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ered in the market town will bring him $17.80. At the very lowest estimate the cost of cultivation is six cents a pound, amounting to $10.65 per acre, which leaves $7.12 per acre, but out of this must come the cost of picking, ginning, bagging, ties, expense attending marketing, and if put in the hands of a commission merchant for sale, his commission, all of which would take the odd $2.12, and leave the planter about $5 for his acre of cotton. A hundred acres, a pretty fair sized cotton patch, would give him $500 for his year's work, for interest on capital invested in land, stock and implements, to pay taxes, pay debts, and feed and cloth his family. How long would it take the average cotton planter to have any money in his pocket that he could call his own with such a showing as this?

But this is about the way it pans out and the way it will continue to pan out while the all-cotton delusion continues to delude. Raising almost anything marketable would pay better than that, even raising 'possums. As we see it we believe we'd rather take our chances on 'possums.

## MINOR MENTION.

Gen. Alger, of Michigan, who seems to be very anxious for the nomination of Blaine does not make any bones about telling how Blaine [illegible] and what his intentions are. [illegible]e General be correctly reported [illegible]ne has been so nettled at the [illegible]sistent efforts of Harrison's [illegible]nds to make it appear that his [illegible]lth was hopelessly shattered, that he would have resigned from the Cabinet last summer, but was dissuaded by his friends from doing so. He then decided to resign later, after the elections, and go to the Bermudas to recuperate, but the Chilian episode occurred to prevent that and caused him to go to Washington instead. Gen. Alger met him in New York; on his way to Washington, where Blaine explained to him why he returned to Washington, why he would not resign, and stated that he would remain in the Cabinet unless Harrison by some unexpected move forced him to resign. He believed that this was the right course for him to pursue, and to say nothing about the nomination, but gave Gen. Alger distinctly to understand that if tendered to him he would accept it. Gen. Alger and his friends are making their arrangements accordingly to boom Blaine, with the expectation that Gen. Alger will get the second place on the ticket with [illegible]im, and in the event that Blaine's health or anything else should prevent him from entering the contest, hoping to receive the support of Blaine's friends for himself. Alger has a pretty loud-buzzing bee in his bonnet, and in addition to this he has a pretty full "bar'l" which he will not hesitate to open either to secure the nomination or an election, if nominated. Among his most hustling supporters are the pension agents who will chip in liberally to help him through.

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Some women are timid and some are not. Some medical students in a Chicago boarding house concluded one evening last week that they would have some fun and test the courage of a young lady boarder, so they purloined a skeleton which had been doing duty in the college, dressed it up neatly in a suit of one of the young men, placed it in her room, and when retiring time came got ready to enjoy the fun. But no expected yell or lamentation came from that female, and when one of the trio stepped up and took a peep through the keyhole, instead of finding a terror-stricken occupant he beheld a serene young lady sitting beside that skeleton, industriously engaged in disrobing it, and cutting the garments up into patches suitable for a crazy built. When she got through she bundled the skeleton up in a sheet and chucked it out the window, having first broken the bones so that it would never again be fit for duty in a college or as a scareist.

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The Baltimore *Manufacturers' Record* notes that the reports of many leading bankers and capitalists who have lately visited various parts of the South are uniformly favorable as to the splendid prospects of this favored section. Notwithstanding the fact that financial troubles throughout the world have more or less restricted investments and new developments, the South has been forging steadily to the front, every week showing a long list of new enterprises, some of them very important ones, and in the aggregate footing up large sums. The investments of various kinds for the past week amount in round figures to $4,500,000, in addition to which several are noted, the amount of capital invested not being stated. Besides these there are doubtless many small new industries which have not been reported, in which the aggregate capital invested would foot up a very respectable sum.

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Thomas Fortune, colored, editor of the New York *Age*, might make his fortune if he would abandon the newspaper business and devote himself to pursuing the beer schooner. He recently sued a New York beer dispenser for damages for refusing to comply with his request, when thirsty he asked for a schooner, and got a verdict for $825. That is more money than he could earn in two days writing editorials, however colored they might be. And besides this, being refused beer, is a good deal easier occupation than writing editorials, although it may not be ravishingly pleasant when a fellow is right thirsty. Thomas on this occasion must have been very much that way, for he claimed that he was damaged to the amount of $10,000.

Some years ago twenty crazy men organized a suicide club in Bridgeport, Conn. John Kopp, one of the twenty, hanged himself the other day, being the eighteenth to die by suicide. But two remain. Of the eighteen one cannot be accounted for, and the impression is that he went off somewhere, drowned himself and was never found. But the members of the club who lived after him didn't believe that, because they had an aversion to water, and the rules positively prohibited members from killing themselves by taking too much of it.

A Chicago paper asks why it is that beautiful women are rarely found chewing gum. Beautiful women are rarely found in Chicago chewing anything. They're scarce in that town.

## WILMINGTON'S WELCOME WEEK.

**The Drummers' Meeting Last Night—Arrangements Made to Take Part in the Trades' Parade.**

As announced in the STAR a meeting of the travelling men was held at the Gleaves Hardware Co.'s store on Water street, last night at 8 o'clock, there being about thirty prominent travelling men present.

The meeting was formally opened by Mr. Owen F. Love, who nominated Mr. H. W. Malloy for chairman, who was elected. Mr. Isaac Bear was then nominated by W. H. Carr for secretary, and was elected by acclamation.

Mr. Malloy stated that the object of the meeting was to organize the travelling men so that they could take part in the trades parade of the Welcome Week festivities, and to discuss and decide what kind of uniforms to wear, and appoint committees to make arrangements for a fine show.

Mr. Jack Burnett suggested that the drummers should wear in this parade ulsters with capes, silk hats, and carry a satchel in one hand and a colored light in the other.

After some little discussion Mr. W. H. Carr moved that Mr. Burnett's suggestion be adopted, and it was unanimously carried.

Mr. Owen Love moved to appoint a committee of six as a governing committee, to make arrangements and govern the parade, and that the chairman be instructed to appoint them, which was carried. The Chair appointed the following: O. P. Cazaux, Owen F. Love, W. H. Carr, J. L. Burnett, J. McK. Tolar and C. C. Covington, and furnished them the names of as many drummers who were not present as could be thought of, and instructed the committee to call on them at an early date and find out if they would join in the work.

Mr. W. H. Gilbert then nominated Mr. O. P. Cazaux as commander-in-chief of the procession, with instructions to have able assistants to form the parade and manage it throughout.

After a great many suggestions and much talking, on motion, the meeting adjourned subject to the call of the Governing Committee. The ulsterettes will be ordered at once by Mr. I. Shrier. The following are the names of the travelling men who have agreed to take part in the procession and have already given in their adherence:

B. F. French, J. D. Bell, Walker McRae, L. B. Best, Joe Newman, R. H. Cowan, Geo. Strong, J. H. Mallard, W. J. Henderson, A. M. McLean, W. H. Slocumb, Jacob Sternberger, F. L. Covington, A. J. McDonald, C. C. Covington, J. H. Kincey, Will Carter, G. Tanneham, Owen F. Love, L. J. Bear, Henry W. Mallony, W. B. Cooper, J. D. Swinson, I. M. Bear, H. J. Gherken, W. H. Carr, A. W. Middleton, O. P. Cazeaux, B. L. Lee, C. B. Ledbetter, W. D. Pugh, M. W. Jacobi, J. H. Lewis, W. H. Gilbert, T. H. Thompson, J. N. Jacobi, J. McK. Tolar, J. C. Dunbar, J. L. Burnett.

**The Presbyterian Synod.**

Statesville has been selected as the place for the next meeting of the Presbyterian Synod, now in session at Durham, N. C.

A commission was ordered to try the case of appeal in which Fayetteville Presbytery is appellee.

Hon. T. B. Womack was re-elected one of the Board of Regents of the South Atlantic University.

Rev. P. R. Law made a partial report from the Statesville committee, announcing the deaths of Rev. Geo. W. Ferrell and Rev. J. M. Atkinson, and recommending the holding of special services in their memory and preparing memorial sketches of their lives and labors.

**Cheap Railroad Fares—W. W. W.**

The Seaboard Air Line will sell tickets to the Charite Pantes during WILMINGTON'S WELCOME WEEK at the rate of one cent a mile for distances traveled. Tickets on sale November 28th to December 5th, good to return till December 7th. The following rates will govern from competitive points: Abbeville $6, Charlotte $3.75, Cheraw $2.70, Chester $4.15, Greenwood $5.55, Henderson $4.10, Lincolnton $4.40, Maxton $1.75, Raleigh $2.70, Rutherfordton $5.35, Sanford $3.40, Shelby $4.86, Wadesboro $2.70.

**The Failure of S. S. Nash, of Tarboro.**

Capt. S. S. Nash, one of the largest merchants of Tarboro, and well known in this city, where he lived several years in the employ of Messrs. Williams & Murchison, has failed for about $170,000, with nominal assets largely in excess of liabilities.

The Tarboro *Southerner* says the sympathies of all who knew him are extended to him in this time of trial. The same paper says: "He has failed and failed like the man he is. There is no homestead reservation; all, everything, save the household and kitchen furniture at his residence, is conveyed in trust to his creditors—even his watch—and he is to-day without a dollar. He secured the merchants of whom he purchased his Fall and Winter dry goods with perferences, leaving unpreferred his mother from whom he borrowed $6,600, and his father in-law, Rev. Dr. J. B. Cheshire, for $2,000."

The *Southerner* also states that Capt. Nash's failure began from the disastrous year 1889. He was then worth $200,000 and he carried through the troublous times many farmers who would have gone under but for his assistance Failure to collect on these outstanding debts hurried his own failure. He still has the confidence of the business community and will rise surely and successfully, predicts the *Southerner*.

**Tom Thumb's Attendant.**

Mr. Jesse Dicksey, of this city, now in his seventy-fourth year, possesses the distinction of being the body-guard and close attendant of General Tom Thumb when the doughty General was at the zenith of his fame and glory, during 1847–48 and part of '49. In this capacity Mr. Dicksey travelled all over the United States and Cuba. Gen. T. T. had already appeared before the crowned heads of Europe.

Mr. Dicksey says the General, though an adult, was simply a child and, when riding on the cars, would double himself up in his lap and go to sleep. No Mrs. Tom Thumb had appeared on the matrimonial horizon then. His account of P. T. Barnum's seasickness going across to Cuba from New Orleans is quite amusing, though he cured him with oatmeal gruel and received a doubloon for the cure.

Mr. Dicksey has a shirt and pair of pants worn by Tom Thumb, and says he was greatly attached to him.

## PROFITS IN OYSTER CULTURE.

Prof. Brooks, in a lecture on "The Oyster," delivered at the Oyster Packers' Association in Baltimore said:

"In 1888 Mr. Fred A. Gendy, formerly a resident of Crisfield, Maryland, obtained from the State of Virginia a right to cultivate oysters on about sixty-eight acres of bottom in Accomac county, Va. The track lay in Tangier Sound, near the Maryland line, and opposite that part of Smith's island which is in Virginia, lying just south of Horse Hammocks. He planted that year 28,000 bushels of oyster shells, at a cost of about $1,200.

Since that time he has been to the expense of employing a watchman to keep of intruders and his total outlay up to December, 1890, has been about $3,000.

In April, 1890, it was estimated that there were 30,000 bushels of oysters in his beds. The shells were found full of young oysters which were growing rapidly. In December, 1890, it was calculated that there were 35,000 bushels of oysters on the ground worth at least thirty or forty cents a bushel in the market.

**Bound Over for Illicit Distilling.**

U. S. District Attorney C. A. Cook came from Lumberton last night, where he had been to represent the Government in the case of Ashley Townsend, charged with illicit distilling, before U. S. Commissioner E. K. Proctor.

Messrs. Rowland and McLean appeared for Townsend.

The evidence disclosed sufficient cause for believing that Townsend had run an illicit distillery in the swamp, eight or nine miles from Lumberton, and he was bound over to the Federal Court, which meets in Wilmington on the first Monday in July, 1892.

Benj. L. Cox was heard on the same charge, and the evidence being insufficient, he was discharged.

## GRAND FOX CHASE.

**A Brave Old Veteran Affords Fine Sport for Members of the W. F. C.**

Many were to meet, but few responded (only three) to roll call on Wednesday evening at 5 o'clock, and as the shades of evening were rapidly approaching, we bounced into our saddles and moved quickly to the kennels of the "Wilmington Fox Club," and opened the doors to thirty-two of as fine hounds as ever jumped in the bushes. A slow canter, just fast enough to keep the pack well closed up, and we reached Spicer's bay, the old fox-hunting "battle ground," when old "Crowder," who claims the right to gallop in front of all others when we are in the road, bounded to the right, opening for dear life—the whole pack joining him. Then, Mr. Field Editor, you should have been there—'twas music in the air! Round and round the Pearsall house they went like a band of musicians on velocipedes; through the Southerland race track grounds; back to the bay, but never going in it. Standing in the road a short distance from a field which they were crossing and coming straight for us, Reynard bounded out and deliberately stopped and drank water from a pool. Then, throwing his tail in the air defiantly sailed off again. Each of us has our favorite dog and the interest now pultiplies. We watch breathlessly the fence. Here they come almost in the twinkling of an eye, the white head of "Reb" (one of a brace of Irish begals given us by Uncle Ned Glaven) is seen on the top of the fence, but he is pushed closely by "Beauty," "Jimme," and several others. There is no time for breathing; off they go for Southerland's race-track, running it the entire length and followed by one of the excited hunters who yelled at every jump. Then the fox returned to the Pearsall house and circled round it for one hour with the pack gradually gaining on him, and finally surrendered almost under our horses, in ten feet of the road. We were cheered during the chase by the presence of Mrs. Pearsall and the little ones, whose merry laugh and hollas added to the enjoyment.

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# NOTICE.

**This is intended only for subscribers whose subscriptions have expired. It is not a dun, but a simple request that all who are in arrears for the STAR will favor us with a prompt remittance.**

**We are sending out bills now (a few each week), and if you receive one please give it your attention.**

— Mr. G. C. Butler, of Columbus county, was here yesterday.

— Ex-Sheriff E. H. Patterson, of Burgaw, was here yesterday.

— Mr. A. L. Nixon, of Topsail Sound, called on the STAR yesterday.

— Mr. J. A. Carlyle, of Lumberton, is here trading with wholesale dealers.

— Mr. M. Lytch, of Roland, Robeson county, is adding his winter stock here.

— Mr. Hill E. King, of Peanut, Onslow county, was in the city yesterday.

— Mr. W. S. Snipes, of Stedman, was in the city yesterday on a business trip.

— Mr. R. W. Parker, of the *Enterprise*, of Darlington, S. C., was among the visitors in the city yesterday.

— Mr. R. A. Benson, of Brinkland, Bladen county, was a visitor at the STAR office yesterday.

— Mr. W. T. Horne, of Chinquepin, Duplin county, is visiting wholesale dealers.

— Mr. Gibson James, of Maple Hill, Pender county, is adding to his stock in the city.

— Mr. Jno. F. Clark, of Manchester Mills, near Fayetteville, is with friends in the city.

— Mr. H. C. Smith, a merchant of Columbus county, was on a business trip to the city yesterday.

— Mr. W. W. Larkin, of Long Creek, Pedder county, is renewing his winter stock with the wholesalers.

**River and Harbor Improvements.**

The annual estimate of Gen. Casey, chief engineer U. S. A., for river and harbor improvements embraces the following: Ocracoke inlet, N. C., $150,000; of which $100,000 for expendeture in 1892; Pamlico and Tar rivers, N. C., $59,000; Neuse river, N. C. $106,500; inland waters between Newbern and Beaufort, N. C., $57,000; Beaufort harbor, $23,000; water way between New river and Swansboro, N. C., $38,000; Northeast Cape Fear river, $25,000; Black river, N. C., $30,500; Cape Fear river above Wilmington, N. C., $173,000; same river below Wilmington, $1,655,000, of which $300,000 is to be expended in 1892; Yadkin river, N. C., $5,000.

**A Row at Point Peter.**

Some of the excursionists who were in the city yesterday got into a row last night at the Point Peter depot of the C. F. & Y. V. R. R. A messenger was sent to the City Hall asking for police assistance to suppress the disturbance, and Sergeant Flanagan and a squad of officers marched down to the railroad wharf, but there was no boat there to take them over to the depot on the west side of the river and as the disturbance was said to have been quelled, the police officers returned to the City Hall. For some cause the train was delayed in its departure until after 11 o'clock, but the nature of the trouble and particulars of the row could not be learned.

**Annual Meeting of R. R. Co's.**

The Raleigh papers report the annual meeting of the stockholders and directors of the Raleigh and Gaston and the Raleigh and Augusta Air-Line railways in that city Thursday last. President John M. Robinson being absent in attendance at the funeral of his father, Mr. Moncure Robinson, Mr. Enoch Pratt presided in his stead. The stockholders elected the old boards of directors. Mr. Lewis McLean, of Baltimore was elected a director to fill the vacancy caused by the death of Mr. Paul C. Cameron. The directors re-elected Mr. Robinson president and Mr. R. C. Hoffman vice president. The annual statement of the condition of both roads, as made by Mr. Robinson as president and Major Winder as general manager was very satisfactory.

**Cotton for Europe.**

Messrs. Alex. Sprunt & Son cleared the British steamship *Harold* yesterday for Reval, Russia, with 5,121 bales cotton, valued at $197,109. Also, the British steamship *Dunedin*, for Hango, Finland, with 3,800 bales cotton valued at $140,285. Both vessels were loaded at the Champion Compress, where other steamers are taking on cargo, and others still, just arrived, are waiting their turn.

**Stocks of Naval Stores.**

Stocks of naval stores at the ports at the close of the week are reported as follows:

Spirits turpentine—New York, 605 casks; Savannah, 13,774; Wilmington, 2,440; Charleston, 1,850. Total, 18,669 casks.

Rosin—New York, 20,008 bbls; Savannah, 83,996; Charleston, 14,728; Wilmington, 27,307. Total, 146,039 barrels.

Tar—New York, 607 barrels; Wilmington, 580. Total, 1,187 barrels.

## THE MARYLAND BOYS.

### PLEASANTLY ENTERTAINED AT THE CAPITAL CITY.

**Well Pleased With Their Visit—The Grand Ball Wednesday Night—Immense Crowds at the Exposition—The Odd Fellows, etc.**

[*Star Correspondence.*]

RALEIGH, N. C., Nov. 12.—Compared with the exciting events of yesterday and last night, the city, this morning, has the appearance of a country village. Our honored guests have come, they have seen, and, it may be added they have conquered our heartfelt wishes, by their admirable deportment as gentlemen and soldiers. Notwithstanding the immense crowd here during the past thirty-six hours, there has not been what might be termed a solitary breach of the peace.

The troops leave us to-day with regret, as they all declare, and, this is, in all respects, mutual. To say that the visit of the Fifth regiment has been productive of good, but candidly expresses it, both from a commercial and social standpoint. It has cemented, if such were needed, the commonwealths of Maryland and North Carolina, while the business relations of Raleigh with the Monumental City have been more firmly established than ever. It is a most gratifying feature to know, that each and all of the regiment and the civilians with them, go hence with hearts full of praise for the kindness shown them by our entire people.

THE GRAND BALL.

The programme of yesterday wound up last night by the ball at Stronach's warehouse. There were upwards of two thousand persons present, including those who went as spectators. As a social event it eclipsed anything that has ever taken place in Raleigh. Most of the leading society ladies of the city were present, and the brilliant costumes, added to the decorative surroundings, made the scene one of dazzling effect and beauty.

THE CROWD.

It was hard to estimate the crowd. In fact there are but few persons who can, with anything like a just approximation, estimate a promiscuous assemblage. The attendauce on the grounds yesterday has been variously stated—the lowest has been ten thousand, the highest nearly double that number. A fair statement at the highest, might be twelve. These, however, do not by any means include all visitors to the city, hundreds, or perhaps thousands of them did not go out to the grounds at all, having done so on previous occasions. Large numbers came here mainly to witness the *eclat* attendant upon the reception of the visiting military. It is by no means an exaggeration to say that the crowds on the sidewalks during the passage of the procession from the city to the grounds could not have been less than twenty thousand. These, of course, included our resident population.

BLOODED STOCK.

One of the business events of yesterday was the sale of fine blooded stock by Capt. B. P. Williamson. In all respects the prices obtained were satisfactory, and the sales were made in many instances to parties who purchased for the purpose of breeding in different sections of the State. Capt. Williamson is much elated at his success, and promises to extend the business to a great extent in the future. It has certainly proven a source of much profit in this section.

THE ODD FELLOWS.

It is learned, by estimate, this morning, that the Odd Fellows will get about $1,000 as their portion of the proceeds from the receipts at the Exposition yesterday. This is, of course, to some extent guess work, as the sum cannot be definitely ascertained until a settlement is had with the railroads for tickets sold.

THE MARYLAND BOYS.

The town is being painted "red" in an innocent way this morning by the Maryland boys. They are roaming through the streets, firing crackers, blowing horns, beating tin pans, and dressed in all sorts of fantastic style. No interference is made with them, and they are in all respects in possession of the city.

**The Bear Hunter Again on Deck.**

R. J. Armstrong, the mighty bear-killer of Holly Shelter, Pender county, has added another chaplet to his culminatng crown of glories.

He has slaughtered with his old and never-failing gun, "Elizabeth Ann," called for short and endearment "Betsy," the biggest bear whereof the memory of man conceiveth, weighing exactly 402½ pounds by his "buying steelyards."

Mr. Armstrong has a fertile farm, lying on the edge of a ten-mile pocosin, and his hogs will range down in the edge of this swampy place of bear lairs, and bruin delighteth in the succulent juices of pork. This state of affairs keeps hunter Armstrong mad all the time—mad with bears.

This particular bear had devoured twenty-one porkers, and the end was not yet. If he couldn't capture a shoat, bruin would fell and drag off the maternal ancestor of the brood. Swearing a mighty oath of vengeance, the bear slayer said he would bury a bullet in the heart of his porcine purloiner.

So a mighty hunt was set afoot, and about all the dogs in the township and many hunters collected. Just before day Tuesday the dogs were turned loose in the edge of the swamp, and sure enough the big rogue had been looking for fresh meat, but the hogs had been driven up and he was disappointed. His trail was struck, and having long fasted they knew the beast would make a long chase. The dogs trailed him nearly all day and ran him to cover in a thick place late in the afternoon. Twenty-seven big buck loads were poured into the brute seemingly without effect other than to make him snort, shake his head and growl. In the meantime the air was full of dog hair and howls, as the bear would knock the reckless ones into eternal silence. Finally Mr. Armstrong got a fair shot with "Old Betsy" and drove his load into the heart of the big fellow. And he rejoicing in that township is yet in its youth.

**The Raleigh Robbery.**

A telegram to the STAR from Raleigh says that the thieves who robbed Col. Wharton J. Green of money and jewelry at the Yarborough House Thursday night, amounting to nearly $800, were not residents of that city, but doubtless accompanied the visitors from Maryland.

## COTTON MILL FIRE.

**A Factory Near Shelby Destroyed—Loss $30,000.**

[*Special Star Telegram.*]

SHELBY, N. C., Nov. 13.—R. B. Miller's Laurel Cotton Mills, three miles below Shelby, were totally destroyed by fire this morning. Loss $30,000; insurance $15,000. One operator was almost suffocated while making his escape.

## TRAIN ROBBERY.

**An Express Car Plundered Near Chicago—The Robbers Driven off Before They Could Secure Any Booty.**

By Telegraph to the Morning Star.

CHICAGO, Nov 12.—The report of a train robbery near the Western Union Juction has been received by General Manager Earling, of the Chicago, Milwaukee & St. Paul R. R., which states that the safes had been recovered and that the robbers did not get any booty. Report says six men boarded the train No. 3 at Western Union Junction, 62 miles north of Chicago, at 11 p. m., and it is supposed the robbers reached the junction over the Northwestern road. They held up the engineer and fireman and when the train reached Jacksonville, a small station of two or three hundred inhabitants about three miles beyond the junction, they caused the engineer to stop it at the point of a revolver. They then demanded of the express messenger that he open the door to the car, which he refused to do. The conductor came up by this time and he was taken prisoner. The robbers then broke in a window of the car and threw in some kind of explosive, which forced out the end of the car. They then went inside and covered the express messenger with a revolver and tried to make him open the safes. This he positively refused to do, and the safes were then thrown out of the car. In the meantime the rear brakeman, understanding affairs, rushed back to the junction and got help, and an engine and posse at once went to the scene and the robbers fled. The train went on to Milwaukee. The fast mail train which leaves Chicago at 8 o'clock a. m. picked up the safes and carried them to Milwaukee.

The police of Milwaukee, together with the sheriff of Racine county, were sent in pursuit of the robbers. Their flight was so hasty that they did not take the precautions they had evidently intended to take, so that officials believe they will get them before noon to-day.

MILWAUKEE, WIS., November 11.—The midnight train from Chicago, on the Milwaukee & St. Paul Railroad, was robbed near Western Union junction at 1 o'clock this morning. The robbers are supposed to have boarded the train at the junction. As soon as it was well away from the station in the open prairie, they stopped it and broke into the express car. Probably the total amount of booty will amount to $100,000, and possibly more, as the train which was held up was the one which generally carried all the money received by the Milwaukee banks from the East in the morning.

## AN ATLANTA SENSATION.

**Rev. Sam Small Assaulted and Roughly Handled by a Saloon-Keeper in a Barber Shop.**

ATLANTA, GA., November 12.—Rev. Sam W. Small, the well-known evangelist, was assaulted in an Atlanta barber shop to-day by Tom Miner, a saloon proprietor, who has recently been made the object of some very harsh criticisms by Mr. Small. In a public speech in Prohibition Hall, in this city, Small attacked Miner personally, stating that to sell pop-skull liquor on Decatur street, he was neglecting his wife and children and leaving them in penury and want. He continued his reference to Miner in this decidedly personal strain.

Small went into the barber shop today to get shaved, and Miner accosted him, saying that this was the first chance he had had to see him. "Do you know who I am, sir?" asked Miner. Small replied that he did not. With the statement that he was Tom Miner, he assaulted the evangelist, broke his eyeglasses and knocked out one of his front teeth. Bystanders immediately separated them and the trouble ended.

Rev. Mr. Small says it was simply a brutal attack of a thug and if he had expected it he would have been fully prepared, but he was taken completely unawares. He was not hurt enough to prevent his appearance at the rally at Prohibition Hall to-night, where he made a speech, vigorously assailing the liquor traffic and saloon keepers.

Miner says Small's assault on him several days ago was entirely unprovoked and unjustifiable. That he did not make it as a minister, but as a campaign stump speaker, and that it was so outrageously unjust to himself and family, that he determined to resent it as soon as he met Small, which he did to-day.

## EXPRESS CAR ROBBERS.

**$4,000 Secured by the Men Who Plundered a Chicago Train—No Clue to the Thieves.**

MILWAUKEE, Nov. 13.—The most experienced detectives in the employ of the Chicago, Milwaukee & St. Paul R. R., assisted by the sheriff of Racine county and a large posse of men, up to a late hour last night were unable to track the robbers who stole aboue $4,000 from the American Express car, near Western Union Junction. Several clues were followed up by them; none resulting in anything, however. Fireman Averill and conductor Tucker are positive that there were only two men who did the job and not six or more as was originally stated. Two combination safes were found to be intact and had been left behind by the robbers. They were evidently frightened away before they had a chance to blow the safes open. A quantity of nitro-glycerine which they left behind, and which was found near the spot would have been sufficient to open ten more sates equally as strong. One of them was consigned to Minneapolis and the other to Milwaukee, and the other, which the daring men compelled Messenger Murphy to open for them contained money and jewelry aggregating about $4,000.

## TEXAS LYNCHING.

**Two Negroes Hanged by Unknown Parties.**

By Telegraph to the Morning Star.

BRENHAM, Nov. 13.—Information has just been received here of a double lynching that occurred in Jay Hill precinct, this county, Monday night. Sunday night there was a general row at a negro dance at the residence of Jim Hartley, and it is believed that the lynching grew out of this fuss. Monday night, near Blake's crossing on the Yegus, two negroes were hanged, both with the same rope and apparently at the same time, as they were found Tuesday locked in each other's arms, hanging by the same rope. One of the negroes was a stranger in Washington county and was not identified; the other was identified as a farm laborer.

## SPIRITS TURPENTINE.

— Sanford *Express*: Mrs. Fred. Jarrell, of Jonesboro, who was well known here, died yesterday at 3 o'clock p. m.

— Greensboro *Record*: We are informed that a special night police took in the court house on his beat the other night and went to sleep. When he awoke he had been robbed of his billy, pistol and nippers.

— Winston *Sentinel*: A gentleman from Davidson county brought the news to Winston to-day of a sad affair at Tyro Shops Monday night. Mr. William Roberts, an unmarried man about forty years of age and a merchant at that place, committed suicide by shooting himself in the temple. The deceased left no evidence as to what led him to the rash act and the only reason that is assigned by his neighbors was failing health.

— Mr. Arthur B. Clark, president of the Old Dominion Iron and Nail Works, of Richmond, Va., was here Tuesday and went out to Bessemer City. As a result of his visit to Bessemer City, Mr. Clark made a contract with Mr. John A. Smith, general manager of the Bessemer City Mining and Manulacturing Company, for a year's supply of their high grade ore, and the shipment began Wednesday with four car loads.—*Kings Mountain News.*

— Salisbury *Watchman*: At a corn shucking near New London Tuesday night, Jack Furr and Frank Alman quarreled over an old feud. Furr stabbed Alman five times in his shoulders and neck. Alman died in a short while and Furr is at large. —— News reaches us that Big Lick, a village in Stanly county, was swept away by fire last Thursday night. The buildings were mostly frame and the long dry weather had got them in shape for the flames. The loss is estimated at between $10,000 and $15,000.

— Morganton *Herald*: A thief broke into Rev. J. N. Payne's store near the depot, Wednesday night of last week. Mr. Payne, on going to his store Thursday morning, found the front door standing open. A careful search was made and the only thing missed from the store was a gold watch valued at $35.00, which had been left in the showcase. The thief gained entrance to the store by boring two holes through the door and bursting the lock on the inside. No clue to the perpetrator has as yet been found.

— Washington *Gazette*: Mr. Josephus Edwards, the founder of the Edwards Mills, a farmer and a mill man worth ten thousand dollars, and fifty years old, had never been on a steamboat or railroad before last, when he went to the Exposition. —— We believe the two youngest publishers of a newsper in this State are Masters F. T. Phillips and brother, of the *Nut Shell*. The older will be fifteen to-morrow and the younger will be twelve next June. Their paper is just one year old, and is an earnest advocate of the principles which it has espoused.

— Raleigh *News and Observer*: A telegram received here yesterday announcing the death of Mr. Moncure Robinson, father of Mr. John M. Robinson, President of the Seaboard Air Line System, which took place yesterday in Philadelphia. He was 88 years of age and was one of the most distinguished civil engineers ever connected with the various lines of Virginia and Maryland. —— The express companies have arranged their rate schedules in conformity with the requirements of the Railroad Commission and they will be put into effect January 1st. They have been allowed until that time in order to give them an opportunity to publish the new rates and place them in the hands of their agents. —— The Mary Smith-Morehead case has been compromised by the parties interested. The full details of the compromise cannot now be stated, but enough is known to render it certain that the University of North Carolina will receive under its terms between $35,000 and $40,000.

— Newbern *Journal*: All the arrangements have been made for the establishment of a barrel factory in Newbern. The plant will be put in by Messrs. Jones & Co., who have already one in operation at Elizabeth City, and another in Virginia. —— In further evidence of the fine sport in this section, our neighbor, the *Atlantic Seaside*, says that twenty bears have been killed in the vicinity of Stump Sound this season and that they are still plentiful and playing havoc with the hogs and sheep. —— Our townsman, Johnathan Havens, presents the *Journal* with a half peck of his own growth pecans. They are splendid specimens of the nut tribe and they are gaining notoriety for their superiority. They are large, of fine flavor and have a thin and easily broken shell. Mr. Havens has engaged another lot of one hundred young trees to Mr. Wm. Dunn for trans-planting on his farm near the city. The pecan is becoming more popular every year. Besides its value as a fruit-bearing tree, it is of hardy growth and makes a beautiful shade tree.

— Tarboro *Southerner*: Many farmers estimate the damage by frost to the cotton crop at one-third. There were many small bolls on the cotton so injured. The upper portion of these bolls were affected by the frost, and are rotting, while the bottom parts are trying to open. —— Farmers who say that this year is to be another 1889, should remember that besides making more cotton to the acre than then, the corn crop is far better, the peanut crop is five times larger, and the tobacco crop has increased an hundred fold. That is to say, the number of bales of cotton produced in Edgecombe this year will exceed that of 1889. In peanuts there will be five times as many bushels and one million pounds of tobacco instead of one hundred thousand pounds in that disastrous year. —— This morning S. S. Nash made an assignment for the benefit of his creditors. H. L. Staton is general trustee, and J. A. Weddell trustee for closing up the dry goods part of the business. The liabilities are estimated at $170,000, and the nominal assets even larger, though what their actual value is cannot be told yet awhile.

— Weldon *News*: There are about one hundred hands at work on Great Falls canal, eighty-five of whom are convicts. Major Emry thinks the work is nearly half completed and is being pushed as rapidly as possible. Work began about seven months ago, and it is thought the whole will be completed within a year from now, including the construction of the rock dam. —— On Monday morning a fire occurred on one of General Ransom's farms in Northampton county, which destroyed a gin house, engine and seventy-five bales of cotton. Other machinery was also destroyed. The loss is estimated at three thousand dollars, which is said to be covered by insurance. The fire is thought to be of incendiary origin though it is not certainly known how it occurred. —— Wednesday night at Summit, near Gaston, a train was behing hauled up from the latter place. The engine could not pull it all up the heavy grade, so half was taken and put on a siding. Two cars became uncoupled and when the engine went back after the remainder of the train it crashed into these loose cars. Edward Little, a colored brakeman, was so terribly crushed about the head that his brains protruded. Thursday night he died. —— Friday night last burglars entered Major T. L. Emry's residence through a window which had been left unfastened. They went into a room occupied by himself and Mr. Chas. Emry, ransacked the clothing of both of them and took away with them about twelve dollars in money and a watch. Major Emry heard the burglars as they went out, but not suspecting anything of the kind paid no attention to the noise. No clue has been found to the bold thieves.