SUBSCRIPTION PRICE.

TRADING STAMPS.

The question of rooting out the trading stamp system is widespread. and whether or not laws can be passed to put an end to it, the trades people seem determined to break it up. In view of the fight | the Avenne stands ready to strike against the trading stamp plan now Hecker resigned some time ago and on in Wilmington, the following the vacancy has not been filled. from the Merchants' Journal, of Raleigh, will be read with interest:

Representative A. B. Stronach, of Wake, one of North Carolina's largest merchants, who is well acquainted with the conditions of trade, introduced a bill to be incorporated in the Revenue Act aimed at the trading stamp. The Finance Committee, to which this measure is pending, are unanimous in their decision that the trading stamp is one of the most demoralizing trade evils which beset the trade. There is absolutely no argument worthy of serious consideration that can be made in behalf of this trade nuisance. Every State in the Union in which these trading stamp companies have operated true, however, that if the President assed legislation seeking to their extermination. These companies have within the past four years by their schemes accumulated millions of dollars. They keep skilled counsel constantly employed, and have been successful, in the majority of instances, in having the Supreme Court to declare null and void the acts of the General Assembly.

The North Carolina Retail Merchants' Association, at its last annual convention, adopted the following resolutions:

"Whereas, that all such decep-tive devices as trading stamps and gift schemes invariably tend to degenerate the quality of the goods sold through attempting to convey the impression that the consumer is obtaining additional value; and,

Whereas the method of a bonus in the shape of a trading stamp is not in keeping with sound business pri ciples and a blind to cater to the unauspecting public, and has become an octopus, with no just reasons for its existence; and, therefore, be it

"Resolved, that we, the North Carolina Retail Merchants' Association, condemn such practice as nefarious to business morality, that not only these concerns be placed under a higher license than at present but that their existence should be entirely abolished; be it further "Resolved, that the General As

sembly of North Carolina is respectfully requested to consider favorably the report of the legislative committee of the North Carolina Merchants' Association and to tax and place a higher license on the trading stamp concerns for the reasons outlined above."

Nearly every merchant in North Carolina desires that the General Assembly take prompt action in regulating the distribution of trading stamps. These companies charge from three to four per cent. on the cash sales of the retail merchants, and it cannot be argued that a merchant can afford to give this amount for the tickets, stamps, or card board furnished by these concerns. It would be a suicidal policy, and, of course, he must ob tain this amount out of his trade or

This paper has repeatedly se forth the evil consequence which attend the handling of trading stamps. We are sure that those who have been caught by these "getrich-quick" concerns will be glad that the Finance Committee has taken this action. The bill places a tax both upon the stamp company and upon the merchant. It was prepared by Judge W. A. Graham, representative from Granville, who is one of the most skilled and learned lawyers in the State.

"An annual tax upon business of issuing, selling or delivering trading stamps or checks, receipts, certificates, tokens or other similar devices to persons engaged in trade or business, with the understanding or agreement expressed or implied. that the same shall be presented or given by the latter to their patrons as a discount, bonus, or premium or as an inducement to secure trade or patronage, and that the corporation, firm or association, or person selling or delivering the same will give to the person presenting or possessing the same money or other things of value, or any concession or preference in any way on account of the possession or presentation thereof, is hereby assessed against and improved upon each corporation, firm, association or person engaged in such business, which tax shall be equal to 15 per cent. on the gross amount of moneys received by the corporation, firm, association or person liable to pay such tax, and every such person, firm or corporation shall within the first ten days Senate.

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of January and July of each year furnish to the sheriff of the county niwhich such business is carried on an itemized statement, under oath, of the amount of such trading stamps sold or disposed of during the preceding six months, or portion thereof.'

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The bill placing a tax upon the merchant handling trading stamps provides "that every person, firm or | THREE corporation who shall use any stamps, coupons, tickets, card or other devices for the sale of goods, wares and merchandize, which said stamps, coupons, tickets, or other similar devices, shall entitle the purchaser receiving the same to secure from any other firm or corporation any goods, wares or merchandise free of charge upon production of any number of said stamps, tickets, coupons, cards or other similar devices shall pay an annual license tax of twenty dollars."

THE IMPERIOUS MR. ROOSEVELT

The above heading is ours, but we wish to use it in order to refer to an editorial in the New York Times under the heading "In Spite of Congress." Says the Times:

"Congress declined to gratify the desire of the administration to be rid of four members of the Isthmian Canal Commission. But what difference does that make? "That twohanded engine" at the other end of Now Admiral Walker, Prof. Burr, Mr. Harrod of Louisiana, and Mr. Grunsky of California will have to go-so it is reported in Washington. That will leave Gen. Davis and William Barclay Parsons, while it is understood that Chief Engineer Wallace will receive a recess appointment as commissioner and become chairman. Then the President will have his commission of three, as requested. The law says that the Canal Commission shall consist of seven members. We hope, however, that the time has gone by when anybody will seriously pay attention to tiresom persons who prate about laws and constitu-

tions as checks upon the energy of this Administration. It may be orders his reduced commission to go ahead with the work of building a sea-level canal, which it seems to be agreed is the only one that can be built, they will run some risk of being held up in the Treasury Department, where they are great sticklers for due authorization of law when it comes to paying out money. The aw authorixes a lock canal costing ess than \$150,000,000; the sea-level canal will cost \$300,000,000 or more -probably a great deal more. But there must be a way around or through these difficulties, for it is

announced that the President will soon begin the work vigorously." We have in the above a plain statement that "in spite of Congress," we have at the head of this government a man who is so selfwilled that he absolutely has his way over the law passed for his guidance by the representatives ef the sovereign people of the United States. If Congress is wrong it were well to appeal to the people, but it is too grave a precedent for any President to set in nullifying, by force of circumstances or technicalities, acts passed by the people in their Congressional capacity.

LESSON IN THE BAST.

The appalling destruction of human life and the enormous waste of money in a war between strong powers using modern weapons of destruction, is illustrated in the bloody conflict between Russia and Japan in Manchuria. It is indeed sickening, and certainly is disheartening to those who expected that the establishment of The Hague Tribunal would put an end to the monstrous crime of war.

The fact that cause for war exists on the civilized globe makes one almost doubt whether "government" is a blessing or a curse. One of the reasons that anarchists are down on government of all kinds is that if there were no governments there would be no wars to desecrate the to burden the people. Between anarchy and governments which oppress the human race or make mistakes or commit crimes that inflict unhappiness and discontent upon the people, the world is between the devil and the deep blue sea.

In times like these it behooves the people of the United States to loose no time to root out the imperialistic tendencies, corruption and graft in their government. Russia is thrashed to a standstill because she had troops 10,000 miles away from home exploiting the helpeless Chinese in. stead of being busy at home en lightening and lifting the burden

from her millions of serfs. The prospective end of the war in Manchuria ought to be hailed with rejoicing throughout the world. It should be a grim lesson to powers who now have a practicel observation of what the Big Stick can do for them or their rivals.

The death of Maj. Gen. William B. Bate, Senator from Tennessee, leaves only two "Confederate Brigadiera" in Congress-Brigadier Generals John T. Morgan and Edmund Winston Pettus, both from Alabama. Both are members of the by Policeman C. E. Wood at Fourth

VAGRANTS' PARADISE

Constable and Citizens Made Important Arrests in East Wilmington Vesterday.

NEGROES JAILED

Believed to Have Been Responsible for Namerous Depredations Within Past Week or Yen Days - In Rags and Wretchedness They Dwelt.

A vagrants' paradise, on the Market street road, just over Mill Creek bridge and beyond the National cemetery, was raided at 5 o'clock yesterday morning by Constable W. B. Savage, assisted by Mesers. A. O. McEachern and Frank T. Mills, residents in East Wilmington, who made complaint to Justice Fowler several days ago that various and sundry depredations were being committed in the neighborhood and that they were reasonably certain the acts were traceable to idle and vicious negroes, who inhabited the retreat, which was swooped down upon.

As a result of the raid, Fred Bishop and Louis Murphy, two able-bodied young negroes, in rags and wretchedness, were arrested in the house, a negro woman in the place for whom no warrant was issued, took fright and fled to the woods, and subsec quently a third inhabitant of the den, Charles Wood, colored, was arrested at the back door of a residence on Princess street, where he was waiting for a hand-out, evidently being on intimate terms with the cook. The trio was locked up in jail on a charge of vagrancy, though an effort will be made to connect them with one or more of the outrages and thefts that have been perpetrated in East Wilmington recently. Several nights ago a lady resident in the neighborhood was halted by unknown negroes and frightened badly, one or two hold ups of country caris have been reported from that section, and a number of hides were stolen from a warehouse in the neighborhood where they had been stored by Mr. I. B.

Those who made complaint against the negroes said that they absolutely refused to work at any price and were insolent at the proffers of assistance they would lounge and sleep around what is equally, or rather more imports ant, is the significant fact that Key West that reason they were considered a States," dangerous element in the community. They house which they inhabited is a very dilapidated structure and the officers who raided the place yesterday morning found not a stick of furniture of any kind in the place. The occupants of the house were sleeping here and there on a pile of rags on the bare floor. When the raid was made vegetables were found on the hearth with the dew of the morning on them, indicating that a trucker's patch had been robbed of them a short time before. The negroes could give no clear account of themselves and had evidently left the city in order to escape the rigid enforcement of the vagrancy law in thy city proper. However, it appears they visited the city often from their suburban retreat and possibly have been responsible for the several sneak entrances into Wilmington residences for the past several weeks. At any rate, the arrest is regarded as important. Others who are believed to have inhabited the same dive took their cue from the arrest yesterday morning and have flown.

Executed in the Woods.

The hanging of the negro Walter Partridge, the Fayetteville rapist, presumably under the new law passed by the recent session of the Legislature, giving the Cumberland county commissioners the power to fix the place for the execution of criminals, will take place at some point outside the city limits. Yesterday afternoon's Fayetteville Observer says: "County Attorney A. S. Hall to-day informed an Observer reporter that the execution of Walter Partridge, the negro condemned to sie on April 6th for criminal assault, will not take place in the county jail, but will be held somewhere out in the woods, at a point not yet decided upon. The execution will earth and no constant increase of | not be public, and the square surroundextravagance and piling up of taxes | ing the scaffold will be enclosed by a canvass screen."

CONDITION OF A. & N. E.

Corporation Commission Going to Investi gate Somplaint - Gov. Glenn to Speak.

[Special Star Telegram.] RALEIGH, N. C., March 11.-The Corporation Commission will leave Tuesday morning for Goldsboro on a tour of inspection over the Atlantic and North Carolina Railroad on account of complaints that have been filed by citizens of Beaufort, Morehead City and also regarding other bad

conditions reported as existing. Governor Glenn announces that he the commencement address at the oro April 27th.

Wanted in Florence.

Sheriff Burch, of Florence, S. C., a here and will take back with him to day Prince Moses, colored, charged with obtaining goods from a Florence merchant under false pretences. Meses worked on the railroad section near Florence and gave the storekeeper an order sgainst his wages for the amount of the goods obtained. When pay day came the negro drew his money and skipped. He was arrested before day yesterday morning and Harnett streets.

MP. FLAGLER'S GREAT UNDERTAKING.

Greatest Peat in Railroad Engineering Ever Projected-Guba by Gars.

The Jacksonville, (Fla.) Metropolis has the following of interest: The transportation world is deeply interested in the proposed undertaking of Henry M. Flagler, to build a railroad to Key West. No other man in America would seriously consider such a proposition, but Mr. Flagler will succeed and his road will succeed and his road will prove of great value, not only Florida, but to the whole country. When Mr. Flagler decided to build a railroad down the east coast of Florida, thousands doubted his wisdom. Into almost a wilderness he penetrated, and to-day what was one of the most thinly settled portions of the State, contains thousands of prosperous citizens and numerous progressive towns have sprung up. The east coast of Florida, through Mr. Flagler's development, has become the most famous winter resort in the world, and for climate it is incom-

His latest undertaking has startled the engineers of the country, and in speaks ing of the work proposed, newspapers give much space to the scheme. The Atlanta Journal of yesterday, in speaking of it says:

"Take up the map of the Gulf and At-lantic coast country and note the strat-egic location of the city of Key West with reference to Havana. "As the gull flies it is just ninety miles from the American city to the capital of

"When you come to realize the com-paratively short stretch of water it does not seem increditable to think of loads ing a car in the North or West or East and sending that car without break of bulk to Hayana.

"It is an easy task to ferry freight cars from Key West to Havana, Car ferries that cross Lake Michigan take loaded trains a longer way.

"The difficulty is to get the car to Key West. The Provide Fact Coart Pai) West, The Florida East Coast Railway s working on that problem at this time. It proposes to extend its line through the Everglades of Florida and, using the numerous islands as stepping stones, build elevated trestle work to connect

them, and thus reach the city of Key "This undertaking-the surveys have been made-is regarded by the Scientific American as "undoubably the most not table feat in railroad engineering which has ever been conceived.

"The nearest approach to it is the Lucin cut-off, built by the Union Pacific across Salt Lake, in Utah: It consists of a wooden trestle work of 26 miles But the Florida project requires besides the building over the everglades and the using of the islands more than 40 miles of trestle over the open water. "The Lucin cut-off, however, has no

trouble with tides or storms. The Florida railroad will be menaced at many points by the fierce Atlan Fortunately the rock foundation is good and while the work will be very expen. sive it can be made stable. The expense of this work will be amply justified. The carrying trade of Cuba becoming immensely valuable. And

is 250 miles nearer to the Panama Canal the but which they inhabited and for than any other city in the United

Accidental Game Law.

State Senator Brooke G. Empie, who s authority on all laws and clauses of laws, written or unwritten, wherein game is concerned, was asked yesterday as to the effect of the accidental game law passed by the recent Legislature, restricting hunting to the short sesson between Nov. 20th and Jan. 20th, the circumstances of which were explained in the Raleigh telegram to this paper yesterday. Mr. Empie said counties which have special acts-and nearly all of them have-will not be affected by the accidental passage of the general one referred to. Notable exceptions among the countles which have the special acts are Columbus nd Oaslow counties. New Hanover nd Brunswick have special acts.

The Plan Endorsed. The Pythian Leader, of Chicago, one of the foremost K. of P. journals in the world, publishes in full the official circular of Grand Chancellor Robertson, of North Carolina, calling for the observance of "Pythian Big Night" in his Domain and adds by way of comment: "The foregoing is the best 'Big Night' programme that has come to our notice, and we give it here because Illinois Pythians are deeply interested in progressive ideas looking towards the increase of membership and yet maintain the "dignity

of the Order.'

- Fayetteville Observer: "The engagement is announced of Mr. Joseph R. Ross, of Charlotte, and Miss Mary Warren Cameron, of Washington city, the marriage to be consummated in Fayetteville on the evening of Thursday, April 27th. Mr. Ross is the son of Mr. John B. Ross, of Charlotte, and a member of the well known firm in that city of Messrs. John B. Ross & Son, manufacturers of cotton bagging."

- Richmond (Va.) News-Leader: Strawberries are now in town. The first crate of the sesson was on "the block" this moraing. They came from Fiorida, about eighty quarts all told, in a refrigerator crate. The berries sold for about 40 cents a box wholesale. Last year strawberries were in during February."

- Laurinburg Exchange: "We notice a considerable number of crossroad. It has been rumored that the treaty. has accepted an invitation to deliver | Beaboard would re-rail its roadbed from Hamlet to Wilmington. We bope this is true.'

> At Wake Forest College there is movement on foot to establish a tobacco market. Capt. E. M. Pace, of Wilson, a leading man in the tobacco business, was there the other day and made a talk before the men who are thinking of establishing the eral sessions and among the penalties market. The board of trade is at imposed, Bob Smalls, a white man rethe head of the movement.

- "Might doesn't make right," quoted the Wise Guy. "No, not unless you control the law makers," replied the Simple Mug, who had been reading up on the Trust propo-sition, —Philadelphia Record.

AN INTERESTING OLD RESORD.

Property Given by Lamented Dr. DeRosset to St. James' Episcopal Church.

There was filed for record in the office of the Register of Deeds at the Court House yesterday morning an old Instrument of date March 29th, 1867, conveying from the lamented Dr. Ar mand J. DeRosset and wife to the vestry and wardens of St. James' Episcopal church, in this city, the property koown as the "O. A. N. Grounds," which was recently sold by the vestry and wardens of the parish to Mr. Thomas P. Bagley, and over which sale it was at first thought there would be a legal controversy. The old deed describes the property as "all those lots or parcels of land, between Orange and Ann and Eighth and Ninth streets, being the whole of Block No. 133," and the conditions of the gifts to the church are set forth in the following language: "That the said parties of the first part, for the purpose of aiding in the establishment of a Home for Indigent Widows or Orphans, or in the promotion of any other charitable or religious object to which the property hereinafter conveyed may be appropriated by the party of the second part and in further consideration of \$1 to them in hand paid, etc."

As it is understood that the proceeds of the recent sale are to be used in the work of the Chapel of the Good Shepherd, Sixth and Queen streets, the opinion has been given that the recent sale is in full compliance with the con ditions under which the property was given to the church by the lamented Dr. DeRosset.

TRUCKING AND NEW HOTEL.

Mr. W. J. Moore Talks of His Plans to Charlotte Paper.

The Charlotte Chronicle of yesterday as the following:

Mr. W. J. Moore, of this city, who was a large amount of real estate in Pender county, has sold a farm of several thousand acres of fine trucking land, situated 18 or 20 miles from Wil mington, to a colony of Iowa and Illino:s farmers. The new settlers are purchasing other land to the vicinity large scale. The trucking industry in that section of the State is growing in volume every year and has been the means of attracting many new people

Mr. Moore, who is building a new Summer hotel at Wrightsville Beach has changed his original plans and will arrange for a larger and more pretentious building than he had contemplated. He has decided to enlarge the building from 100 to 127 rooms. The structure is nearing completion and will be ready for the reception of guests by the opening of the coming season. Mr. Moore has purchased two launches, which he will operate in connection with his hotel.

Landlord and Tenant Act

Favetteville Observer: "Much in terest is being manifested in the provisions of the new landlord and tenant act, passed by the recent Legislature. It provides that any tenant or cropper who procures advances from his landlord and leaves the crop with the advance unpaid, and any landlord who refuses to make advances after agreeing to do so, without good cause, abali be guilty of a misdemeanor, and any person who employs a tenant or cropper from another, knowing that he has left his crop or advances unpaid, shall be liable to the former landlord for the advances and be guilty of a misdemeanor. There is also a section for ousting a tenant or cropper, who refuses or fails to perform the terms of contract, from the premises which he occupies. The counties to which the act applies are: Mecklenburg, Wayne, Greene, Johnston, Jones, Oaslow, Oraven, Oleveland, Sampson, Pitt, Duplin, Gates, Cumberland, Perquimans, Chowan, Robeson, Bladen, Nash, Harnett, Edgecombe, Hertford, Wilson, Rockingham, Pender, Currituck, Gaston, Northampton, Beaufort, Chatham, Tyrrell, Halifax, Martin, Montgomery, Wake, Hyde, Au-

SANTO DOWINGO TREATY.

Probability is That it Will be Adopted by End of This Week.

By Telegraph to the Morning Star

WASHINGTON, March 11.-Many Senators are indulging in speculation as to the length of the session required to take action on the Santo Domingo treaty and whether party lines be drawn taut when the convention at the Capitol to-day, but nearly all of those who were in their committee rooms expressed the opinion that if there should not be a ilne up, and they are agreed that one is not likely, the treaty will be brought to a vote by the end of next week and that the special session may be adjourned sine die on

Saturday. The amendment offered by Senator Hale yesterday, terminating the proceedings under the treaty at the expiration of ten years unless extended by another treaty, if adopted, will satisfy at teast three Republican members who have been disposed to vote against the ratification of the treaty. It is believed that this amendment will bring ties unloaded on the line of the rail- at least five Democratic votes for the

TO HAND FOR KILLING NEGRO.

Justice Meted Out to Black and White in South Carolina. By Telegraph to the Morning Star.

CHARLESTON, S. C., March 11 .- A special from Darlington tells of the sentences to-day in the court of gencently convicted of killing a respect-able negro named Frank Scott, was sentenced to be hanged Friday, May 5th. John Noll, also white, an accessory to the crime, was recommended to mercy and was given a life sen-tence. Sam Marks, a negro, who

Smalls May 5th.

STATE GAME LAWS.

First Legislative Blunder of Recent Session Came to Light Yesterday.

THE OPEN SEASON LIMITED

Act Meant for Only One Township Applies to Betire State—Sale of Mills—Lumber Enterprise Incorporated-Build Elks' Home.

[Special Star Telegram.] RALEIGH, N. C., March 10 .- The discovery was made to-day that the Legislature has passed a local act in such a way that it prohibits hunting anywhere in the State except from November 20th to January 20th. The act is to regulate hunting and fishing in Lanesboro township, Anson county.
The first section makes it unlawful to
hunt, trap, or fish on the lands of
another in Lanesboro township without the consent of the land owner. The second section provides that it shall be unlawful to kill any partridge, quail, snipe, deer, wild turkey, wild duck and other game birds, save from November 20th to January 20th next succeeding of each year. There is no clause limiting the section to the local application, therefore under the ruling of the Supreme Court in the accidental anti-jug law, the case applies

to the State at large.
The trustees' sale of the Juanita Cotton Mills, Alamance county, was confirmed in the Superior Court here to-day. The Hopedale Mills Company is organized to operate the factory, James N. Williamson, Jr., being the president. The mill will be newly equipped and the capacity increased.

The Secretary of State to day granted letters of incorporation to the Alma Lumber Company at Alms, Robeson county. Capital stock, \$100,000. In-corporators: P. A. Fore, E. B. Christian and Annie B. Fore. The company will do a general lumber business, buy and s ! limber and timbered lands, and conduct a general mer-

Testerday the Secretary of State granted a charter to the Elks' Home Coustruction Company of this city, the five incorporators being Messrs. L A. Ma ler, J. F. Ferrall, Jno. W. Cross, C. B. Barbes and A. B. Andrews, Jr., who comprise the building committee of Raleigh Lodge, No. 735, B. P. O. and will establish a new lown and en- Eiks. They immediately met and accepted the charter by organizing there under. The new building will cost \$25,000 and the location will be on

West Salisbury street, near Martin. The Evening Times, Raleigh's up todate afternoon publication, passed under its new management this afternoon. Mr. John O. Drewry remains president of the publishing company. but the editorial and business staff will be as followa: Kenneth R. Hoyle, editor; J. T. McLean, city editor Numa Reid Hoyle, publisher, and Edgar A. Womble business manager, The Mesers. Hoyle are enterprising young newspaper men and know the practical side of the business. They re bound to succeed

L. & N. CONNECTIONS.

one Road Cinched in Tennessee and Receiver Asked for One in Alabama.

By Telegraph to the Morning Star. BIRMINGHAM, ALA., March 11. -Henry B. Gray, of this city, has filed petition in the Montgomery courts, asking that a receiver be appointed for the South and North Alabama railroad and that the Louisville and Nashville railroad be enjoined from voting its stock in the South and North Alabama railroad for any purpose whatever until the courts decide whether \$27.50 a share is an adequate price for the stock.

The Louisville and Nashville owns 90 per cent, of the stock of the South and North Alabams, and Mr. Gray, wto is a minority stockholder in the latter, alleges that it is proposed to sell the properties, rights and franchises of the South and North Alabama to the Louisville and Nashville for \$27.50 for each share of which the par value is \$100. The city court of Montgomery has granted the temporary injunction. KNOXVILLE, Tenn., March 11.-The Atlants, Knoxville and Northern railroad, running from Knoville to Marietta, Ga., formally passed into the hands of the Louisville & Nashville railroad, which has virtually owned it for months, when a deed was recorded in the local trustee's office to day. It will be a part of the Cincinnati-Knoxville ifne to Atlants, Gs.

BOMS TRAGEDY IN RUSSIA.

Anarchist Blew Himself Up by Accident and Killed a Woman.

By Cable to the Morning Star. ST. PETERSBURG, March 11.-The explosion of a bomb at the Hotel Bristol, adjoining the Hotel D'Angleterre, here just before daylight this morning blew to atoms the owner of the bom! a man with an English passport and giving the name of Alfred Henry comes to a vote. Few Senators were McOullough, and wrecked the adjoining rooms, killing the wife of an officer and injuring other lodgers. The explosion was heard blocks away and created a tremendous sensation There is not the slightest doubt that the man killed was connected with terrorist plots. The bomb was of the same power as those which killed the late Minister of the Interior VonPiehve and Grand Duke Sergius. The police believe McCullough was charging the bomb when it exploded. An independent investigation made

by the Associated Press seems to establish beyond question that the man killed was a terrosist leader. His passport of course was fictitious but the man was a foreigner, not a Russian. Just before Grand Duke Sergius was assassinated the man was absent for two days, which might connect him directly with the grand duke's murder.

gressmen who cut themselves loose frem their jobs when they know that the people are not to be trifled with and that contracts may soon be Butler. Engineer Edward J. Wilkes must blame themselves. Here is the way the Norfolk Virginian-Pilot talks out: "Congressman Maynard is, we believe, recorded as voting for the mileage bill that passed the House and met its finish in the Senate - the bill authorizing the payment of \$190,000 mileage to members for travelling that they were supposed to do during a two market, and the use of the talc in violating the statutes. A pretty seconds recess. The suggestion is this section of the State in its man- fair article of justice is furnished entirely friendly that if the member ufacture will undoubtedly open up by the United States courts, and a by the United States courts, and a killed Hillary Langstor, saile, was plain he will have a large and attensentenced to die on the gallows with

| Sentence | Sam Marks, a negro, who | from the Second district rises to ex| sentence | to die on the gallows with | plain he will have a large and atten| prove | beneficial to the western | have considerable weight with reative audience."

SPIRITS TURPENTINE. - Charlotte News: The last Legislature cost the State seventy thousand dollars, but it was money wel

- Charlotte Observer: The government this week sold the Raleigh dispensary 240 gallons of contraband whiskey for \$1.15 per gallon. No wonder this great moral institution makes more money than anything

else at Raleigh. - It is stated that Hon. Thos. Settle will be a candidate before the present administration for United States district attorney for the western district of the State. It is likely to develop before the matter is determined, that Mr. Settle has company.

- At Salisbury Friday afternoon Joe White, a young man giving his home as Parsons, Kansas, was swinging to a freight train, and in some way that he could not explain, was thrown under the cars. Both feet were badly mashed, and one of them had to be amputated at the ankle. strike. The company promises more The other was partly saved. The young fellow had been drinking, but did not appear to be entirely under the influence of whiskey.

- Fayetteville Observer, March 10th: We call the attention of President Roosevelt to the following piece of news: Last night the wife of Mr. Frank H. Overby, who lives near the Fair Grounds, gave birth to three children, all boys. Two of them weighed 71 pounds each, and the other one weighed 8 pounds. The children have not yet been named. The fond father is being showered with congratulations to-

- Charlotte Observer: It is said that Governor Glenn has 1,500 or more applications for the eight directorships in the North Carolina Railroad. The compensation which one of these places carries is a pass, but that is sufficient to fire the average ambition. A railroad pass is one of the most beautiful things that ever came down the pike. It is a study in pasteboard, and while he may waive it aside, the man who professes that he does not covet one, nor envy his neighbor who totes one, will bear watching.

- North Carolina's last Legislature deserves credit for having this train stop at New York?" passed a law which restricts very sharply the possibilities of obtaining divorce papers in that State. There was a battle royal in the Legislature | New York Press. over the movement to make divorce less easy, but) the advocates of restriction finally achieved a great victory. What is known as the Biblical cause is practically the only one now recognized in the North Carolina courts. Lax divorce laws are a crying scandal in many States, and the growth of sentiment against them is most gratifying.

- At Marshall, Madison county, the Superior Court the past weel convicted Peter Smith, a white man, of criminal assault on a 15. year old white girl. Judge Moore yesterday [sentenced him to death. Smith is 65 years of age, and the crime for which he was convicted was one of the most brutal in the history of the county. Several years ago he was tried, charged with criminally asssaulting and murdering his step-daughter. The evidence, however, was insufficient. and he came clear. Another criminal assault case was taken up in the Madison court Thursday and this trial will likely consume the remainder of the term. The defendant is a white man, some 20 years of age, who is charged with criminally assaulting a married white woman of feeble mind, and more than 40 years of age.

- Charlotte Observer: Mr. Louis Guion, who for five or six years has Dealer. been manager of the Hooper duck mill at Columbia, S. C., is coming here to live. He will make Charlotte his headquarters, but will work at Mountain Island and elsewhere for the Hooper estate. Recently the Hoopers have sold their intere ests in the duck trust, but Mr. Guion is to be retained by them. He may have something to do with the deal pending on the Catawba river. It is certain that he is coming here within a very short time. It is reported that Charlotte is soon to have a knitting mill, but the names of those connected with the project are not known. "I know that Gould, of New York, and others are contemplating buying and developing the Rock Island water power in lower Steele creek," said a Charlotte business man yesterday. "and the purpose of those concerned is to come to Charlotte with street car lines and power. This would mean a great deal for Charlotte." Mr. W. D. McNeill, of Fayetteville, has ar- | 9th infantry, has been detailed by the rived in the city and will complete War Department as professor of milithe building of the Mecklenburg

Cotton Mill.

that there is a large shoe house in Charleston, S. C., that expects to certain kinds of straw hats, etc., the formula for which is now being prepared. It has been found by experiment that the best kind of tale for making the polish is found the Hillman hotel. Mr. Wiley is a in western North Carolina, and it nephew of Congressman W. H. is expected that this material will Wiley, of New Jersey and Congressbe used almost exclusively. It is man A. A. Wiley, of Alabama. said that a well known druggist of On account of a spreading rail the Charleston, who is interested in the southbound express on the Buffalo, We are awfully sorry, but Con- proposed manufactory, has written to Mr. Chas. J. Harris, of Dillsboro, relative to supply and price, mont station, three miles south of made for a large quantity of the of DuBois, Pa., was killed and nine mineral. The western North Caro persons injured. line talc is whiter than that found elsewhere, and therefore makes it especially desirable for the new brand of polish. The company that intends making the polish has al- business combinations is to proseready made contracts for placing a cute under the criminal laws those large quantity of its goods on the who are believed to be guilty of this section of the State in its man- fair article of justice is furnished

- A dispatch from Asheville on

Friday says: It is learned here

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NEW YORK, March 11.—Realizing that their fight against the Interborough Company had been lost, the old employes of the Subway and Elevated railway today crowded the offices of the company seeking their former positions. Some 3,000 men applied for reinstatement but not more than 500 were accepted, the officials claiming to be satisfied with the men who had enabled them to break the strike and announcing that in future the rules as to sobriety would be more strictly auhered to. All applicants were notified that they had to pass the physical ex amination and go to work as new men which means those who went on strike would lose their seniority and the increased pay they had won for length of service. Messrs. Jencks and Pepper, the strike leaders, admitted that the fight had been lost and advised the men to get back their posttions if they could. As for themselves, the officers said they would not again work for the company. Mr. Jencke held the press responsible for the result, contending that the papers had aroused a hostile sentiment. The strikers bitterly denounce their lead-

STRIKE FIZZLED OUT.

Many of the Men in New York Are Re-

turning to Work-Strikers Deounce Leaders.

By Telegraph to the Morning Star.

The service on the subway and elevated systems has not yet reached the efficiency that prevailed before the regularity and frequency of trains by Monday morning. Few accidents, as d they or a trivial nature, occurred during the day.

ers, saying the men were deceived by

TWINKLINGS.

- "I wonder why Osler did not advise the chloroforming of women when they get to be sixty years old?" "He probably knows that women never get that old."-Houston Post. -Glles; My wife can drive nails like lightning. Miles: You don't mean it! Giles: Sure I do. Lightning, you know, seldom strikes twice in the same place.—Chicago

News. - Sillicus - So they're engaged. eh? Do you suppose it will end happily? Cynicus-Oh, yes. Iunderstand the engagement will be broken any day now .- Philadelphia Record.

- Father-Did you break this vase? Johnny-Yes, father, I cannot lie. Father-No, and you won't be able to sit either when I've done with you. Go and fetch the strap. - New Yorker. - Old Lady Passenger on Empire

State Express (anxiously): "Does

Brakeman (cheerfully): "Well, If it don't, ma'am, you'll see the biggest smash-up you ever heard of. - "With whisky a-gettin' cheaper every day an' the prospects fer a big ice crop good," observed Colonel

Nipper, "It's a mighty improvident chap that won't figure on plantin' a little mint patch this comin' spring. -Louisville Courter-Journa - "It's really very kind of you, Mr. Dumley, to give me your seat," said Miss Koy. "Not at all," replied Dumley. "We men are getting

very tired of being accused of giving up our seats only to pretty girls." Philadelphia Ledger. - Hostess-Charmed to see you I'm sure; but where is your brother? Guest-Well, you see, we're so busy at the office we couldn't both come,

so we had to toss for it. Hostess-Ah, I see-you won. I lost all.—Ally Sloper. - Aunt Jane-"What a man Henry is to tear and swear. You used to say he never lost his temper." Emily-"Yes, that's when he

was paying attention to me. Evla

dently he was saving until after he was married."-Boston Transcript. - "Did you tell the landlord what an awful leak there was in the roof?" "Yes, I told him." "What did he say?" "He said he'd fix the roof as soon as you pay the rent you owe." "Did he? I guess it ain't much of a leak."-Cleveland Plain

Friend-Well, your old love has married your rival, I see. "Discarded Suitor (fiendishly)-S'death! I've got even with him! They will quarrel the first week, fight the second, and separate forever in the third. Friend-Great snakes! What have you done? Discarded Suitor-I presented the bride with one of those fluffy, red-eyed, snarling, barking pet dogs .- N. Y. Weekly.

WARM WIRELETS.

A seat on the New York stock exchange has been sold for \$82,500. This is the high record price. The name of the purchaser is not disclosed.

Richard H. Wright, agent of the Merchants and Miners' Transportation Company at Norfolk and one of the most prominent transportation men in Virginia, died yesterday of pneumonia, aged 50 years.

First Lieutenant Roscoe H. Hearn tary science and tactics at Grdon Institute, Barnesville, Ga, to take effect September 15th next.

The bureau of supplies and accounts, Navy Department, Washington, D. C. will open bids on April 23, for 150,000 pounds of tobacco to be delivered in place on the market very soon a May or June. Hereafter bids for the white polish for shoes, leather belts, annual supply of tobacco will be recelved in the fall. At Birmingham, Ala., yesterday, S. B. Wiley, a well-known traveling

man, was found dead in his room at

Rochester and Pittsburg railroad was wrecked last night near McCal-

- The best way to find out whether there are any unlawful sonable people.—Chicago Chronicle.