further regulate the trusts. The pension appropriation bill was

still the order of business when the House at 4:49 p. m. adjourned.

Washington, March 17 .- The fallure to provide a penitentiary penalty in the railroad rate law was among the criticisms made in the House tothe criticisms made in the House to-day by Mr. Ollie James, of Kentucky, of Republican legislation in the last few years. The Republicans, he charged, had done more than legis-late in favor of the railroads; had allowed national banks to hold two hundred million doltars a year of the peoples' money without paying interest on it, although the Democrats had tried to so influence legislation as to cause such interest to be paid. "You are being gradually educated by the Democratic party," he said, addres-sing the Republicans, "but God only knows what debt it is you owe the American people for all the wrongs you have inflicted upon them."

SHADOW, NOT SUBSTANCE.

«It was a surprising thing, he said, to hear that the Republicans at last proposed to revise the tariff. "You have come to the Democratic position on everything in the world," he said, "and almost tried to imitate it.' You have offered to the American the shadow and not the substance."

Mr. James provoked laughter by referring to the free list of the Ding ley tariff. He quoted nux vomica, old junk, dragons blood, cuttlefish bone and leeches. As to the latter he said he was in favor of taxing them as high as heaven itself "because we have enough leeches and blood-suck-ers here now." The record of the Republican party, however, he de-Republican party, however, he de-clared, had been written and it could

not be changed.

Washington, March 17 .- Rear Ad- ter prices. miral Charles S. Sperry will be com-mander-in-chief of the American bat-tleship fleet when it leaves San Francisco in July to encircle the globe. This important detail was decided on by President Roosevelt and his Cabnet to-day

Rear Admiral Evans, on his person

Rear Admiral Evans, on his person-al request, will be relieved of the com-mand at the conclusion of the big naval review at San Francisco, May sth. The admiral considers this the completion of the work he was assign-ed to do-take the Atlantic filest to the Pacific coast. Admiral Evans re-tires in August. To Rear Admiral Thomas comes the honor of commanding the fleet on its visit to Puget Sound and until the homeward journey begins. He has been second in command during the voyage and retires in October. These retirements make possible two promotions to the grade of rear admiral, and these are to be filled by the advancement of Captain Seaton Schroeder and Captain Richard Wain-wright, who will command respectively

wright, who will command respectively the third and fourth squadrons of the fleet, and Rear Admiral Emory the second.

Mistrial in Case of Georgia Physician Charged With Murder

Charged With Mutation Eastman, Ga., March 17.—A mis-trial was this afternoon declared in the case of the State against Dr. S. P. the case of the State against Dr. S. P. the case of the State against Dr. S. P. Smith. charged with murderlog W. J. Nicholson in this county on the 4th of July last. The jury was empan-eled last Friday and were in the custody of the officers four days. It is understood that a majority p? the jury were for acquittal and a verdict of acquittal was freely expected. The State was represented by E. D. Gra-ham, solicitor: Hon. John F. Delacy and Hon. William Morrison. The defense was represented by Judge H. H. D. Twiggs, of Savannah; C. W. Eastman.

Three hundred delegates attended

AN ESCAPED CONVICT.

Man Held at Danville For Raising Notes Wanted in This State For Other Crimes.

currency measure suited to the sys-tem to be secured. There was a third term to be disposed of, and policies to be discredited. A PLANNED PANIC. "A panic came. I believe that it needs only to be followed step by step to show that it was planned and executed, in so far as such a pro-

ceeding is subject to control, once in motion."

once in motion." He recounted in vivid language his views of the events of October 34th when Wall Street was in the throes of the currency stringency. The Morgan and Standard Oil banks, he said, pursued in that criti-cal moment the course of the specu-lating bankers. "They ministered." he said, "to the needs of Wall Street, guile deaf to the appeals of commerce. Their course was that of men who were playing with the credit of the country for a with the credit of the country for a He discussed the economic develop

ments of the country and laid espec-lal stress upon the growth of finan-cial combinations.

cial combinations. "The bare names of the directors of two great banking groups (Stand-ard Oli and Morgan) given in con-nection with their business associa-tions is all the evidence that need be offered of the ubsolute community of interest between banks, railroads and all the great industries," declar-ed Mr. LaFollette. Boney's Shortage All the Thik. Special to The Observer. Chester, S. C., March 17.—The al-leged shortage at the Springstein Mill, mention of which appeared in yesterday's issue of The Observer, continues to be the main topic of conversation here to-day, though the situation remains unchanged. The mill officials refuse to give out any information whatever, as do the au-ditors who are work on the books. A

ARTIFICIAL METHODS. peaking of the great stores of ney in New York in connection various industrial institutions. LaFollette said:

Mr. LaFoliette said: "With this enormous concentration of husiness it is possible to create artificially periods of prosperity and periods of panic. "Subject to differences which may arise between numerful induction

between powerful individuals different groups, resulting donal collision." he continu occasional collision." he continued, "they are practically a monopoly and as far as the public is concerned, practically one group. The busi-ness partner of the head of the Mor-

The best of the standard of the Mor-street. The damage is \$1,000 covered by Insurance.

elevation to the bench of the latter against another man who was trying was elected Attorney General, going to influence submarine boat legisla-to the bench from that office. He tion He tion. served twelve years as circuit judge. ONE DROWNS: ANOTHER DROPS versation Mr. Hobson had expressed

the opinion that there should twice as many submarine boats as A message to the bureau from Anthe four recommended by the Secrederson to-night says that yesterday afternoon in the Toney Creek sec-

tary of the Navy. Mr. Spear was then asked about the conversation over the telephone tion of Dunklin township, Greenville county, the year-old child of Joe Sayle as to which Mr. Hobson had testi-fied. He flatly contradicted Mr. Hobcolored, fell into a tub of water and was drowned. A large crowd of son, saying that he had never promwhite and negro children came in to ised to use his influence with the Speaker or any one else to get Mr. see the body, among them the 18-year-old son of J. B. Jordan, named Joe, who dropped dead at the sight. The boy had himself had a narrow Hobson appointed on the naval affairs committee

MR. HOBSON MIXED. "I think Mr. Hobson is mixed over

The railroad commission overruled a conversation I had with his secre-tary," continued Mr. Spear. "I had the protest of the Seaboard Blue Ridge and Columbia, Newberry and a talk with his secretary during Mr. Hobson's illness in which I said 1 pashoped Mr. Hobson would soon recover. I asked how he was progress-ng in his efforts to become a memduce rates not later than April 15th. STATE CONVENTION MAY 20TH. ber of the naval affairs committee and said that I supposed all Mr. Hob-The State Democratic executive committee met to-night and called the State convention for May 20th, when a delegation to the national convention will be chosen. A resoson needed was the recommendation of Minority Leader Williams, that I understood the Speaker acted on his recommendation. I also said that I thought Mr. Hobson would not have much trouble getting this recommen-dation, as both he and Mr. Williams button by Mr. James counseling the State convention to be careful to do only those things that will safeguard the business interests of the State and nation was defeated as being not within the duties of the committee, were Southern men.

"I told the secretary to tell Mr as was a resolution by Senator Blease to change the August primary from Hobson that if I could assist him in any way I would be glad to do so. I had gone to see Mr. Hobson to talk with him about submarine boats and the secretary said he would tell Mr. Hobson I had called and also give sday to Saturday so as to give the mill people a better opportunity to vote. Senator Tiliman, who is exofficio a member of the committee, was not present. He left Washing-ton last night. It is presumed the death of his relative, Judge Buchanhim the substance of the conversation

Referring to the conversation with Mr. Hobson over the telephone Mr. Spear said it was his impression Mr. Hobson called him up at his ho-tel and said: "Spear. It is not nec-essary for you to bother about talk-ing to me about submarine boats. I

DETAILS CONVERSATION.

"I replied to him," continued Mr. Spear, "that I was very glad he had not changed his views. I then asked him how he was getting along with his effort to be placed on the naval committee. Mr. Hobson said he was nection with a company that is in terested in the legislation would would

made to Mr. Williams, the Speaker

affecting the amount of circulation which may be taken out on, bonds of the various kinds applicable for such purpose. The bill provides that circulating notes may be issued equal in amount to 36 per cent. of the market value of any bonds de-posited. The amendment adopted to-day adds the provision that the fa-suance-shall not be in excess, how-ever, of the par value of the bonds. This is intended to meet the criticism that certain securities might be in-flated above par value through the action of speculators and the comaction of speculators and the com-mittee believes the amendment will effectually eliminate such danger.

Mr. Speak mid he had met Mr.

ed from Mr. McNeir for writing the special stories, but he thought it was between \$500 and \$600. He said he did not consider that he was working for the Electric Boat Company when he wrote these stories; that he did the work for Mr. McNeir. Mr. Lilley has filed with the com

mittee an unsigned communication mittee an unsigned communication received from Philadelphis stating that "William Dulies, of New York City, and Robert McA. Floyd, of Cold Springs Harbor, N. Y., both formerly directors of the Electric Boat Company, resigned because of the amount used for corruption or for which they would make no accounting."

A STRIKE IMMINENT.

Unless the Company Backs Down and Accepts Union's Proposals, a Gen-eral Strike Will Follow. Special to The Observer.

Salisbury, March 17 .- An important communication received here today from a representative of the men in the Southern Railway case says in

part: "At meeting before the inter-State commerce commission Saturday the proposition of arbitration was presented and was fiatly turned down by all organizations." This practically means that unless the company backs down and accepts the union's proposals there will be a general strike all over the system. The men here are not excited over the prospect, still hoping that some way may be found out of the difficulty. They consider their demands just and the offer made to the company absolute-

ly fair. On the authority of Mr. A. Stewart, superintendent of motive power, all nen laid off are employes and are entitled to the same pass privilege as when in active service.

Strike Talk Merely Talk, It is Said at Spencer.

Special to The Observer. Spencer, March 17 .--- The employee

of the Southern Railway Company here who were thrown out of work a

week ago by the closing of several week ago by the closing of several departments in the Spencer shops are growing extremely anxious to hear a report from the inter-State commerce commission now in session in Washington, which it is believed will settle the differences, between the company and employes. There has been considerable talk to-day of a general strike being ordered on a general strike being ordered on the entire system, including road men and all departments. This, however, is considered mere talk, as it is beis considered mere talk, as it is be-lieved that an adjustment will be reached in a few days. Meanwhile the train records show a marked in-crease in business on all lines from day to day. The employes were ad-vised to-day that they are still con-sidered as in the service of the com-sidered as in the service of the com-

puny and passes will be issued as usual. Many of the 600 men now on the pay roll at Spencer are work-ing regular time and over time. The officials have promised to arrange for these of Ante to work a part of the hose off duty to work a part of the ime.

Negro Teachers Fight Ducl; One Fa-tally Wounded.

Roanoke, Va., March 17.--Prot. A. B. White, colored, principal of Greng avenue colored public school, was whot and fatally wounded by Thomas was named to mining C Cooper alloces that White had insultingly criticized a sister of Cooper's, who is a teacher in the school. Cooper is in jail. White the committies will near cooper to be a teacher in the school. Cooper is in jail. White the ball for the committee will near the committee will near the committee will near and the school of the school of the school cooper is in jail. White

APPLAUSE FOR BRYAN.

Loud Democratic applause greeted Mr. James when he asserted his belief that in the last two campaigns against Mr. Bryan "but for the corruption brought by the Republicans upon the monopolies and trusts of the country Bryan would have been elected President of the United States." Mr. Bryan, he said, stood for some thing and had convictions and courage to express them. "He has never prostituted his garments for money." he said. "He has never sold the love of the American peo-ple for corporation gold." The people of the country, he said, would just time do proper meed and credit to the man who draws the naked sword in their defense and in their rights." and he believed that these people "are going to elect for President that grand, that splendid, that matchless Democrat-William J. Bryan."

ARSON AND RAPE CHARGED.

A Father and His Son Now in Jail on These Two Capital Charges-Negro Girl Was Ravished.

Special to The Observer

Special to The Observer. Greenville, S. C., March 17.--Wil-liam and Earle Payne, father and son, respectively, are lodged in the county jail to-night, both charged with capital offenses of a different nature. The elder Payne, who is 65 years of age, is charged with arson, and the younger one is charged with having ravished a young negro girl. Earle Payne, the young man, was Earle Payne, the young man, WHS arrested yesterday morning on a war-rant sworn out by the girl's parents, and while the latter were in city it is claimed that the elder Payne burned their house. The evi-dence against both of them is said to be strong.

The Paynes are white people and heretofore have borne good reputa-tions. Both crimes were committed about four miles from the city.

TILLMAN GOES TO CLEMSON.

He Says That Roosevelt Would Like to Have Him in Fort Leavenworth Prison, He Guess

Special to The Observer. Gaffney, S. C., March 17.-Senator Tillman was at Gaffney for a short while to-day. He said he was on his way to Clemson, where he would be for two days and then go to Colum-bia, from where he would return to Washington. When asked if the President had put him in jall yet, he answered, "No," but he guessed Mr. Roosevelt would like to send him to Fort Leavenworth military prison. cial to The Observe Fort Leavenworth military pri The Senator evidently left his pr ork in Washington, as he was

Forsyth Prohibitionists to Launch

humor.

Special to The Observer. Winston-Salam, March 17.-The prohibitionists of Forsyth county are making arrangements for launching a campaign in the interest of the May election. A meeting of the temperance forces was held here this afternoon and was addremed by Mr. Heriot Clarkson, of Charlotts. A per-manent organization was effected by the election of Dr. R. H. Jones, chair-man, and T. J. Wilson, secretary. An executive committee composed of ins men of the city and

ing the two principal groups are bound together in mutual interest as shareholders in the various industrial concerns which have been financed by one or the other of these groups in recent years." After talking for two and a half hours Mr. LaFollette found himself unable to continue further and sus-pended his remarks until to-morrow. Mr. LaFollette was soon surround-ed by Senators extending their con-gratulations, most of them being from the Democratic side

taxation on emergency circulation outstanding more than six months. The rate under the bill as it now company.

"Did you say in that conversation 'If you can get Williams I will do the is 6 per cent. No action was An amendment also was agreed to affecting the amount of circulation

"No, sir. My recollection of that inversation is that no reference was

or any one else." "Did you hold out to him that you had any influence with anybody, that would tend to secure his appointment on the naval committee "" "Not in the slightest. I have no influence with the Shaakor war with

"Not in the signtes. I make not influence with the Speaker nor with Mr. Williams. I do not know either gentleman. Neither myself or the company did anything to help secure a place for Mr. Hotson on the naval

THEIR RELATIONS FRIENDLY,

have not changed my views and there is no necessity for posting myself about them."

earnestly striving to get the place, and I replied 'Well, if there is any-thing I can do to help you, let me know.' He said 'There is nothing you can do. Moreover, I would not want you to do anything. Your con-

national bank note circulation. It also was decided to amend the bill so as to retain the provision of the present law prohibiting the retire-ment by national banks of more than \$9,000,000 of circulation in any one month. The committee discussed the proposition of increasing the layer that the second second

talking for himself and not for the

prove embarrassing.' I told him I would be guided by what he said." The witness said he took pains to let Mr. Hobson know that he was

RAILROAD BONDS BARRED. The Senate committee on finance to-day voted unanimously to amend the Aldrich financial bill by eliminat-ing railroad bonds as security for national bank note circulation. It