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MORSUEAD WAS NOT CONSULTED

Republican State Chairman not Even Advised of President's Intention to Appoint J. J. Britt to Important Office.

APPOINTMENT OF MR. BRITT **RECOGNITION MAN'S WORTH**

The Star, Administration Paper, Says Pressure to Take Care of Various Lame Ducks in Different States Was Resisted

> Gazette-News Bureau, Hamilton Hotel, Washington, Dec. 2.

North Carolinians here were decidedly interested in the announcement that Hon. James J. Britt had been third assistant postmaster general. The position came by way of reward for distinguished legal ser-

vices rendered the department.

The Star, regarded as the spokes man for the administration in many matters, explained that the appointment was in line with the policy of the postmaster general to promote worthy and meritorious subordinates and that pressure to take care of various lame ducks in different states was resisted.

When a representative of The Gazette-News called upon Mr. Britt shortly after noon yesterday and told his rumored appointment the news had not reached him officially and the Asheville man awaited with more or less patience the arrival of the afternoon papers. Following the publication scores of department officials and others called to offer con gratulations. Mr. Britt will now serve this great branch of the government in an executive capacity rather than in an advisory position and the responsibilities and honors

Important Position.

The third assistant postmaster gen eral supervises the work of half a important bureaus, including those of finance, money orders, regis-tered mails and classification of mails. The public is directly interested in this bureau, affecting as it does the newspapers and magazines of the newspapers and magazines of the country and it was his legal work in private conference room where any this connection that first attracted the attention of the president and post-master general. Other North Caro-

rather remarkable that the president ple court building at once. did not even show Chairman Morehead the courtesy of advising him of his intention of appointing a North Carolinian to a position so important. Mr. Britt was not expecting such promotion at this time. His name been mentioned in connection A with the position a year or more ago but of late months nothing had been heard of the matter.

W. A. H.

has been in this section for a few days, left this afternoon for Washing-MEAT PRICES CONTINUE TO DROP IN NEW YORK

Brown. It will be recalled that the Dealers Express Opinion That the Deof confirmation by the senate and that cline is Likely to Continue time. The same report that had Mr.

for Some Time.

New York, Dec. 2 .- Meat price continue to drop in New York mar-kets, both wholesale and retail. Dealers express the opinion that the de-

Flood Condition Becomes Serious.

Paris, Dec. 1 .- Flood condition Immenee damage has been done as a result of the heavy rains. The floods will have a serious effect upon next year's cereal and wine crops.

Ecclesiastics Forbidden to Occupy Administrative Posts.

Rome, Dec. 2.—Official bulletin of noly see publishes a papal decree for-oldding ecclesiastics to occupy admin-

"Retire! Never," Says Mr. Tillman, "Till I'm Buried"

Washington, Dec. 2.—"Retire!" ex- here here four or five days. He resigned to become general manager of turns to South Carolina next week but the Brazilian railway in Brazil. E. H. I guire. "I shall not retire until they counts upon coming back to Washing-try me: I have no idea of quitting ton in January, when the real business. quirs "I shall not retire until they my me: I have no idea of quitting a game."

The South Carolina senator, who arreed 'oday from South Carolina, was his committee room at the capitol d sppeared as vigorous as before was stricken down by a severe illes at the last session of congress, after Tillman expects to remain to think about besides himself.

First Woman in

dicted in Georgia, Also Indi-

viduals-Allegations.

existed in connection with Miller. Dates

are given when the individual defen-

grain over lines named at rates less

than those on file with the interstate

Offices of Board of Trade and Retail

Merchants Have Been Moved-To

Be Fixed up in Day or Two.

The board of trade and Retail Mer

moved and it is expected to have ev

ies will have two very attractive rooms

member of either body may come

Congressman John G. Grant, wh

ton to be present at the opening of congress Monday. Before leaving, Mr.

Grant, according to friends, denied that he was a candidate for the posi-

on of collector of internal revenue

for the western North Carolina dis-trict, to succeed Collector George H

appointment of Harry Reynolds failed

Grant an applicant representing the

Morehead wing, also had Congress

the Duncan wing of the party.

Editor of the Gazette-News:

without notice, taking off \$150

church money. He paid none of it

back, giving no inclination to do so.

Freezing Temperature in Florida. New Orleans, Dec. 2,—Freezing tem

perature was reported this morning

ing frosts at Jacksonville and Mobile.

aldermen, and upon petition of the residents of the street, the name of

Border street was changed to Wash-ington road.

chants association will have

dants is is alleged made shipments of

dividuals indicted.

commerce commission.

COMMERCIAL BODIES

VIOLATED CHARGE Miss Graynelia Packer Now on High Seas Ticking Off Messages. Coast Line and Seaboard Railways In-



New York, Dec. 2 .- The first woman in this country to enter the field members of the Asheville of wireless telegraphy is now on the high seas, ticking messages through the air as well as any man.

The woman is Miss Graynelia Packer, 22 years old, and the steamship is the Mohawk, of the Clyde line, which HAVE NICE OFFICES now is on its way to Charleston and

of activity hitherto occupied exclusively by men, but she is quick to assert that she has no sypamthy with a ecent statement of Dr. Sargent of Harvard, who declared it to be a scientific fact that women are growing more like emn and men like wo

quarters in the Temple court building when the present repair work is comleted. The offices have already been erything in good shape in a day or so. The rooms are being kalsomined, scrubbed and painted. The two bod-

The larger room will be used by the ecretary of the board of trade and the secretary of the Retail Merchants One Point to Another, Caught

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their iriends and business associates master general. Other North Carolinians have held this position, includling Daniel Coleman, under Martin being disturbed. This is quite an atlog Daniel Coleman, under Martin being disturbed. This is quite an atlog Jackson county. It seems that Mr.
Buchanan and Lincoln, and Kerr it is hoped that considerable use will be made of it.

The large signs over the present

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Austin to Greenhorn in Oregon, on

November 29 when he from Austin to Sylva for burial.

058.16-School Fund Deficit.

ple are more than usually

man Cowles an applicant representing Total .. Disbursements ..\$21,879.37 Minister's Character Failed to Pass Deficit .

Fatal Freight Elevator Accident

factory here. Frank Anderson, 22, and Joseph Atback, 15, crushed un-At a recent meeting of the board of

Traverse City, Mich., Dec. herself and child in the water

Macon Ga , Dec. 2 .- H. D. Pollard.

Wireless Room SCHOOL CHILDREN TO SEE THE BIRDS

Poultry Association Decides to Send Them All Tickets for the First Day of the Show.

VOTE FOR OFFICERS OF STATE BRANCH OF A. P. ASSOCIATION

Pinal Business in Preparation for This Year's Show Transacted by the Association Last Night.

At a meeting of the executive committee of the Asheville Poultry and Pet Stock association, held last even-ing in City hall following a regular was made and carried that the assowas made and carried that the asso-ciation set aside Thursday, December 8, the first day of the 1910 show, as "School Children's Day." This is the first time that the association has adopted a policy obtaining in other associations, notably, the Guilford as-sociation, and while some of the sociation were skeptical of the result. the majority believed that such a move would attract much attention to the annual show, especially among children, who, in a few years will become chicken-raisers and more than probably members of the association At any rate the association last night decided to experiment with "Chil-Jacksonville.

Miss Packer expresses pleasure at being the pioneer of women in a field of activity hitherto occupied exclusively by men but she could be and the teachers of the grades, to the style of the schools and the teachers of the grades, to the style of the grades. white children of the public schools that they may have an opportunity to attend a chicken show free and pas judgment on the many fine birds that will be shown at the annual exhibition The free distribution of tickets will include all the white children of the public schools of Asheville, the young ladies of the Normal and Collegiate institute and the Home Industrial These tickets of admission will of course be good for only one day—the first day—which will be Thursday and which the association

> sociation personally and on behalf of the several thousand school children Mr. Tighe will distribute the tickets to

the various principals of the buildings who in turn will give the tickets to

each of the grade teachers for distribution among the children including

the kindergartners. Mr. Tighe said

that he believed that the association

had made a wise move in admitting

the school children and that he was

certain the inspection of 1000 to 1200

Main street, known as the Asheville

of the association for service during

a portion of the day and evening and the other six to serve the remainder

It is expected that there will be on

exhibition when the show opens this year between 1000 and 1200 thor-

oughbred chickens and that the show

in every particular will be a crown-

ing success. The members of the association are all working to make the

show the "show of the south" and they believe that it will be a credit

not only to Asheville but to western

The judge selected for the show thi

The show will open Thursday morning, December 8, and will con-

exhibition must remain in the show room until the closing of the show.

Opposition Meets Defeat.

Ottawa, Ont., Dec. 1 .- Opposition's

Twenty-three Days to Christ-

Get Grandpa's Present Be-

North Carolina.

roughbred chickens by the

Augustus Peek, Attempting to Go from the public schools, expressed his ap-preclation of the association's action and extended his thanks to the as-

in Raging Blizzard.

Sylvia, Dec. 2,-News has been re was caught in a fearful blizzard and ucation evidently becoming exhausted fell to the ground and froze to death. Mr. was the son of Montgomery Peek of Montgomery township, Jackson county, and bore a splendid rep-utation. The body will be shipped

COUNTY TREASURER'S REPORT

General Fund for Month Ending No vember 30 Shows Deficit of \$8,-

County Treasurer T. M. Duckett's eport of the county finances on Deember 1, shows deficits both in the general and school funds. This is accounted for by the fact that the peowith their taxes and by the further fact that the disbursements were very heavy during November. The report

Balance on hand Nov. 1. . \$ 2,155.27 of the time. Receipts during November, 11,665.94

School fund: 8,058,16

Balance on hand Nov. 1....\$ 141.00 Elizabeth City, N. C., Dec. 2,— Character of L. N. Booth failed to pass North Carolina conference. He Receipts during November. . 1,020.50 Total eft the work of the Chowan circuit isbursements\$2,307.19

Deficit 1,145.69

Philadelphia, Pa., Dec. 2.—Two der the wreckage.

Mother and Baby Found Dead.

Frank Ruthardt, a prominent far-mer, found the bodies of his wife and baby in a deep well on his farm to-

H. D. Pollard Resigns

attack on naval program of the Canadian government ended in defeat at 3 o'clock this morning after a nine days' debate.

Augusta, Ga., Dec. 2.—Temperature records for the senson were broken this morning when the mercury dropped to 25. Sandy Stuart, an aged negro, was found frozen to breath.

Small Chance ATTORNEY ABEL Wendling Has

Strong Evidence Against Man Charged with Murdering 8 Year Old Girl.



JOSEPH WENDLING

Louisville, Ky., Dec. 2 .- "If I killed the little girl no one saw me but God, and He can't come down and testify." With the testimony of Chief of Detectives Carney of Louisville that Joseph Wendling had made the foregoing statement immediately after his gram. arrest in San Francisco, the prosecucharged with having murdered eight case yesterday. The words attributed to Wendling by the Louisville officer had proclously been testified to by Detective Sergeant Burke of San Francisco, who assisted in the prosecution of Wendling. Testimony was also given by Mrs. Cora Munos, a milliner of Hume, Mo., to whom Wend-ling paid court while she was visiting relatives at Houston, Tex. The trial made rapid progress yesterday but the closing for the prosecution came sooner than had been expected. Joseph Wendling was cross-exam-

ined this morning. He appeared ner-vous and confused. "Are these yours?" asked the prosecutor, holding up a bloody pair of

athletic trunks 'They are" stammered Wendling. He declared he could not account for the blood stains. Thursday and which the association has decided to set aside as "School Children day."

Supt. Tighe of the tity schools, when informed this more ig that the association had voted to been the doors of the show to all the white children of

The trunks were found in the celiar where the Kellner child's body was

TESTIMONY IS BEING TAKEN IN CRAGGY GASE

On Basis of Figures Shown to Master the Company Cauld Pay out in Five Years' Operation.

the night of November 29 when he ren would be in the nature of an ed- company bankrupt matter was begun this morning before Special Master The meeting of the poultry associa- W. D. Turner in the United States tion last night was for the purpose of court room. The object of the hearing attending to any and all business mat- is to determine the value of the timters before the show dates. It was ber the lands, plant, etc., and the a well attended meeting and harmo-debts owed by the company. It will nious. The final vote for officers of take several days to complete the tes-

American Poultry association was tak-en with the result that the Asheville Several witnesses were examined at dation cast its vote for J. S. Jeff- ness for the company which wishes to reys for president and Mrs. C. B. have the plant operated by the cour Campbell for secretary, Harry E. Cain. was W H. McMullen who was offered who was at one time in the race for as an expert lumberman. Mr. McMul len said that he was a committee of Following the vote for A. P. A. of- the creditors who recently made ar ficers the association gave considers- examination of the property. He tion to the approaching 1910 show which will be held in the basement of spent six days in the examination and the Kindley company's store on South

submitted a report which was introduced today showing that the compa ny had cut over about 425 acres of the skating rink. Twelve floor managers 9423 acres which is covered by a mort-will be named by President Campbell gage of \$87.000. The committee esti mated the timber on the land to be 53,025,000 feet; 45,000 poles, ords of acid wood, 9,468 cords of tan bark. The fire wood and cross ties were not estimated. The committee estimated the total value of the land, marketable lumber, plant, acid wood, railroad, etc., at \$424,741. The cost of getting out the lumber was estimated at \$14.50 and the price which it would probably average at \$23 per thousand feet. The total gross profits for five years operation was estimated at \$340,-606, while the total indebtedness of the company is about \$250,000. Figuring on this basis it was shown that the company at the end of five years' op-erations could pay of it sindebtedness, and have the whole plant free as wel

York, one of the most experienced judges of poultry. The judging will be by score card and every exhibitor when the show ends will be enabled as a result of the score card judging Capt Edwards, who has charge of the Bue Tree railroad, testified that to tell exactly what defects, if any, were found in his fowls. the cost of putting the road in good order from Melton's bridge to Swannanoa would be about \$375; the rest tinue through Thursday, Priday and Saturday and open for the closing day Monday. The show will come to a close Monday night and all birds on ging purposes.

It is understood that during the

hearings the Coxe estate propose to show that the Craggy company has already cut over more than 1000 acres and that the balance will not measure up to the estimates.

Southern Adopts Government's Plan

Montgomery. Dec. 2.—Forecasting big traffic losses if boll weevil revages should get the upper hand the South-ern railway has adopted the United States government's farm demonstra-tion plan effective December on all Southern and allied lines in Alabama and Musissippi.

Julius French Dend.

Cleveland, Dec. 2.-Julius B.

HAS EXPLAINED

Telegram Incident at Raleigh Involving a Prominent Attorney Is Satisfactorily Adjusted.

Gazette-News Bureau. Chamber of Commerce Rooms, Hollemon Building, December 2,

Ed. S. Abel, a prominent Johnston county attorney, appeared in federal court this morning and explained the telegram incident of yesterday in which Judge Connor directed Abel to presented to the court a telegram about his sick wife in order to get a continuance of the case when no such telegram came here. Abel said that his daughter told him over the telephone the fact set out in the telegram and that he wrote the message on a telegraph blank as it was the only convenient paper he had, and that going directly into the court room showed the written message to Judge Connor and District Attorney Seawell without any intention of deceiving them as to the message being a tele-

Judge Connor accepted the enplana tion with the statement that there had years o'd Alma Kellner, rested its that the message as shown was a tel-

WIDOW OF GLOVER ON

Attorneys for LeBlanc Girl, Charged With Murder, Severely Cross-Examined Widow.

Cambridge, Mass., Dec. 2 .- When the trial of Hattle LeBlanc, the girl Glover, was resumed the murdered man's widow was questioned by Atwidow was the same caim person that two great kittens.

faced the hwyer through the trial two great kittens.

yesterday. Considerable time was The vessel ran into "dirt," as the seamen in goin gover her previous tesseamen say, when two hundred miles seamen say, when two hundred miles the shooting. She went to the Glover lions as they humored their house, finding Mrs. Glover in evident through big seas. distress. Later word came over the elephone that Glover was dead. Wit-

stairs, exclaiming: "This is awful," and cried. Mrs. Freeman said she and her usband remained at the Glover house during the search made by the police for Hattle LeBlanc. She never saw a trace of the girl. The LeBlanc girl was found under the bed in the

METHODIST CHURCH, SOUTH, **BEQUEATHED MONEY AND LAND**

Six Hundred and Thirty Acres and \$10,000 Left by Dr. Simmons for Superannuated Ministers.

San Antonia, Tev., Dec. 2-Six hundred and thirty acres of valuable farm land in Oak county, Texas, and \$10,000 in cash, are left by the late vide homes for superannuated minchurch, south.

Steamer North Western on Rocks.

Seattle, Wash., Dec. 2 .- The Alaska teamship company's North Western, is hard and fast on North Western, is hard and fast on rocks at Falz Bay, San Juan Island, going on at almost high tide. She has thirteen feet water in forward hold. May be total loss. going on at almost high tide. She has thirteen feet water in forward hold. May be total loss.

Defects Will Be Remedied

Washington, Dec. 2.—Defects in the administration of the New Orleans custom houses will be remedied by the treasury department, as a result of criticisms by the Federal grand jury after investigating importation of laces and embroidery there

Bishop Williams Dead.

Richmond, Va., Dec. 2.—The Right Rev. Chr. ining Moore Williams died this morning in a private hospital, following a two years' illness. Dr. Williams was formerly an Episcopal bishop of Japan. He was \$2 years old.

Two shots went wild and an angry cry came from the lion as the third shot ripped a toe from one of his forepaws. Three more shots were fired by the second officer, but the lion still stood there, all three bullets have ling flown wild.

The third officer raised his pistol, but a heavy lurch of the vessel sent him sprawling against a transom. As old.

LION LOOSE ON BOARD STEAM

Breaks Cage on Deck of the Berkenfels on Way from Bombay and Kills Sailor During Storm.

KING OF BEASTS" WHEN **WOUNDED LEAPS INTO SEA**

appear today and explain why he had Thrilling Experience of Officers and Seamen in Mid-Ocean-The Storm Rages and Lion Roars-Several Men Hurt.

New York, Dec. 2.-The horror of an hour at sea, when in a storm that beat their vessel until it seemed each plunge must be her last, a lion broke from its cage on deck, killed a seaman and took charge until it was driven into the sea by a fusilade of revolver bullets, still lived with the crew of a been no other idea on his part but German freight steamship, the Berkenfels, yesterday as the vessel lay at Quarantine with her decks in order and her spars and houses shining with

soap and paint. Her crew of Lascars shuddered and crept away when they were asked to tell of it as though they could still see their shipmate crushed and dying and could feel the ship leaping in the storm and could hear the roaring of

the great beast.
It was Henry Petker, second officer.

who told the story.

The lion, with another, its mate was taken aboard at Bombay. The heavy oaken cage containing the an-imals was lashed in the after well at the break of the poop, and in the fair weather that favored the steamship until two weeks ago neither lior showed signs of dissatisfaction with charged with murdering Clarence F. its quarters. Although they had come Glover, was resumed the murdered to maturity in the freedom of an East Indian jungle the beasts seemed docile torney Johnson for the defense. The and contented and spent their time widow was the same calm person that sleeping in thir cag or playing like

timony in the murder case and consouth and west of Bermuda two week test over Glover's will, but she clung ago and the lions became restive. Al test over Glover's will, but she clung ago and the lions became restive. All tenaciously to her previous testimony. Of one tempestuous day they roared mrs. Glover was followed on the witness stand by one of her intimate of the day found one of them cowerfriends, Mrs. George J. Freeman. On the afternoon of teh shooting she accompanied Mr. and Mrs. Glover and the afternoon of teh shooting she ac-companied Mr. and Mrs. Glover and at the wooden bars. The ship's car-Hattle in an automobile to a football penter sounded the cage fastenings game. Mrs. Freeman returned to her and reported all well, and Captal home and early that night heard of Frederich and his officers forgot Line

Faces Gray with Fear, Captain Frederich's crew above ness said Mrs. Glover sat down on the decks were all Lascars in charge of a native lerang who did not spare his driving, although the faces of his men were gray with fear.

It was while Captain Frederich was clinging to the bridge apron and bawiing into the forward well through & trumpet that a group of the Lascars who were securing a spare chain un-Glover house the night after Glover's der the fore-castle head, suddenly funeral. last man to vanish pointed in that direction and saw a sight that shook all his seaman's courage. At the break of the poop, its body quivering with snaris, stood one of the lions above the body of a native sailor. It required only a glance to tell Mr.
Petker that the man was dead.
Day was waning and if the lion

were not caught or killed before darkness the likelihood of the vessel riding out till morning with no sea-men to serve her decks was too slight to merit a second thought. Mr. Pet-ker and the first and third officers dashed below and came on deck with their revolvers. They crawled at leaving Captain Frederich and a sign gle quartermaster on the bridge

With their breath whistling in their teeth the marksmen stationed them selves behind ventilators and boats and opened fire. In the failing light and opened fire. In the failing the lion stood like a thing of steel well and night were to descend, with it slinking in shadows it would present no mark at all. At a nod from his two subordinates the first officer raise

ed his weapon. Even at that mo discipline exerted its silent habit.

Shot Causes Angry Cry.

There were three shots in quick si cession, sounding like taps of a pen above the howling wind in the corage. Two shots went wild and

Never Owned Hat in Her Life, Says Mrs. Goldstein

Deaver, Col., Dec. 2.—Mrs. David as never having owned a hat. In a maintenance suit against her know Get Grandpa's Present Be- French, aged 73, of New York, a Goldstein, a wealthy junk dealer's maintenance suit member of the board of directors of the American Locomotive company, the United States who goes on record would not allow he