

his examination about the details of the tragedy which snatched away his most beautiful daughter, began to assert itself by emotional and slightly raised tones. there was rapt attention on the part of spectators who packed every portion of the large place of justice to its standing capacity. When he finally told about Wilcox's seeming indifference in his great trouble, his lack of sympathy, his failure to lend aid or consolation, there was a subdued rumble of mingled sympathy and indignation.

and threatened to clear the court room.

### THE COURT THRONGED.

There was a dense crowd when court sisters were in their seats promptly. The Judge Cropsey seemed stirred with great Misses Cropsey did not appear until late. emotion and his voice was slightly raised Then the court ordered seats vacated and as he said he did not consider Wilcox's they sat behind the prosecuting lawyers. Attorney Cropsey, of New York, sat near them and took notes.

tarily with Mr. Aydlett or some other E. V. Davenport said during the search for Nell's body, he saw Jim Wilcox and a young man by the name of Lowery opposite the brick yard. Witness said when the dragging party hooked something in the river he thought Wilcox turned pale.

Harley Meades, who said he was 17 years old, boarded at the Wilcox home and slept with Jim Wilcox, was sworn. Witness said they slept in a back room upstairs, that they retired between 9 and 10 o'clock and did not know anything from then until morning, not when they came and took Wilcox from the bed.

Being recalled by the defense Meades said he saw Jim's clothes hanging up in the usual place next morning, behind the door.

Harry T. Greenleaf said he had measured several distances since court adjourned last night as follows:

From Norfolk and Southern dock to Barnes' bar, 1,300 feet; from bar to point been stated. near Ives, 3.179 feet. Witness said it was 2,500 feet from the Ives point to the Cropsey gate. This tends to prove unaccounted for time.

#### LITTLE LIGHT FROM PARKER.

Caleb T. Parker was called. He said on the night of last November 20, he was the premises for the picture claimed to at Frog Island. He started towards Elizabeth City. He rode about five milse to Meades' store and stopped. It was about 7 or 8 o'clock. 'Witness stayed at Meades' about an hour. He next stopped at Mack Fletcher's place. He saw Mr. Fletcher, John Cartwright and others. He stayed there an hour or more and said when he was asked the time, it was about 10 o'clock. The instructions had previously been He stayed a few minutes more and then proceeded to town.

Witness said he met some people, a man and a woman, both about the same its exceeding good order and hoped it height, near the Cropsey gate. He did not recognize either the man or the woman.

On cross-examination by Mr. Aydlett, for contempt. Parker said he had been knowing Jim Wilcox some years. He also met other persons that night, for the road along there is much travelled. He did not see the man's face, nor the woman's.

CHARLIE REID TESTIFIES.

Charlie Reid, said he was deputy sheriff. Mr. Tox Wilcox sent for him Saturday desirous of cratorical powers. Continuing night after the disappearance. He saw began talking to Jim about the case and to justice, but the eyes of Pasquotank is excellent and the club will be managed the President. It opens wide the door people told him if he knew anything he should county are upon you. The eyes of the by Mr. Edgar Bear.

Brooklyn High School. She read quite a sistance of the United States revenue number of books. Most were from the cutter Algonquin and several tugs. Sunday School library. He said Nell was of lively disposition, but was timid and and up until this morning the crew was afraid to go out alone at night. Nell was on the bridge with nothing to eat or a good swimmer. Judge Cropsey said drink, hoping to be rescued. In the that during all the trouble Jim Wilcox meantime the sea fell and having but had offered him no consolation or assistone boat the life savers only managed to ance. He said in answer to a question take part of the crew aboard the Algonfrom Mr. Aydlett that a New York de- quin. Capt. Gaskill, of the life saving tective had been stopping at his house station, rescued the remainder. There

some days but that he did not employ are twenty-seven in the crew. All were the detective. He had never asked Jim saved but are badly weather beaten. Judge Jones rapped sharply for order for any assistance, he said, in response The steamship and cargo are a total , to Mr. Aydlett's question.

Asked if Wilcox had not been over to, The schooner yacht picked up by Mersee him with Deputy Sheriff Reid and ritt's tug off Hatteras and towed into shown sympathy in the matter, for the Cape Lookout proved to be the Endymon, first opened today. The prisoner and his | first time since he had been on the stand of Boston, and will be towed to New York for repairs.

visits with deputy sheriffs and police

chiefs as trips in the nature of aid on

consolation, but if he had come volun-

citizen he would have regarded it dif-

THOMAS HAYMAN TESTIFIES.

Thomas Hayman, who had worked with

Jim in a marine railway, was called. The

witness said Wilcox told him the reason

he did not help with the search for Nell

Cropsey was that if he should find her

the people would say he knew where the

body was and that he killed her. Hayman

declared Jim was a strong man and could

handle large pieces of timber with ease.

Witness thought he knew what he was

talking about for he considered himself

Lettie said she had searched all about

have been given Nell, but nothing of it

"We rest for the State," said District

Mr. Bond-"If your honor please, that's

Then there was consultation about the

order in which the speakers should come.

handed in to the judge. The instructions

ARGUMENT IS BEGUN.

Mr. McMullan made the first speech.

a pretty good man.

night of November 20.

the case for the defendant.'

was seen.

Attorney Ward.

were not argued.

ferently. His words were applauded.

# TO HOLD A BIG FAIR.

### Associations of Greensboro, Burlington and Winston May Unite

(Special to News and Observer.) Greensboro, N. C., March 18 .- The man-

agement of the Fair Associations of Greensboro, Winston and Burlington is understood to be considering the advisability of uniting the three associations and holding the biggest fair and race meet in the history of North Carolina during the coming fall. The plan is to been arousel by the murder of the Presipool the premiums, purses and all other dent." To his mind it was a well considinterests of the three fairs, thus insuring the best attractions and fastest rac- and the amendment offered by Mr. Baing ever seen in this State. The purses for trials of speed would aggregate the conditions or by the law.

\$6,000, while a large sum would be given THE AFTERNOON SESSION. in premiums. The secretaries of the The prosecution wanted to prove that three fairs held a meeting here a few the trousers Jim Wilcox today wore in days ago and discussed the matter. Afthe court house were not those worn on ter conferring with their stockholders the night of Nell's disappearance as had they will meet again and come to some

conclusion in the matter. The united made by Mr. Bacon. He suggested that Miss Ollie Cropsey and Miss Lettie fair would probably be held in Greens-Cropsey, sisters of the dead girl, were boro during the week of the State Fair tions to the bill were founded not on a sworn. Each testified that the pants at Raleigh. worn today were not those he had on the

## Little Felix Zollicoffer Dead.

(Special to News and Observer.) Weldon, N. C., March 18 .- Felix Zolli-

coffer, the little son of Dr. and Mrs. D. B. Zollicoffer, died here last night of pneumonia. The remains were laid to rest at half past three o'clock this afternoon. ment made by Mr. Mason-criticism Bishop Cheshire preached a fine sermon which he felt reflected upon him personat Grace church here Sunday night. Some of Weldon's citizens are again there was a Senator on the Republican agitating the question of a public bridge side who believed he could be guilty of here over the Roanoke, but there appears defending anarchists or their schemes to be a strong opposition among a good or a Senator who believed that he had

Judge Jones congratulated the crowd on many to the plans proposed. would continue decorous. He warned A lively little snow storm raged here against any demonstration and said if he this morning for about half an hour and found any man guilty he should be fined the local weather prophets say the fruit is killed. There was ice in the buds.

# Wilmington Baseball.

He began by saying he was sick with fever, that his associates had agreed he (Special to the News and Observer.) Wilmington, N. C., March 18 .- With honor or integrity of purpose. should open, that the solemnity of the occasion appalled him, that though con-Col. Walker Taylor as chairman a comscious of weakness he was never more mittee is actively at work for subscrip-Jim and went on out of the house and important not only to the defendant and decided in a few days with the outlook caught in the act of taking the life of

amendment to the first paragraph of the the The steamship broke in two yesterday, and up until this morning the crew was on the bridge with nothing to eat or assassin of a President if the assault and cutting which was general for a upon the President was committed "be- time. cause of his official position or for the

purpose of destroying the Government RALEIGH MAN FALLS AMONG or impairing the exercise of its constitutional powers.'

Mr. Vest, of Missouri, suggested the They Drug and Rob Fred Marks and Leave possibility of a Federal jury acquitting Him For Dead. Now He Must Work an assassin of the President, because the motive as specified by Mr. Bacon's

amendment had not been proved. In such (Special to News and Observer.) a case, he asked, would the assassin be Newport News, Va., March 18 .- Fred liable to indictment under the State law? Marks, a cigar maker, hove into port from Mr. Bacon said an assault upon the Raleigh yesterday with his pockets well President might be a crime against the lined with greenbacks and fell among person and it might be a crime against thieves, who drugged him and robbed him the Government. The purpose of his and left him for dead in an alley before amendment was to differentiate between the night was done.

the two crimes. Marks was found in a semi-unconscious Mr. Bacon contended that an assault condition by two policemen shortly after upon the President as a person ought to midnight. Physicians restored him to be punished precisely as any similar of- consciousness after several hours of hard fense against any other citizen was

Mr. Mason said the present was a bad

Mr. Bacon replied with some evidences

of heat to the criticism of his amend-

time to fix special pleading for anar-

chistic criminals.

the measure.

rgument.

work. punished; otherwise an official class Marks is unable to describe the men would be created in the United States. or women who robbed him. He has only The foundation stone of our Governfaint recollection of visiting a number ment, he maintained, was absolute of resorts with several variety actors equality before the law.

and female concert hall performers. This Mr. Mason, of Illinois, said the pendafternoon when arraigned in police court ing bill was "but the formation and none of his companions of the night came shape of public opinion which thrice had to his assistance and being unable to immediately show that he was not a vagabond. Marks was committed to the chainered and thoroughly mature measure gang. He will have to work on the streets as a sweeper until he can give bond. con, he thought, was not warranted by

### WANTED D B HILL TO SPEAK.

on the Streets.

Wake Forest Literary Societies After Him. It is "On to Charleston "

In the course of legal and constitutional argument in support of the bill, (Special to the News and Observer.) Mr. Hoar replied to some of the points Wake Forest, N. C., March 18 .- The literary societies of Wake Forest are Mr. Bacon's amendment and his objectrying to obtain the consent of Senator David B. Hill to deliver the commencespecial rule of law, but a special rule ment address before the societies. of escape for the criminal specified by There is much interest taken here in

the Charleston Exposition, especially Mr. Bacon took sharp exception to the since the Exposition number of the News criticism of Mr. Hoar, asserting that the

and Observer, and a number of the stu-'unjustifiable'' and "misrepresented" his week. A special car is being talked of.

### A HEAVY CRIMINAL DOCKET

#### Jim Walker, the Would be Poisoner, Among the Prisoners. ally. He demanded to know whether

(Special to News and Observer.)

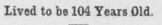
presented anything that would afford a dccket for several terms. method of escape of anarchists from There is now enough evidence obtained just punishment when guilty of an asault upon the President.

Mr. Mason replied that he certainly are in jail at Swan Quarter to be tried believed what he had said and was wilat the next term of Hyde court for murling to state it again. The Senator from dering Capt. Roy Williams at Swar Georgia knew, however, that he was in-Quarter. capable of reflecting upon his (Bacon's)

The negro Jim Walker, who attempted to kill Dr. Taylce's family with arsenic, "What I said," replied Mr. Mason, Monday, is imprisoned to await trial 'was that the amendment offered by tions to the State Baseball League to the Senator from Gorgia was a basis of To gratify his hatred against the negro he said: "Your decision, gentlemen, is put Wilmington in. The matter will be special pleading for men who shall be nurse Walker came near committing wholesale murder by killing six other ton are to have plans prepared and infor special pleading. What I said did The month of March has been a scries neighborhood of \$25,000.

# earch For Calvin Jones Continues.

(Special to News and Observer.) Suffolk, Va., March 18 .- The whereabouts of Calvin Jones is still a deep mystery, his friends are greatly alarmed over his absence, as this is the eighth THIEVES AT NEWPORT NEWS. a meeting last night appointed a commitee to make diligent search, with power to draw on the treasury for all needed funds. A short while ago he told some of his friends that if they missed him they would either find him in South Africa or the Philippines.



(Special to the News and Observer.) Fayetteville, N. C., March 18 .- At the age of 104 years a negro woman has died

twenty-five children, ten still alive, the leston. youngest fifty-eight years old. Of nine children seventy-eight grand children are now living. The woman was a slave of

she always remained, being in full pos- for eighteen years. session of her faculties up to a short time of her death.

# Electric Light Plant Sold.

(Special to the News and Observer.) Shelby, N. C., March 18.-Today the lectric light plant, which has been shut

the town. The plant was sold some time ago under execution and bought by the creditors, who sold it today for four thousand dollars.

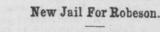
# Salisbury Canning Factory.

(Special to the News and Observer.) Salisbury, N. C., March 18 .- Machinery and cans for a new canning factory have been ordered. With \$10,000 paid up capital a company has been organized in which are Messrs. M. L. Bean, D. L. Massachusetts Senator's statements were dents expect to visit it during Easter Arey, S. F. Lord and James Moyle. The company will can all fruits and vegetables and whil be ready for this year's

> Senator Money at Davidson. (Special to the News and Observer.)

Davidson College, N. C., March 18,-Washington, N. C., March 18 .- At the Dr. Henry Louis Smith has secured from ext term of court there will be more Senator Money, of Mississippi, an accriminal cases than have been on any one ceptance of the invitation to deliver the commencement address at Davidson. He is among the ablest of the Senators and

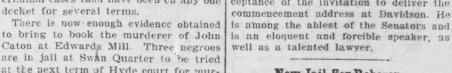
well as a talented lawyer.



(Special to the News and Observer.) Lumberton, N. C., March 18 .- A fine

Washington, March 18 .- Secretary Long Marietta, dated Colon today:

"Liberal army has gained a victory. Jr., and Mr. R. D. Caldwell, of Lumber-Rebels have possession of country west vite bids. The jail is to cost in the of Panama. Fighting expected on the isthmus.'



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## Motion For Change of Venue For New Trial Denied.

### (Special to News and Observer.) Asheville, N. C., March 18 .- The jury

in the Breese case, which has been beday since he was last seen. The Elks at fore the Federal Court here for the past two weeks, failed to agree and a mistrial has been declared and the jury discharged. Eleven jurors stood for convicticn and one for acquittal. Motion for change of venue for new trial was denied. An effort will be made to get the case heard again at once. The Dickerson case will be heard at the June term in Charlotte. A renewal of bond for Breese and Dickerson for fifteen thous-

and collars was submitted and accepted by the court. Penland requested in Cedar Creek. She was the mother of that hs case not be removed for Char-

Rev. Richard Wainwright, aged seventy-two, died here yesterday. Dr. Wainwright was a native of England. the Jonathan Evans family, with which He has been rector at Bowman's Bluff

### GENERAL MA DEFEATED.

### Forced Back by the Rebels After Two Days of Fighting.

(By the Associated Press.)

Hong Kong, March 18 .- General Ma. down for two months, was sold by the has been defeated by the Kwang-Si creditors to McMurry & Miller, who will rebels, who have taken possession of start it at once and give good lights to Fang Cheng. They have killed or captured all the mandarins and have looted the town.

General Ma attacked the rebel strongholds, but after an engagement, lasting two days, was forced to retreat. The rebels then established their headquarters at Fang Cheng.

The rebellion is spreading rapidly in the provinces of Kwang Si, Kwang Tung and Yun Nan.

A letter received here from Tien Pai, fifty miles from Kwang Chou says all business is suspended there owing to fear of the rebels. Marshal Su is at Lien Chou and General Ma is at Kao Chou (both in Kwang Tung province). Both of these commanders are awaiting reinforcements. They wish to join their forces, but the rebels are holding all the intervening passes and prevent a junction of the government troops. Many of the imperial soldiers are joining the rebels, owing to the superior pay offered

them and the opportunity for looting. The rebel leader is Hung Ming, a relative of the celebrated Hung Sou Cheun, leader of the Tai Ping rebellion

## LIBERALS GAIN A VICTORY.

And Fighting on the Isthmus is Expected to Follow.

(By the Associated Press.)

jail is to be built for Robeson county and has received, the following cablegram a committee, consisting of County Attor- from Commander Rodgers, of the gunboat ney A. W. McLean, Mr. E. K. Proctor,