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PRELIMINARY STEPS AGAINST THE TOBACCO TRUST.

Are President Roosevelt's first steps against the American Tobacco Company to be commenced in the United States District Court at (temporarily, perhaps) to private Wilmington? During the past life with the gratitude and plaudits week United States District Attor- of the people for his educational poliney Harry Skinner, of the Eastern | cy alone, indeed if his splendid ad District of North Carolina, was in ministration had nothing else to Washington, and the correspondent stand upon. of the Raleigh Post says "the belief being that he was summoned upon the fact that Gov. Aycock has to Washington by the Department | been succeded by an equally patriof Justice for a conference with otic, State spirited, able and proreference to the investigation of the gressive man in Governor Robmethods of the American Tobacco ert B. Glenn. It is only nec Company, which the administra lessary to state that the people tion is conducting with the view of of North Carolina have every conmaking out a case for violation of fidence that he will roll up a record the provisions of the anti-trust law" The Post's correspondent Governor's term. In his inaugural says, under date of January 12th:

"Interest in Mr Skinner's visit that he wa- in conference with the attorney general and the interstate commerce commission during the day It is known that Mr. Skinner 1 furnished ne commission with certain da a and that he held quite a lengthy conference with members of the body As was to be expected the district attorney declined to dis use the object of his visit. He co fi ed homself to the simple sta e : e a that he is here on official

" A cale it is practically certain that

Mr Skinner was summoned here with respect othe prosecution of thenly d tooseco trust, his conference -ith members of the inter state commerce commission is not east v . xplained, unless it be that he tur t-hed evidence of some it refere ce to rebates given tmercau l'obacco Company rai roads that operate in the Sou h I've question of rebates has no arisen in the S uth, the offence being confined largely to western railroads, and this idea was scouted in some quarters to-day. The interstate commerce commission has no relation wastever to Mr. Roosevelt's trust-buster arrangements, and so Mr "kinner's information which he furnis . d could not nave related to the i v sugation of the tobacco trust, unless it involved the question of railroad rebates.

" I nere is no u horitative information on the subject, but the belief prevails that Mr Skinner has been directed to begin an investigation into the methods of the American Tobacco Company in eastern Caroli a, as has been frequently intimated would be the case since it became known that the administration was in earnest North Carolina is the home of the parent company, and an official of the Department of Justice made the remark to-day that it was the finest field in the United States for probing into the methods of the so call-

ed trust "The fir-t information published anywhere that the president con templated an aggressive fight on the alleged tobacco trust appeared in this correspondence two days after the election A few days later the fact was announced by the press associations, and since then a special attorney general has been appointed to take charge of the investigation. He believes this corporation is doing busi sess in violation of the provis ions of the auti trust laws, and his preliminary me ve is to make out a Case. It is said that the president's attention was called to the open ations of the American Tobacco Company by a close and personal friend, who was forced out of bus in-as because he endeavored to work independent y of the alleged trust.

Landstreet, W. J. Friedlander and S. H Harris, prominent tobacco manufacturers, and the members of a special committee appointed for the purpose by the Independent Tobacco Manufacturers' Association at its recent convention in Philadelphia have called on Attorney General Moody a d said before him data gathered by the Association tending to show the employment by the American Tobacco Company of methods claimed to be "in restraint of trade," and hence in violation of the Sherman anti trust act. The practices of which complaint is made cousist, it is said, in attempts to prevent both jobbers and retailers from handling the goods of the so - called independent manufac-

turers." There were pretty reliable rumors in Wilmington late in the Presidential campaign that the American Tobacco Company mistrusted President Roosevelt and would have taken any steps to defeat him had his antagonism developed into reality in time. As a general proposition the Company had no fear of the Republican party and only awakened at Because they don't demand it.

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thing up his sleeve for the Trust.

convenes in Wilmington May 1st. If

there is any evidence upon which to

bring suit against the American To-

bacco Company for violation of the

Sherman Act, there is probably as

much of it in North Carolina as in

any other State, for the methods of

the Company are pretty much the

EDUCATION IN NORTH CAR.

OLINA.

Under the vigorous, persistent,

systematic and able campaign of

education made by former Governor

has been stormed with marked ef-

fect. The cause of education has

age of illiteracy was greatly re-

equal to the best four years of any

address at Raleigh on Wednesday,

Governor Glenn said, among other

"It is said we can often judge a

state's progress by its schools, its

roads and the morals of its people.

l'ested by such a rule our State has

recently made most rapid progress

but still very much remains to be

"In efficiency of teachers, im-

provement in school facilities and

the length of the school term, our

educational interest has been greatly

improved and every boy and gir

given a chance to acquire the kind

and character of education they

most need. Still, the lamented fact

remains that North Carolina is next

to the most illicerate State in the

Juion- and this alone should stim-

ulate us to renewed exertions to lift

the clouds of ignorance which sur-

commenting upon these remarks by

The Norfolk Virginian - Pilot,

"This arraignment may be true

in the sence that the proportion of

illiterates to literates is great but

here the unfavorable comparison

ceases, for the educated people of

the State of North Carolina will

rank favorably with the educated

people of any State in the Union,

or with the people of any other

country for that matter. The State

her great natural resources are be-

every reason to congratulate them-

the Old North State has made and is

Our Norfolk contemporary

aiming at a mark that will call for

more of the good opinion of the

President Roosevelt's proposition

to prohibit rebates on freight, just

as we predicted, tickles the railroads

to death, for President Spencer, of

the Southern, declares that they do

not care how drastic such a law is

made. The doing away with rebates

will remove about the only competi-

tion the railroads engage in with each

"We demand that the tariff be

taken off Manila rope," ejaculates

an exchange. We demand that a

cigar makers if they want to keep

us roped in on some brands of their

The building of a second opera

house here is another evidence that

Greater Wilmington is coming. The

investors in this new enterprise are

among our most prudent business

The Washington Post taxes our

credulity by announcing that a poet

has given \$10,000 to a museum. If

of Crusaders against doggerelette?

men. They are looking ahead.

round and hang over us."

the Governor says:

making."

other.

stinkadoras.

Virginian - Pilot,

accomplished.

same in all the States.

WILMINGTON, N. C., FRIDAY, JANUARY 20, 1905.

President was in earnest with some. IN THE LEGISLATURE.

If action against the Tobacco Resolution in Both Houses Yes-Trust is to be commenced in North Carolina, we presume the first gun. terday to Investigate South will be fired at the term of the Dakota Bond Suit. United States District Court which

IMPORTANT COMMITTEES.

Raise Tax on Oysters Proposed-Proposition to Run Liquor Out of Richmend .- Work to Begin on Revenue and Machinery Act.

[Special Star Telegram.]

RALEIGH, N. O., Jan. 13,-A resolu tion was introduced in the House today to have the Senate and House Judiciary committees investigate the South Dakota bond sult against North Carolina and to confer with the Governor, Attorney General, Council of State, Associate justices and Chief Jus-Chas. B. Aycock during the past tice. Recommendations are to be four years the citadel of illiteracy made. The bondholders are flooding the legislature with circulars and interviews setting forth their claims in the suit.

made great strides and the percent-The House Committee on Ossters and Ogster Interests to-night decided duced. Governor Aycock retires to report favorably a bill to increase the tax on oysters from 11 cents per bushel to 3 cents for the first grade and from half cent to 11 cents on the secoud grade the law law to apply only to the State oysters beds in Pamlico Sound. It does not apply to beds in pender, New Hanover or Brunswick counties. State Oyster Commissioner Webb The State is to be congratulated appeared before the committee and advocated the bill. All surplus revenue is o be expended in planting new oyster

A bill introduced in the Senate to day by Everett, to make Richmond s dry county, was referred to the Committee on Propositions and Grievances before which there is sure to be a bitter fight as the bill is a lick at the big dis-At a session of the Joint Finance

Committee to-night a sub committee was appointed to begin the work of drafting a revenue and machinery act. Toe special committeemen are Long, of Person; Odell, of Cabarrus; Ricks, of Nash; Everett, of Bichmond; for Stronach, of Wake; Cofield, of Martin; Davie, of Burke, and Roberson, of Guiford, for the House. No radical innovations are anticipated.

Routine Proceedings.

(Condensed from Raleigh Times.) The Senate opened with prayer by Rev. R. T. Vann. Bills introduced were: By McLean, to incorporate the Durham and South Carolina Railroad Co.: by Webb, relative to taking dencsitions; by Wright, to prevent misappropriation of partnership funds; by Webb, to protect keepers of livery stables; by Odell, to enable a married man, whose wife is insane, to dispose of property, except the homestead upon certificate of the superintendent of insane asylum; by Fleming, to require churches and schools in Pitt to be blocked so as to prevent hogs and goats from going under the house: by Sinclair, to appoint justices of the peace in Cumberland. Benate bill to bolish Neuse river as lawful fence in No. 3 township, Craven county, was

The Wright bill to prohibit the sale of morphine, opium or cocaine, came up for consideration. The committee ferred a substitute prohibiting any person, firm or corporation selling or giving to any person morphine, opium or cocaine, except upon a prescription from a physician, dentist or veterinary surgeon. The same prescription shall not be refilled. The bill does not permit the sale of any drugs or medicines having 30 per cent of either of these drugs.

of North Carolina has advanced and is advancing rapidly along both edudenator Long, of Iredell, made cational and commercial lines, and plea for the passage of the bill. There were emergency cases, when a physiing developed by the brain and encould not be secured, and it was abso lotely necessary to anminister this ergy of her people. The State of

North Carolina and her people have Senator Zo licoffer agreed with the argument Senator from Martin and selves upon the splendid showing he could see no objection to an amend ment permitting druggists to admin ister the drug in cases of emergency and in the adsence of a physician. Senator Burton favored the amendquite right in what it says, and ment. It was adopted and the bill North Carolina in the future is then passed unaniously.

Senator Webb, chairman of the committee on rules, reported the number of employes and the wages paid There are 13 laborers and 9 pages, and 3 assistants in principal clerk's office. There are 9 of these employes receiving \$4 per day, 15 receiving \$2, and 8 receiving \$1 per day. This number was not excessive and all the em

ployes were needed. Sinclair was appointed to succeed Webb, resigned, on the committee on codification of the laws. Resolution for a special committee

on liquor traffic was tabled. Bilis passed: To allow appeals in contempt cases the same as in criminal cases. The bill as originally drawn provided for appeal in contempt cases the same as in civil actions, but the judiciary committee changed "civil" to "criminal." To make the office of pank cashier a continuing office. To incorporate Sanford and Little Valley better quality be imported by the

In the House bills were introduced increasing the appropriation to the Soldiers' Home and providing for en largement; to prevent the assignment of wages and prevent fraud. After discussion of the bill for a monument to the North Carolina troops at Appomattox it was referred to appropriation committee, such a course being demanded. This committee met and favorably reported the bill and tomorrow it will page. A bill was introduced changing the name of the Bap tist Female University at Raleigh to the Baptist Female College; to fix the status of personal property for taxtion. The bill allowing distilleries of not less than thirty-six bushel daily capacity to operate at Asheville passed the second reading, 74 to 26, and was

he had that much, why didn't he made special order for next Tuesday. give it to the Amalgamated Society by request of the introducer.
Governor Gienn presented his first message to-day. It consisted wholly There is a demand for Congress of a plea for the rateing of the salaries of the Supreme and Superior Court judges.

Mecklenburg, introduced a measure, last accounts.

to take the duty off barbed wire. Please wire us if the wiry politi-RALEIGH, N. C., Jan. 14 .- A spiritcians in Congress will monkey with ed discussion of the liquor problem was the special feature of the Legisbarbed wire. lature to-day, especially of the Senate, The Virginia-Carolina Chemical and if the House passes the same Company, in its generous offer to measures enacted by the Senate, Hamassist the planters in holding their let and Hoffman will have to go out cotton, is "casting bread upon the of the liquor business and the Atlantic Hotel at Morehead City cannot sell

"Why not treat editors like other people?" asks the Raleigh Times. House, Representative Alexander, of \$50 bond which had not been given at

prohibiting screens in saleons and res GOVERNOR GLENN'S APPOINTMENTS.
quiring all bars in the State to be
closed between 8 P. M. and 6 A. M., Reappointments Appointments Appointments Reappointments Announced Last Night. and fixing the license at \$1,000 al Bersonal Staff Named Later.

over the State. [Special Star Telegram.] Before the Senate passed the bill to prohibit the manufacture and sale of liquor in Richmond county a spirited debate arose during which Se Emple, of New Hanover, and Senator McLean, of Scotland, had a fit. Mr. Emple was the first to speak in

opposition to the bill. Mr. McLean had made a lengthy speech, Bibis in hand, quoting freely therefrem. Mr. Empie's speech was to the effect that the Watts' law was all, sufficient for Hamlet and Richmond county people and it should be left to a vote of the erison, of Charlotte, now in command of the First Regiment. people on the question.

Then Emple said: "I enjoyed the reading by the Senator, of Scott do the Biblical passages, and in his rev erence for that sacred book I Peartily agree with him and I believe I venerate it as much as he does, but still ! could say to him that you may take extracts from the Bible to uphold any position."

Senator McLean arose and with his large Bible in an extended hand, approached the Senator from New Hanover and exclaimed:

"Will you show me one passage in this book on your side of these questions ?" "Why, you take a little wine for

your stomach's sake" quoted Senator Emple and the House laughed. Senator McLean replied by quoting "Look not upon the wine while it is red" and "no drunkard shall inherit the kingdom of heaven" asserting that if the Senators did not vote egainst whiskey the blood of those lost

would be upon their heads. Senator Empie concluded his remarks by uging the Senators to stand by the doctrine of self government and leave matters of this kind to a vole of the people. It will be a hard fight in the House to have the Richmond liquor traffic submitted to a vote of the superintendent of the penitentiary.

people. IN THE SENATE. When the Everett bill to prohibit the manufacture and sale of liquor Richmond county came up in the upper house, Senator Everett explained that Richmond was now a wet spot in the centre of a large prohibition territory. Hoffman and Hamlet were whiskey towns, having d stilleries and saloons. He urged the passage of the bill.

Senator Coxe said he had been spoken to by both sides; he lived in a county adjoining Richmond and felt that it was due the Senators that the matter be fully presented. He asked to be excused from voting. Senator Bragaw from the commit

tee on propositions and grievances e plained and advocated the bill. Senator Hector McLean, of Scot land, made his plea for the bill are delivered an enthusiastic appeal of prohibition. He read copieus extract from the Bible on the subject of the

clined to think that the bill should not go into effect until July 1st, when the licenses expired. Senator Orisp, Republican, of Graham, advocated the bill. The bill was also supported by Senators Alexander, of Rutherford; McCulloch, of Bladen Shaw, of Robeson, and Ellington, of

Senator Duls said that he was in

Secator Aaron, of Wayne, declared that he could not support the bill. The Senate was presided over by L'eut Gov. Winston and opened with prayer by Rev. Dr. A. E. Moment. Duls introduced a bill to amend the law regarding the Carnegie library at Charlotte: Wright, to impose a penalty on telegraph companies for failure to last night by rail for her home. deliver a message; Cox, for the relief of ex Sheriff J. T. Gaddy, of Anson. A bill to repeal Chapter 513 Laws of 1899, relating to the sale of liquor at the Atlantic Hotel, Morehead City, was unanimously passed. Senator Aren. dell said that he introduced the bill simply to put Morehead City under the Watte' Law, the same as other places. Senators Sinclair and Turrentine were granted leaves of absence until Monday, after which the Senate adjourned

until Monday at 11 A. M. HOUSE PROCEEDINGS. In the House bills were introduced o regulate the sale of liquor in the state, requiring all saloons to pay \$1,000 license before issuance of the same, and to close at 8 P. M., opening not earlier than 6 A. M ; to incorporate the Dover Railroad Company for \$35,000 appropriation to blind institution at Raleigh for cold storage heating plant and addition to building : to regulate speed of automobiles in

Mecklenburg. Among bills passed to incorporate Rundales graded school and Granite Fails graded school in Caldwell county; to make unregistered deeds dated prior to 1870 "Ancient Records; to appropriate \$1,000 for memorials at Appomation; authorizing Brunswick and Stokes countles to levy special tax; requiring clerks to present House committees to serve for other committees without extra compensation.

Lumber Meeting in Florence.

At the regular bi-monthly meeting of the South Carolina Lumber Assocition in Fiorence, Friday night, D. T. McKelthan, of Luaber, and first vice president of the Association, was presented with a handsome silver pitcher and cup by the members of the Association as a token of the high personal esteem in which he is held by his fel low-members and co-workers. Mr. McKelthan is sell and favorably many years the associate and partner in business with the late P. L. Bridgers in the Bridgers-McKeithan Lumber Co. The presentation speech Friday night was by Mr. Z. W. Whitehead, of the Southern Lumber Journal. The meeting also ratified the new yellow pine rules as formulated by the Savannah conference last

Stole Box of Tobacce. Richard Kea, colored porter at the store of Mr. Joseph H. Watters, was straigned in Justice Fowler's court yesterday, on the charge of the larceny of a 10-pound caldy of tobacco from the store. Several testified they saw Kea going out of the place with liquor unless the County Commission- the tobacco under his apron. Kea ers grant permission. Then in the saw him take out. He was held under

RALEIGH, N. C., Jan. 12 -Governor Glenn said to-night that he would announce the appointments on his personal staff within the next day or two. Commissions of re-appointment were issued to-day to Col. Alfred Williams, as Colonel and Assistant

Adjutant General, and W. E. Gary, of Henderson, as Lieutenant Colonel and Quartermaster General. Governor Glenn last night an nounced the following appointments: Insurance Commissioner - J. R. Adjutant-General-Ool, T. R. Rob

sartermaster General—Francis Inspector General-T. H. Bain, Goldsboro. Commissary General-S. Gallert. Judge Advocate General - M. Hedges, of Asheville. Assistant Judge Advocate-General

T. L. Kirkpatrick, of Charlotte.

Chief of Engineers-J. L. Ludiow of Winston Surgeon General-Dr. R. S. Young, of Charlotte. Private Secretary to the Governor-Grneral James D. Glenn, of Greens-

RALEIGH, N. C., Jan. 13. -Governor Glean this morning announced the fol owing additional appointments: Paymaster General: George L Pe-

erson, of Charlotte.

Austriant Commissary Generals:
Wescott, Roberson of Guilford, and B. H. Kirkpatrick, of Waynesville. Geo. J. F. Armfield, reappointed brigadier general. W. L. McGee, to be inspector ger eral of small arms practice.

Thomas Stringfield, to be assistant Foster Hankins, to be assistant pay master general. John Andrews, to be assistant com

issary general. Tas Governor received a recommenation from the penitentiary board, asking that J. S. Mann be reappointed

LOCAL DOTS.

Princess streets yesterday. The animal was knocked down but was apparently uninjured.

- It will be of interest to friends of Mr. John Jay Blair in this city to slashed through a rubber coat, know that Mr. W. A. Blair, of Winston, who was recently appointed a member of the United States Assay ing which he wore probably saved Commission, is a brother of his.

for the marriage of Miss Lela E. Justice, daughter of Mr. Frank Justice, to Mr. R. F. Thompson, and Mrs. Ida Davis, daughter of Mr. Ed Sickely, to Mr. E. W. Hawkins, all of this city. - More contributions, ranging

in amount from \$5 to \$20, were received by the Wilmington creditors of John C. Davis yesterday. It is suggested that Mr. Davis may return to Wilmington in the near future when as debts shall have been more fully liquidated. - Capt. M. Bennett, of the

schooner "Cassie F. Bronson," which is in distress at Southport, has engaged a New York tug to tow the distressed vessel to her destination. Mrs. Bennett, wife of the captain, who was aboard, came up yesterday and left -- In the Mayor's court yester-

day Joe Quince, colored, was charged with disorderly conduct at Sixth and Castle streets Friday night and was fined \$5 and costs. A woman en- The wound is regarded as very probagaged in the same disorder escaped. leaving her hat and cloak. Officers - Schooner "Chas. C. Lister,

Ospi. Robert Z. Moore, after a very rough passage from New York, arrived yesterday with cargo of salt for the D. L. Gore Company. While in port Capt. Moore will pay a visit to his old home in the eastern part of the State and rumor has it that the trip will possess for him more than the ordinary interest.

THE FIRE LAST NIGHT.

faree Negro Houses in Saburbs Nearly

Destroyed - No Insurance. One small negro dwelling and two others adjoining, all belonging to the out of the hospital, where it was estate of the late W. W. Waddell. were almost completely destroyed by fire last night at 8 o'clock, in the northeastern section of the city. The fire starter from the explosion of a lamp at the house of Alex. Oldham, colored, 833 Fanning street. The lamp was in a rear room. The occupants smelled smoke and upon going | tion he was discharged. to investigate found the rear of the house in a light blaze on the interior. Alarms were sent to the Degariment from boxes 14, 16, 18 and 19, but the property was so far from a a hydrant that it was some time before a stream could be put on the known in Wilmington and was for flames. Oldham saved most of his

> ampletely burned: loss shout \$250. House adjoining on either side, occupied by Wm. Brice and Ellen Gorham, respectively, were damaged about \$50 each. There was no insurance on any of the property. From the number of fire alarms sent in. many thought Hannah & Co.'s. box factory in the old tobacco warehouse was burning, but the fire was 300 yards away.

Gestler Rosseau, who was arrested in Philadelphia on suspicion of having attempted to blow up the Washington, turns out to be the man who tried to blow up the Cunard steamer Umbria in New machine" on him when arrested.

NEGRO FATALLY SHOT

Drunken Painter Made General Attack With Knife Upon Young White Men.

HIS CONDITION DANGEROUS.

Herbert L. Petersos, Who Pired the Bullet. With Two Others. Were Slashed by the laforlated Black Mar. Gave Bond and Released.

of young white men on the west sidewalk, at Fourth and Hanover streets, early last night, Toney Black, a muscular young negro painter, was perhaps fatally wounded, a pistol ball from a 32-calibre revolver in the hands of Mr. Herbert L. Peterson having passed through his right lung. and at least two of the young white men in the imbroglio received slight cuts from a knife in the hands of the wounded negro. The negro was at once placed under arrest by Policeman H. P. Merritt and sent to the James Walker Memorial [Hospital, where he lies in a dangerous condition, and Mr. Peterson gave himself up to Policeman M. A. Jones, subsequently giving bond for his appearance for trial as soon as the negro s able to be out.

Mr. Peterson is employed as an en-

gineer at the Standard Pole & Tie Company's yards, on the Castle Haynes road, near Smith's Creek bridge. Last; night, after supper, he left his bome at Third and Hanover streets to go to Fourth street market to purchase some provisions for his family Soon afterileaving the house he was joined by his brother, Cleveland Per H. Peck, New York to Jacksonville, terson, and several other young men, Fla., with cargo of fertilizer material with whom he was walking down the | and cement, was towed into Southport side walk when the trouble occurred. In distress late Friday night by the The drunken negro fell in among the Wilmington tug Alexander Jones. crowd of young white men, knife in Capt. Peck says he cleared from New hand, and was slashing right and left | York Dec. 29th and experienced ter - A street car struck a horse of like a madman. The young men did rific weather during the entire voy. west part of Yadkin about nine the City Livery Co. at Fourth and not know the negro, neither did they age. On Wednesday night of this o'clock four men went to his house know whence he came nor the cause week, during thick weather, the veisel and began to batter on a door. for his attack. Cleveland Peterson struck on the extreme end of Frying When they had nearly succeeded was cut across the hand, one of the Pan shoals but subsequently floated. other young men received a slight Immediately, however, after striking gash and Mr. Herbert Peterson was | the schooner began to leak badly. The an overcost and thick underwear to the chest. The heavy clothe his life as the knife just pene-- Licenses were issued yesterday trated the fless inflicting a slight wound. Just after the negro had slashed Mr. Peterson, the latter drew his pistol and fired. The negro was apparently unburt and pursued Mr. Peterson across to a point nearly in front of Mr. J. Frank Maunder's former residence. Later he went on down the street and one of the young men ran down to Policeman Merritt, and had him to arrest the negro. In the meantime Mr. Peterson gave himself up to Policeman Jones and the patrol wagon was summoned from Fourth street bridge fire station. When it was ascertained that both Mr. Peterson and the negro were hurt the hospital ambulance was called and the two were taken there. Dr. Akerman found that Mr. Peterson's injuries | the city yesterday afternoon bringing were trivial. The bullet entered just below the right arm of the negro, a little to one side, and penetrated the swindler, arrested several months ago right lung. He was very much under the influence of liquor, wet and damp, and Dr. Akerman said his condition was very favorable to pneumonia.

bly fatal. Mr. Peterson was taken from the Newton and John Meier figured in the | hospital to the station house, where the circumstances were related by several and bond was fixed at \$100. It was given by Mr. Peterson with former policeman, H. H. Woebse, as security. Mr. Peterson was formerly a member of the fire department and has many friends, who regret the circumstances which necessarily led to the shooling.

An Aftermath of Menas.

Fred Hooper, the negro who was shot through and through the body, cut up badly and found by the side of the railroad track at Hiton Bridge on Christmas day, was arraigned in the police court yesterday, charged with disorderly conduct. Hooper was just thought for many days that it was impossible for him to live. The shooting was evidenily the result of a crap game across the river, and the Mayor had him brought up in court with the expectation of some developments. However, nothing of importance was elicited, and on account of his condi-

Afternoon Wedding. At the residence of the bride's uncle, Mr. J. I. Bland, at 4 o'clock yesterday afternoon, Rev. Geo. B. Webster, pastor of Bladen street M. E. church, joined in marriage Miss Alice Memopersonal effects, but the house was ry, and Mr. James C. Justice, all of Wilmington. There were only a few friends present to witness the happy event, both the bride and groom having preferred that the cremony be very quiet. Mr. Justice is a popular mem-ber of the Wilmington Fire Depart-ment. They will reside at the home of Mr. Bland, for the present.

Recalls Vopleasant Memories.

William H. Moore, doctor and former member of the Legislature and justice of the peace of New Hanover county before the days of '98, was the prosecutor in a case against Fred Bryart, colored, charged with an assault statue of Frederick the Great at with a deadly weapon in Justice Bornemann's court yesterday. Moore had been beaten up pretty badly by some one but the proof was lacking as to Bryant's having committed the deed. York in 1903. He had an "Infernal Bryant was discharged. Moore only lately returned to the city.

A. C. L. AGENT ARRESTED.

American Surety Company Caused Indictment of J. L. Southall, Former Agent at Duan ... The Shortege.

Mr. Bradbury Williams, of New

York, inspector for the American Surety Co., arrived in the city last night from Dune, N. C., where on Wednesday he caused the arrest of John L. Southall, former agent of the A C. L. in that city. Mr. Southall was some time ago indicted by the Harnett county grand jury for the alleged embezzlement of \$1,300 from In a general mix-up betweeen a for his arrest, but there was some crowd of drunken negroes and a party difficulty in serving them until Mr. Williams came down to urge the matter for his company in which South-all was bonded to the Coast Line. Southall was arrested Wednesday at Dunn on a capias from the clerk of Harnett county court at Lillington. He at once gave bond for his trial which will take place Feb. 6th. The Coast Line shoringe was, of course, paid by

the surety company.

Mr. T. J. Sweeney, traveling auditor of the Coast Line, with a represent ative of the surety company checked Mr. Southall up \$1,200 short some time ago. The former agent is well connected in Harnett and his arrest caused a sensation there. He says the \$1200 alleged to have been em bezzied by him was not taken but that the amount is due to him by merchants of Dunn for freight, which would have been paid to him but for the failure of the local banks in that town last Summer.

LEAKING VESSEL TOWED IN.

Schooner Lizzie E. Dennison Struck Prying Pan Shoals Wednesday Night.

Her crew weak and exhausted from constant and long service at the pumps to keep their craft afloat, the schooner Lizzie E. Dennison, 452 tons, Capt. W. seven men of the crew were at once called to the pumps and their combined and constant energy was required, in bitter cold weather, to keep the ship affoat until she was towed into Southport two days and a night later. Upon being towed into Southport the vessel was beached on Battery Island shoals to prevent her from sinking. Members of the crew were utterly exhausted. The captain came up to the city Saturday and reported to Capt. C. D. Maffitt, ship broker, who at once communicated with Capt. Peck to the owners. The vessel is now at Southport awaiting orders.

BURNS BROUGHT FROM GEORGIA.

Postoffice Money Order Swindler Landed in Jail Hare Yesterday-Accomplice. United States Deputy Marshall J. B. Wilson, of Savannah, Ga., arrived in to North Carolina "Jimmie" Burne, the noted postoffice money order

and placed in jail in the Georgia city meeting of the leaders this afterat the instance of Postoffice Inspector S. H. Buck. The particulars of the the measure will not be allowed to case are well remembered. Burns was | go to the Legislature. transferred here by order of Judge Emory Speer, of Georgis, and will be tried at the May term of the Federal Court in this city. Deputy U. S. Clerk J. K. Collier issued the commitment for the u-gro and he was placed in jail here. Edd. Smith, an accomplice of "Jimmie" Burns, is in jail in Kentucky and will be later transferred here for trial. Burns has confessed. He and Smith are the negroes who successfully worked the raised money order game on merchants here and at

SUICIDE IN PENDER.

other places in this State.

Mr. Ashley Murray Slashed His Throat With Rezer in Fit of Despondency.

This week's Pender Chronicle, of

Burgaw, has the following: Mr. Ashley Murray, who lives about three miles from this place, in Murray Town, committed suicide last Sunday py'cutting his throat from ear to ear with a razor. He was about 45 years of age, a prosperous farmer and a consistent member of the Hopewell Presbyterian church. His daughter was attending him at the time. He asked her to bring him some water and as soon as she left the room he secured the razor and, from the blood stains, must have at once committed the act s supposed to have been the cause. His remaius were interred at the family burying ground Monday evening at 3 o'clock. A wife and seven chil dren survive him, who have our sincerest sympathy.

Keith was on the streets again yesterday after a slege of 20 days with small-pox. He gives a vivid account of his insurance. experience during the quarantine and expresses thanks to all for the cours tesies extended to him. His family will remain to quarantine two weeks | Engineers to Survey to. Relicond from longer.

- Dakota, area 148,495 squar miles, was divided by the Republi cans in order that they might get take the field Monday for the purpose four Senators instead of two. Ari zona and New Mexico, area 236,557 square miles, will be combined by the Republicans, if they can carry their project through, in order that there shall not be more than two Southern ready access from the coal Democratic Senators out of a possifields to points in North Carolina, ble four .- Philadelphia Record.

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her niece, Miss Annie Glenn, were visitors yesterday in the gallery of the House of Representatives. - On the 12th inst. the residence of J. G. Boylin, editor of the Wadesboro Messenger-Intelligencer, was eutered by a burglar, who got away with a small sum of money, some articles of wearing apparel and a few pieces of silverware. There is no

SPIPITS TURPENTINE:

Raleigh Post: Governor Glenn a perfectly at home in the ex-ity office—and is just as he — Mrs. R. B. Glenn, her

ghter, Miss Rebecca Glenn, and

clue to the robber. - Chatham Record: Some days ago Mr. S. T. Womble of this townhip, saw some buzzards perched on one of his sheep, which was lying down and pulling wool out of it. He of course thought it was dead, but when he went to the sheep it got up and walked off very much

-Louisburg bonds to the amount of \$65,000 have been sold to Chicago parties for the purpose of establish. ng waterworks and electric light plants. Bids which have been invited will be opened on the 26th inst., and contracts awarded. The power plant and pumping station will be on Tar river, about one mile north of town. A mass meeting is called for next Monday evening to discuss the question of a graded school for Louisburg.

- Washington Gazette-Messenger: There seems to be an impression throughout the county that Washington is overrunning with the smallpox epidemic. But we are glad to say such is not the case. Everything possible and known to medical science is being done to stamp it out and success is crowning the efferts of the physicians. Every case has been isolated and persons living remote from the city need have no apprehension of coming to this place.

- Raleigh Post: A phenomenon that has not been accounted for is that in the home of Chief Clerk D. H. Milton of the state department of insurance. There is a large plate glass mirror in his bedroom that when objects are put at a certain distance from it acts as X-rays showing bones in the body or objects of other kinds through substances. A number of persons have made close examinations and are unable to account for the remarkable condition. Arrangements are being made for an examination by experts to, if possible,

solve the problem. - On Thursday night Lee Ball in breaking the door down Ball appeared and was shot twice with a shot gun. Two shots penetrated his lungs, others taking effect in other parts of his body. While seriously injured, it is thought that he will recover. Westry Gregory and Jim Cummings were arrested to day on the charge of being concerned in the shooting, and warrants have been issued for the arrest of John Cummings and Frank Everdge. These men were seen together, one with a shotgun, last evening, all intoxicated.

- A dispatch from Charlotte says: The proposition to establish a city dispensary or drug store in Charlotte which, it was stated, would supply the legitimate demand for liquor and medicine containing alcohol will be allowed to die a bornin. Since the publication of the text of the measure in the local newspapers the opposition has been developing fast and furious, even threatening disruption in the ranks of the Prohibitionists. Many of those who voted for a day town refused to stand for the radical drug store dispensary measure, which, they said, would simply result in defeating the machine two years hence. While nothing official was given out at the noon it is definitely understood that

- Statesville Landmark: It is given out that Mr. J. D. Murphy, member of the House from Buncombe county, will introduce a bill in the General Assembly increasing the legal rate of interest from 6 to per cent. He says that such a law would have beneficial results in western North Carolina; that the present law is evaded, and that it ices not protect the small borrower. We hardly think the bill will pass. and as we see it it ought not to pass. About fifteen years ago, when Raleigh, Charlotte Fayetteville and the legal rate of interest was changed from 8 to 6 per cent., there were predictions of all sorts of disasters in consequence and there was much talk that money should bring whatever anybody was willing to pay for it, etc., etc. But as a matter of fact the greatest era of development in the history of the State has resulted since the change in the law. We do not claim that the law was solely responsible for these conditions, but the fact remains that the disasters predicted not only did not occur, but there was improvement instead.

> SERIOUS INSENDIARY FIRE. Postoffice and Cotton Mills at Thomasville, Ga , Burned. By Telegraph to the Morning Star.

THOMASVILLE, GA., Jan. 14.-Louraine, a small lumber town nine miles north of Thomasville, was visited today by an incendiary fire which destroyed the postoffice and the buildings and commissary of the Loursin mills The office was robbed by Walter Mitchell, a negro who took money, stamps and goods and fired the post office. Mitchell has confessed and merchant at Loursine. Both have

TO TAP GOAL FIELDS.

Maries, N. J., to Johnson City. By Telegraph to the Morning Star

WASHINGTON, Jan. 14.-A corps of Southern Railroad engineers will of locating a railroad line between Marion, N. C., and Johnson City, Tenn. The proposed road will make possible a short time between the Virginia cold fields and the seacoast at Charleston and will also give the South Carolina and Eastern Georgia.