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NE BILL PASSES HOUSE tion. BLICANS GOT TOGETHER.

Democrats, All From Louisiana, ed for the Bill and Only One publican Against It—Final Vote 17 to 161-Fitzgerald of Nes Made Charge of a Midnight Whereby Free Lumber Was to Stricken Out and Rate on Bar-Raised-Petroleum on Free Previous Action of House Hav-Been Reconsidered-Final Re-Cheered by Republicans.

shington, April 9.—After three bill was passed by the House Republican, Ausvoted against the Democrats, all from Broussard, Estopi-Puly and Wickliffe voted for it. by Champ Clark, to recommit the perfections signally defeat-

The actically full memdemonstrated the

respect to lumfree list Because of that were ordered.

Mann, of Illinois, feated, yeas 153, nays 228.

Both the reservations ordered. observers being Mrs.

and down the sisles and House at 8:20 p. m. ad- Taylor, of Alabama;

ggestion of Chairman action of the House in fixpetroleum and its products

provision, Chairman Payne exthat it was used mostly by ertilizer. The maximum petroleum was also repealed. substitute for section 3 covering pax mum and minimum features offered by Chairman Payne casioned the liveliest de-When it became apparent that ought to rally his cohorts by repositions that the substitute was an elaboration of the origm in that It specificially at the articles which should thin its scope.

attempts to amend the section he case of basic slag and im failed and the vote then the entire substitue section

RAHLEY RATE INCREASED. ommittee amendments in-Pa) he rate on barley from bushel as well as the barley malt from 25 to 40 s bushel were adopted. amendments to the lumber e having been offered by Mr.

Washington, for Mr. Fitzgerald, of New 'midnight deal' were considerably removed. nying that a trade had been ef-Mann, of Illinois, said he maintain their attitude toward

Cushman protested that no souri, the minority leader, and chief the had talked to him-in relation opponent of the bill. had done so in reference he lumber schedule.

substitute for section four, in his opening remarks Mr. announced he would offer, esented. In effect it stipulates maximum provision shall to cases where a mother gives a preferential duty to of its colonies, as well as to cases re a colony gives a preferential a mother country which was ginally prescribed in the Payne

As a substitute for it, Mr. Lowden, nois, offered an ng the President discretion in the ition of the maxmum rate. the Payne amendment was

Mr Payne offered the ent to the drawback section bill This amendment stiputes that no drawback will be allowed flour or other grain products in ich domestic grain is used unl as ich domestic grain is used uni se manufactured in the same city town in which the mported grain, checked against, is milled. It provides that the article must manufactured from ain harvested prior to the importaagainst which it is checked. motion of Mr. Payne the secof the bill which provides that

Mr. Dalzell, of Pennsylvania, imwas stricken out.

The section was intended as a retaliation against the British patent law, but it was found that Great Britain applies its law to its own citiens as well as foreigners.

SELL TOBACCO WITHOUT TAX. One minute before 8 o'clock an amendment was adopted giving farmers the right to sell their to-bacco in the manufactured state with-

bacco in the manufactured state without paying the tax.

Promptly at 3 o'clock the bill
entered the final stages of its passage.
All committee amendments except
those pertaining to barley, barley
mait, tea and coffee were agreed to
en block without division.

No separate yets being asked re-

No separate vote being asked re-garding tea and coffee the amendments regarding those articles which were incorporated in the bill in the committee of the whole were adopted. Regarding the other schedules such lumber, oil, hides and barley, saarate votes were demanded.

THE AMENDMENTS READ. The amendments were read in their

These began with amendment by Mr. Tawney to strike out section 198, which imposes a duty of one per cent. cubic foot on hewn timber and timber used for spars and upon which session began the nays and yeas were ordered.

to 198. Mr. Tawney then offered an amendment to section 197, reducing the duty on finished lumber eighty per cent. and striking out the duty on rough lumber without placing is on the free list. His supporters were more than suffitent to force another roll call but business that would be lost to Sumter,

he was defeated, the vote resulting yeas 180, nays 200. The next amendment in order was one by Mr. DeArmond, of Missour!, exempting from the countervailing duty all lumber coming in from countries of the Western Hemisphere and on that teh yeas and nays likewise

The DeArmand amendment was voted down, 133 to 244. The provision for the countervalling duty on lumber whereby free was stricken out by a viva voce vote.

down and the Mr. Clark, of Missouri, forced a roll call on his amendment striking out the whole of section 197, providing for a when Richland goes dry. It will nevtwithstanding the duty on dressed lumber. It was de-

FREE LUMBER DEFEATED. Undaunted, Mr. Tawkey called up was greatly in- his amendment placing on the free proceedings and the list hewn lumber and sawed and planed lumber, covered by sections 196, and 197, and a yea and nay vote was

This resulted: Yeas 181, nays 200, which finally deefated all attempts at obtaining free lumber so far as the House is concerned. Fifty-five Repubon the bill actually was passed licans voted for free lumber and cheered lustily, some thirty-eight Democrats against it.

The following Democrats voted in their fellow members on the the negative: Adamson, Bell. Brant-After adopting a resolution that ley, Edwards, Griggs, Lee and Liv-further ordered, sessions shall donly on Mondays and Thurs-Dickson, of Mississippi; Hobson and Broussard, Estopinal, Pujo, Ransdell, Watkins and Wadcliffe, the entire Louisiana deleput three hours remaining in parfect it, before being fin-parfect it, before being fin-the House to-day re-the House to-day reederation of the Payne Lamb, Lassiter, Maynard and Soun-There was practically a ders, of Virginia; Godwin, Page, Pou, ership present and interest Small, Thomas and Webb, of North Carolina; Gregg and Dies, of Texas; Gordon, Moon and Padgett, of Tennessee; Lever, of South Carolina and

Wilson, o fPennsylvania The roll was called on the amende per cent ad valorem ments made earlier in the day, increasing the rates on barley and barley manimous consent reconsid- malt. By a vote of 193 yeas to 188 the articles placed on the nays the amendments were retained. Amendment by Mesrs. Scott, of Kansas, and Henry, of Texas, fixing and intimating they will do business ut of the maximum and min- a duty of 10 per centum respectively on raw hides weighing 25 pounds or more and on raw hides and akins weighing more than one pound, were voted down. The effect of this ac- proceed against them to the full extion was to put to rout the opponents

VOTE ON OIL SCHEDULE.

This, as was supposed, concluded the amendments, and the Speaker less amendments would was about to put the question on the posed to that sectin, Chairman engrossment and third reading of the bill when Mr. Clark, of Missouri, into them to vote down all sisted on the year and nays on He called atten- oil schedule, in order as he explained to get a record vote. After con-siderable discussion over the question to lengthen their school terms under of whether or not free oil actually was in the bill, the Speaker decided that a further vote of the House was necessary and the roll, again was called on the provision for the countervailing duty, which, he said, stricken out, would have the effect of teachers' salaries, but these will be placing crude petroleum and its pro- in position to take advantage of the ducts on the free list.

While the chair was considering tha matter, the House was in great confusion, a dozen or more members trying to get the ear of the Speaker at the same time to explain the situa-

The provision was stricken out by a practically unanimous vote. By vive voce vote the engrossment and third reading o fthe bill was ordered, whereupon Mr. Lindbergh, of possibilities of free lum- Minnesota, sought recognition to move to recommit with instructions. The Speaker refused to so recognize him, saying that in carrying out the those favoring free lumber rule known as the Fitzgerald amendment common fairness required that he should recognize Mr. Clark, of Mis-

> CLARK MOVES TO RECOMMIT. Amid intense interest Mr. Clark thereupon made a motion to recommit

while the instructions were bleng \$60, went to the other school, in read.

Occasionally a Republican would be heard to sneer at some particular recommendation. When the reading had been finish-

the previous question and on that the roll was aclied. The previous question was ordered and the vote then recurring to the Lowden amendment was lost 162 to 218. The only breaks in party Clark motion to recommit, it was lost

aligment were Messrs. Broussard and Pujo, of Louisiana, Democrats, who voted with the Republicans.

THE FINAL VOTE. At precisely 7:55 p. m. voting on the bill resulted yeas 217, nays 161. Upon the announcement of the result the Republicans broke into long and prolonged applause. The roll call lasted exactly twenty minutes. One Republican, Mr. Austin, of Tennessee, voted against the bill, and four Democrats, Broussard, Estopinal,

atents issued by the United States mediately offered a resolution providing for teachers early in guy, excitizens of a foreign country shall ing that until further ordereds the the risk of being caught without a that country to citizens applied House shall meet only on Mondays certificate. as found that the provision was in ly and the House adjourned until Mon-olation of an international conven-day.

SLIM CHANCE FOR DRY VICTORY

outh Carolina Dispensary Advocates Putting Up a Business Argument Against Prohibition — Cold Water Folks Made Mistake in Not Getting State - Wide Referendum Act Through Legislature—Georgia Fra-Insurance Organization Refused a License, But Threatens to Do Business at All Hazards-Increasing Interest in Education Throughout the State — Superin-

tendent Swearingen Issues a State-

ment.

Observer Bureau. 1230 Berkeley Building. Columbia, S. C., April 9.

The prohibitionists in the last Legslature apparently made a great tactical blunder in not concentrating all their energies and wit for the capture of the one stronghold of a State-wide referendum act, which in the opinion of many could have seen passed and the proper effort been exercised. For in that case the most potent talking point of the dispensary advocates, and one which they are now working overtime with great zeal, and it is said by those who have traveled over the State, with decided effect. The amendment was defeated 184 argument is that no county adjoining a wet county can afford to vote out its dispensaries for trade reasons. For instance the people of Sumter argue to the voters that it would never do to let Sumter go dry as in that case Bishopville in the next county of Lee would get stacks and stacks of beside the item of dispensary profits. And the dispensary people over in Lee are using the same argument with respect to Sumter, each contending that the other is practically certain to retain its dispensaries, and if doesn't so much the better, for the county which does retain them.

A BUSINESS ARGUMENT.

"Just look at how much good trade we will get," says a Brookland man, of Lexington trade that is now going to Columbia, and how much Columbia trade and profits we will get er do for Lexington to go dry, especially as I am reliably informed Richland is bound to vote out its dispen-

A gentleman who has an intimate acquaintance with the friends of the dispensary system throughout the State says this argument is being used with great force, and it is being talked at all points. In his tudgment not more than four or five of the counties will vote out their dispensaries at the elections to be held next August under the act passed by the last Legislature. On the other hand, however, it is a curious fact that many dispensers and dispensary clerks themselves as well as members of county dispensary boards are most ardent prohibitionists, and are working hard for the dry side. Not that these gentlemen have any fault to find with the present system in itself, but they are prohibitionists from, principle, and work against even their own financial and business interests.

FRATERNAL ORDER TURNED

blan Woodmen, a fraternal insurance organization of Atlanta, have been declined a license to do business in this State on the ground that the order is not sufficiently organized under the requirements of the new law of this State, and they have written a rather "sassy" letter to Commissioner McMaster assuming a deflant attitude regardless. Commissioner McMaster wrote them to-day notifying them upon information that your organizers are soliciting business I shall tent of the law."

The order has been doing some business in Columbia and at other points in the State, and it is a safe bet that arrests will follow any tempts to defy the law of the State

INTEREST IN EDUCATION.

A large number of communities over the State are applying to the State board of education for State aid the Garris act.

"And in many localities the interest manifested is most suggestive," said State Superintendent Swearingen today. "Many schools have already new law during the coming school year. The showing made on some of the applications would furnish a lear insight into economic conditions in many localities.

Fourteen counties in the State are having school terms averaging less than 18 weeks for the cities as well as the country. Colleton county's average was only 11 weeks and Horry's only 12. One district in Williamsburg could raise only \$50 with an extra levy of three mills, and another Wil-Hamsburg district with a 12-mill levy raised only \$200. One district Saluda county gave its negro school only \$13, and its white school had

just a little over \$100. Here is an eloquent specimen from about the best conditioned county in the State, Spartanburg: In High Point district the total resources were \$156. There are two white schools and no provision of any kind for negroes. One of the schools is "caring for" 50 with instruction, which instructions children, whose teacher gets \$35 a were read.

which instructions children, whose teacher gets \$35 a month. On this school \$125 was Almost complete silence prevailed spent. Presumably the remainder,

which there are 29 children. The State board of education will a meeting on the 23d to formulate high school regulations and ed Chairman Payne promptly moved to name the various county boards of education over the State. The board is made up of Governor Ansel, ex-officio chairman; State Superintendent Swearingen, ex-officio secretary: W. K. Tate, Charleston, assistant ecretary; H. F. Rice, Atken; Prof. D. W. Daniel, Clemson College; Prof. A. G. Rembert, Wofford College; A. Banks, Columbia; A. J. Thackston,

Orangeburg. In a statement issued to-day to the press Superintendent Swearingen

says

"The date of the next teachers examination has been set for Friday. May 14. As there will be no county summer school work this year. teachers might find it convenient to take this examination rather than wait for a renewal of certificate already granted. The new boards of school trustees will probably be nunt-

"The reading circle quastions will be sent out on April 14, and teachers (Continued on Page Seven.)

RASH DEED SHOCKS HIGH POINT JUDGESHIP CONTEST NARROWS

Former Resident of Charlotte Puts a Bullet in His Right Temple at His Office in High Point-Locked the Door of His-Office and Lying Down Upon the Floor Takes His Own Life No Cause Known For the Deed-Was Happily Married Recently to a Young Woman of Durham-Th Deceased a Native of Richmond-Had Been Secretary and Treasure of the Atlantic Furniture Company and Was Highly Respected. Special to The Observer.

High Point, April 9 .- The people of High Point were shocked at noon to learn that Mr. J. Lindsay Ferguson, secretary and treasurer of the Atlantic Furniture Company, had committed suicide at his office sometime between 11 and 12 o'clock to-day. The workmen in the finishing room nearby heard the report of a pistol, and on examination found Mr. Ferguson 'ying on the floor, pistol in hand, and bleeding profusely from a wound in door of his office, lay down on the floor and fired the fetal shot, the bullet from a 44-calibre pistol, which he kept in the office all the time, passing entirely through the head and lodging in the wall. Death was evidently instantaneous...

When the workmen found him his planned the act. Mrs. Ferguson and Hav. the family physician hurried to the Against, Ellerbe and Finley, and for scene, but only to find life extinct. Much sympathy is expressed for the wife and other relatives of the de-

The deceased was born in Richmond, Va. He was engaged with Bradthe Lyon agency and afterwards be-Smith Furniture Company. He was \$2 on rough lumber, counted a good business man. Deceased did not leave any message giving currence it is learned that he had It is learned from Greensboro this afment for his health for some time. In fact ever since one side of his face

Mr. John M. Harrell was at his ofabout business and seemed preoccubusiness they went up street together. Mr. Ferguson must have returned to his office immediately and carried out his plans.

The body was removed to the home on Broad street this afternoon where it will be viewed by the coroner. The burial arrangements have not yet been arranged.

Mr. Ferguson was happily married only a few months ago to Miss Lora Lyon, of Durham.

Mr. Ferguson resided in Charlotte or some time, being connected with Bradstreet's agency here. He made many friends while here. A brother, who resides here, survives him.

EX-SEC. HITCHCOCK DEAD.

Member of Cabinet of Presidents Mc-Kinley and Roosevelt Passes Away at Ripe Old Age-Had Been Ill For

Washington, April 9 .- Ethan Allen litchcock, Secretary of the Interior Presidents McKinley Roosevelt, died here this morning at 11 o'clock, aged 74 years. He had been critically ill for several days and his death was not unexpected.

Mr. Hitchcock had been ill for some weeks. He contracted a severe cold while in the West and as his condition became more serious he hurried Washington to place himself in the hands of specialists who had attended him during his official career here. He suffered from a complication of kidney, heart and pulmonary diseases.

His passing marked the close of a career whose pre-eminent feature was an administration of the Interior Department that stirred Western land problems as never before. Brought here from St. Petersburg, where he had served as ambassador under an appointment of a vortex of complications out of vast frauds and charges of fraud and counter-charges growing out of the acquirement of public Western States, Hitchcock directed the most sweepinvestigations, arousing the At the bedside when the end came were Mrs. Hitchcock, the three daughters, Lieutenant Commander Sims and a nephew, George C. Hitchcock, of St. Louis. The body will be taken to St. Louis, where the funeral will be held Monday.

JURY COULDN'T AGREE.

Mistrial in Case Against Louisiana Man Charged With Killing Groom of a Few Hours.

Plaquemine, La., April 9.-At 7 'clock to-night the jury in the case the State against Fabrian F. Bouvy, charged with the murder of Prof. Fred Van Ingen, reported that it was hopelessly disagreed and was thereupon discharged by Judge Schwing. The killing of Van Ingen occurred

on October 3 of last year, while he was scated by his bride of a Yew hours in the chair coach of a Texas & Pacific train, en route to New Orleans. attorneys attempted to show that he was decidedly attached

to Miss Rhorer and that he smarted under the knowledge of a great wrong which Rhorer before his marriage to her. widowed bride testified that she loved Van Ingen, had never loved him as a suitor for her hand.

MAY RETAIN DISPENSARIES J. L. FERGUSON A SUICIDE ODDS ON THE DURHAM MAN. STANDARD'S CASE CONCLUDED.

Brown Said to Be Only Two Really in the Fight For the Plum and the Report is That is Likely Wilmington Delegation to Espouse Cause of George Rountree To-Day—How the North and South Carolina and Virginia Delegations Voted on the Tariff Measure— Southern Patriotism Rampant Over the Lumber and Hide Schedules in the Payne Bill-How Mr. Pou Provoked Applause.

BY H. E. C. BRYANT.

Observer Bureau. Congress Hall Hotel,

Washington, April 9. If my information is correct tohas day. the judgeship contest dwindled to two men, Brown Fuller, with the odds on the Durham A party of Wilmington people will be here to-morrow to call on the President in behalf of George

The North Carolinians, Virginians and South Carolinians who favor a the right temple. He had locked the duty on lumber stood firm to-day and had their votes recorded against all of the amendments offered by Messrs. Tawney and Clark. North Carolinians voted as follows Against the amendments: Webb, Godwin, Thomas and Pou, Democrats, and for them, Morehead, Grant and Cowles, Republicans. The Virginians: Against, Maynard, Lamb, Lassiter, Saunders and Glass. Democrats, and Slemp, Republican for them, Flood, Jones, Carlin and The South Carolinians: Patterson, Aiken, Johnson and Finley.

Henry Clayton, of Alabama, flew the coop to-day. He stood with the umber tariff men the other day in the committee of the whole, but the pressure was so great that he described to-day. He could not stand being witted about being chairman of the

The Southern Senators, with very few exceptions, will support a bill for It is believed now that the Dingley duty will be

UNDERWOOD UNEARTHS JOKER. Southern patriotism was rampant in the House of Representatives this when the lumber and hide for discussion. Nine North Carolinians and seven Virginians voted the Tawney amendment, which provided for free rough lumber, and were ready to vote for Scott's 10 per cent, on hides until Oscar Underwood, a very astute statesman of Ala-

bama, exposed a "joker"-a real live joker-in the proposed measure. eration several months ago, he has carolina and Virginia the average clitzen is suspicious of the "Yankee," whose residence is no longer confined fice about 10 o'clock this morning. He to the East and North, but extends to the West, especially the Northwest, was complaining about being blue and as the ear of the Southern mountain-bred mule lifts at the sight of a pled. In fact, he had the door of his knot-hole in a bridge, the distrust of office locked when Mr. Harrell arthe man from Dixie swells when
the man from dixing north of the courted by his friends north of the Dorsett, of this pla-Mason and Dixon line or west of the the postmastership at a salary Mississippi. After twenty-nine Demo- \$1.500 per year to become mayor of crats, led by Henry Clayton, a loyal Spencer at \$25 per year.

wershiper of the Peerless One, stood and were counted against free lumber, caused a surprise in political circles, the Western hide men took courage. in which Mr. Dorsett has been promhides

the following amendment: "Hides of Mr. Dorsett will step down and out cattle, raw or uncured, whether dry, of the postoffice. salted or pickled, 10 per cent, ad valorem."

minority side who had voted to kill the Tawney amendment. But, in the course of the debate, it developed that "hides" weigh "twenty-five pounds and more" and "skins twenty-four pounds and less." Therefore, when Mr. Underwood sounded this note of warning: "The courts have held that any hide weighing less than twentyfive pounds was a skin," the members from the Old Dominion and the Old North State perked up their ears. FRIENDS OF THE STEER INDIG-

NANT. "That decision," said Representative Page, who was a vigorous advocate of a tariff on hides, "would let out every hide in my district, and against the people and a flagrant sop

to the octopus." The fat was in the fire. Friends of he Southern steer, the one that Sena- 6 o'clock to-morrow morning. tor Vance used to describe, with his evening the canal officials entertained small, round belly, long horn and Mr. Roosevelt at dinner at the Suez slender legs, made for racing, were canal residence.

up in arms. 'Why, the 'hide' or 'skin' of the biggest steer in Cumberland country would not weigh more than twenty- J. H. Shelton & Son. of Washingfive pounds. I shall not vote for any such bill," said Hannibal Godwin.

An impromptu indignation meeting was held in the cloak room of

ranting. 'We don't have lumbering steers in my district," sald Page, "but there is no sweeter meat, nor finer Mr. skin than that of the Moore county

enmity of powerful political interests. a duty on the big steer hide, from Taylor, who was charged with but would let the 'skin'-the North was discharged this afternoon, Carolina hide-from which the shoe of the dude is cut, come in free. I six days. will never do it. No, sir. That is sec tional legislation. I will stay until Christmas before I see it pass." Godwin, Pou, Thomas and Small walked the floor while Page charged

Maynard, Jones and other Virginians were interested but silent. POU PROVOKES APPLAUSE.

"Being a member of the ways and means committee," said Pou, rising en his tiptoes to get a good start, "I shall protest. It was down in one of the counties of my district that a buil—a little feflow whose hide would be called a skin by the Republicansoutran a Seaboard Air Line passenger train for ten miles, dashed on bridge, fell sprawling, was rendered helpless and hurled from the track of the razor-back hog, was about to to be second lieutenants in the coast by the heartless engine, which had be handed a lemon, but the trick was artillery corps: thrown upon the shoulders of Col. bevine, which Bill Nye used to love to ginia; William Skinner Fulton, William Watlington, a famous Confederate war veteran, who sat fishing

on the banks of Sandy run. This was followed by applause on which they attempted to This was followed by appliause on splited in a complete victory for the Van Ingen had done Miss the North Carolina side for every Tar little aristocratic steer, with his fine Heel there had heard of the decision of the court in the case of Wathington Railroad, in which it was held Bouvy, but had repeatedly rejected that the old soldier should have sued the bull as it was on account of his it lasted

Counsel For the Defense in the Gov ernment Dissolution Suit Complete Their Addresses—Government Concludes To-Day - Resenthal Says Testimony is Incompetent.

St. Louis, April 9.-The Standard Oil lawyers more than made good their promise to the court to complete their arguments to-day in defense of the government's suit to have the corporation dissolved as a Sherman law violator. John G. Johnson, of Philadelphia, completed his address, following Mr. Rosenthal, 30 minutes before the usual time for adjournment.

The court asked Mr. Kellogg, the government's attorney, if he wished to take advantage of the half hour in which to commence his replying argument, but the Federal lawyer said he would rather begin his ad- yers as well as citizens declare the dress in the morning, promising to affair was an outrage. finish by the usual closing time. That will end the hearing. The court will then take the case under ad-visement but it is not expected that decision will be announced before next fall.

Ninety-five per cent. of the government's evidence was incompetent and sum and said they would sue. if judged by the A B C's of the rules of evidence would be thrown out, Mr. unfair competition affecting only 37 towns had been introduced, he said, while the company serves 37,000 'Nor has it been shown that towns. a single firm or competitor has been forced out of business because of our competition," he added.

John G. Johnson, of Philadelphia, followed with the concluding argument for the defense, discussing both the law and the facts.

PRESIDENT HEARS PROTESTS.

Importers of Fruit Claim That Increase in Duty on Lemons Will Leave American Growers in Absolute Control-Protest Against Increase on Gloves and Hosiery.

Washington, April 9 .- President Taft heard protests to-day against rubtly hung up the receiver, saying Denver convention and opposing free the increased duty on gloves, hosiery, pineapples and lemons, provided

the Payne tariff bill. State Senator Travis and John Mc-Cormick, of Brooklyn, N. Y., representing importers of fruit, told the President that the increases on pineapples and lemons would have to b borne by the common people. increase on lemons, which it was declared amounted to 20 cents a box, would practically be prohibitive and schedules of the Payne tariff were up leaves American growers in absolute control of the market.

Kenneth Barnhart, representing one of the largest department stores in Chicago, accompanied by Francis and Edward D. Winslow. also of Chicago, protested against the duty on gloves and They were presented to the hosiery. President by Secretary of the Treasury MacVeagh.

WOULD RATHER BE MAYOR.

\$25.

Special to The Observer. Spencer, April 9 .- Postmaster J. D.

The announcement here The Payne bill provides for free inent for several years. The munici-Mr. Scott, of Kansas, offered pal election is to be held in May, when

Already there are a number of kandidates in the field for appointment, This seemed well to those on the among them being J. R. Dorsett, T. J. Rosemond, J. P. Crowell, H. G. El-

more and D. B. Greenhill. ROOSEVELT AT PORT SAID.

steamer Admiral, with Theodore they say, that conditions for him on Roosevelt and the members of his this aide of the Atlantic are against party on board, arrived here at 6:35 him. o'clock this evening.

There was no official reception here to the former President, F. K. Watson Pasha, first aide-decamp to the Khedive, accompanied by to-day, but he refused to receive any would be an unjust discrimination the American consul, Mr. Iddings, one. Jacquies D. Schnegg, the American boarded the Admiral and greeted Mr. Roosevelt on behalf of the Khedive. sought an interview with the ex-The Admiral will enter the canal at President but without avail.

CONTRACT IS AWARDED.

ton, Will Restore Jeff Davis' Name to Cabin John Bridge Tablet.

Washington, April 9 .- J. H. Shelton & Son, of Washington, D. C., were House and North Carolinians and to-day awarded the contract for re-Virginians gave vent to their outraged storing the name of Jefferson Davis one of the symptoms of his affice feeling. The Representatives from the to the tablet on Cabin John bridge, President McKinley, Mr. Hitchcock feeling. The Representatives from the to the tablet on Cabin John bridge, was almost immediately plunged into sand hill counties did most of the from which it was removed during Their bid was \$147.75. 1862.

big work must be completed by May 15. Murder Charge Dismissed,

Birmingham, Ala., April 9 .- After eer.

a preliminary trial lasting two hours
"Those Western fellows would put before Judge Abernathy, Mrs. Bertha which the poor man's brogan is made, murder of her husband by poisoning. was in jail, with a six-weeks-old baby,

> negligence that he was knocked headforemost in the creek. "I cannot sit here and let the cattle

of my district be hit such a blow, added Mr. Pou. The Scott amendment had smooth sailing until Mr. Underwood exposed day, he said: "I die with Christ." the joker and then it began to lag. "We could strike out the word 'hide'

bamian. General Keifer, of Ohio, putting in, declared that the amendment dis-criminated against "the little brogan

and substitute 'skin,' " -said the Ala-

shoes" of the farmer. The light was dawning. The Southern skinflint steer, the side-partner seen outclassed in a fair race, and so apparent that the friends of the write about, could see it. As the discussion progressed the opposition grew and waxed warm. The vote resulted in a complete victory for the skin, and a setback for the coarsegrained, big-boned steer of the

with his thick hide.

PRICE FIVE CENTS. SEIZED JUDGE'S EFFECTS

LAWYERS SECURE ATTACHMENT

of United States Circuit Judge W. B. Sheppard at Atlanta Invaded and Dismantled, While He Was Away, by an Attorney, a Constable and a Force of Negroes—Suit Had Been Filed Against the Judge by the Attorney For a Negro, Who Was Struck by an Auto Driven by Jurist's Secretary-Atlanta Lawyors and Ottizens Indignant Over Affair.

Atlants, April 9 .- A special meetng of the Atlanta Bar Association has been called to make what reparation it can for the invasion and dismantling of the home of United States Circuit Judge W. B. Sheppard under a writ of attachment. Law-

A month or more ago the jurist's secretary was driving Judge Sheppard home, when the car hit a negro. The judge claims he was not negligent but agreed to pay the injured man's bill and give him \$50. The attorneys for the negro refused to accept this

Instead of filing an ordinary suit, they waited until late yesterday evening and swore out a ment. One of the attorneys, accom-panied by a constable and a force of negroes, went to the judge's home and found Mrs. Sheppard alone with her children, one of them a baby of only six months. At once they began to seize everything in sight and loaded it on drays. They took all the furniture except the beds, the clothing of all the members of the family, the trunks the little ones. the trunks and even the toys of

All the time, Mrs. Sheppard was pleading with the men to wait until her husband returned, but they re-Will fused to listen and she says they were both rough and insolent. Next Mrs. Sheppard telephoned to the lawyer. the negro, but as soon as she explained who she was, she says he abhe talked business with men only. Judge Sheppard was in court this afternoon and openly and bittely denounced the treatment he had received as not only outrageous, but as an attack upon the dignity of the United States Court.

TO EXPEL CASTRO AT ONCE.

Former President of Venezuela, Will Be shipped to Europe on First Vessel Touching at Fort de France by French Government-State De-partment at Washington Gratified. Washington, April 9 .- The French overnment has informed the State Department of its determination to

put into effect immediately the de-

cision announced yesterday from Paris to expel former President Castro, of Venezuela, from Fort de France, Martinique, and compel him to return to Europe. The programme is to put him aboard the first vessel touching at Spencer's Postmaster Will Give Up Fort de France. If this programme \$1.500 Job to Accept One Paying is carried out, Castro will be on his way to Europe in a day or two, unless

his physical condition is such that an

ocean trip at this time would put

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his life in leopardy.

of scheduled to touch at the Martinique port, Europe bound, is the French line ship Versailles, due there to-morrow. State Department officials are much gratified at the manner in which the French government has acted in the matter and feel relieved that Castro is to be sent back to Europe, where he will have no immediate influence in the affairs of Venezuela, in which country his personal following is believed to be considerable and might have a tendency to unsettle the peace-

able condition of affairs which, now prevails there. Some of the prominent officers of the government are disposed to look on Castro's reported setback with suspicion, taking the ground that it may No Official Reception. But American be a clever ruse designed by him to Consul and Khedive's Alde-de-make it appear that a refurn to Camp Boarded Ship and Welcomed Europe is necessary to obtain surgical the Ex-President.

Port Said, Egypt, April 9.—The is to "save his face." He realizes,

> Refuses to Talk. Fort de France, Martinique, April but 9 .- Numerous requests for an audience were made upon Senor Castro can vice and deputy consul, thrice

> > F. MARION CRAWFORD DEAD.

Novelist's Last Words Were, "I Enter Serenely Into Eternity"-Death Came Peacefully After a Long Ill-Sorrento, Italy, April 9 .- F. Marion

half-past 7 o'clock to-night, Mr. Crawford had been ill for some time, tions being fevers which tended greatly to weaken him. Death came peacefully and while

his entire family was at the bedside, except his eldest son, who is in the far East. Until this afternoon the patient retained consciousness, but apparently he knew that the end was near and with calmness he encouraged his family to bear up and to cease weeping. The novelist's last words were: "I enter serenely into eternity."

Sadly he expressed the presentiment that he was soon to die, but almost immediately afterwards, when referring to the approaching Good Fri-Mr. Crawford's daughter, at his request, then read to him Plato's dialogues, the novelist declaring that they taught him serenity in death,

Washington, April 9 .- Among the nominations sent to the Senate today were the following from civil life Robert Nichols, of Vir-William

low, of Tennessee. Negro Lynched by Angry Farmers. Hopkinsville, Ky., April 9 .- Ben "Booker" Brame, a negro, 18 alfas years old, was lynched to-day formers for attempting to The fight was fast and furious while Miss Ruth Gee, 17 years old, daughter William Gee, a farmer,

Louisiana, and Edward Francis Bar-