

PISTOL SHOT ENDS MRS. ED. JONES LIFE

During Her Illness She Uses
Weapon on Herself.

HER LIFE A HAPPY ONE

The Body Was Taken to Her Old Home at
Franklinton Yesterday for Burial,
Accompanied by Sor-
rowing Friends.

The sound of a pistol shot in the bed-
room, at five o'clock yesterday morning,
and in a moment the horror stricken
husband and relatives of Mrs. Kate
Cheatham Jones found her dying, a
pistol at her side and a wound in the
temple telling the sad story.

Mrs. Jones was about thirty-three years
old, the wife of Mr. E. L. Jones, collector
for the Seaboard Air Line freight
office. Their residence is on East Jones
street, where they lived alone, having no
children. Her body was taken yesterday
to her old home in Franklinton for
burial.

On Wednesday Mrs. Jones seemed well
and in good spirits when her husband
left home in the morning for his work.
He returned for dinner at two o'clock,
and he found the door locked and the
house closed, supposed that Mrs. Jones
was with a neighbor. Not being uneasy
he came down town and took dinner.

Returning after work was over for
supper he was surprised to find the door
still locked. He found a way to get into
the house and found his wife in bed, ill
and unconscious. At once he called on
his neighbors for assistance and sum-
moned a physician, who reached Mrs.
Jones about 8 o'clock.

I was found that Mrs. Jones had been
attacked by apoplexy and that coma had
resulted from this. The physician found
her in a very bad condition, prescribed
for her, and returned at midnight when
he found that she was improving and was
able to talk to him. He left, expecting
to return in the morning.

Mr. Jones had telegraphed to his wife's
brother, Mr. E. J. Cheatham, and to her
sister, Miss Sue Cheatham at Frank-
linton, calling them here on account of
the critical illness of Mrs. Jones. They
reached here at 4 o'clock yesterday
morning, and going at once to the house
releaved the neighbors who had been
sitting up with Mrs. Jones.

Shortly after their arrival Mr. Jones
lay down in an adjoining room to rest,
while Miss Cheatham remained with her
sister. Just about five o'clock, while
Mrs. Jones was apparently resting easy,
Miss Cheatham stepped into an adjoining
room. She had hardly left before she
heard a pistol shot. She thought at first
it was a cartridge in the fire, but re-
turning at one found that Mrs. Jones had
shot herself.

The wound was inflicted with a pistol.
It was one Mr. Jones had recently pur-
chased and left with his wife for her
protection. Mrs. Jones had it under her
pillow and as Miss Cheatham left the
room, drew it out, placed it to her right
temple and pulled the trigger. The ball
entered the right temple, passed entirely
through the brain and lodged in the bone
of the left temple.

The shock was a terrible one to Mr.
Jones and the others. At once a physi-
cian was summoned. Mrs. Jones was
barely alive when he arrived, and lived
about ten or fifteen minutes after she
fired the fatal shot.

The home is spoken of as a happy one
by the neighbors, and the only cause that
can be found for the rash act, was that
the apoplectic stroke and the suffering
which accompanied this, had temporarily
deranged Mrs. Jones, and that, not know-
ing what she did, she used the pistol
which came to her hand as she passed
it under the pillow.

Yesterday at noon the body was taken
to Franklinton for burial. With it went
Mr. Jones, the relatives and many
friends. On the casket there were
numerous beautiful floral remembrances.
Among the ladies who went to Frank-
linton were Mrs. J. C. Ellington and
Mrs. Ernest Martin.

The pall bearers who accompanied the
remains to the depot are Messrs. C. F.
Lumsden, J. F. Jordan, W. W. Parish,
Marvin Harris, E. C. Tucker and Thos. A.
Green. Rev. G. T. Adams of the Central
Methodist church, also accompanied the
stricken family to the depot.

Mrs. Jones, formerly Miss Kate
Cheatham, was the daughter of the late
Captain Cheatham, of Franklinton, and
a niece of Dr. W. T. Cheatham. She has
been married six years, but there were
no children. She leaves three brothers,
Capt. R. J. Chatham, a Seaboard Air
Line freight agent in Atlanta; Mr. J. B.
Cheatham, of Atlanta, and Mr. E. J.
Cheatham, of Franklinton. Her surviv-
ing sisters are Miss Sue Cheatham, of
Franklinton; Mrs. A. W. Austin, of Louis-

PRIZE FIGHTER'S HEART.

Coffee Shown to be the Cause of His
Weak Heart.

Frank Wallis, the Illinois champion
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it finally put me in such a condition that
training for any fight was almost im-
possible.

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ertion always made me very tired. I
could not understand it, for I was other-
wise well and strong, until one day, in
training quarters, a friend and admirer
of mine asked me if I drank coffee. I
told him, 'yes,' and he said that was
what ailed me.

"This was two weeks before an im-
portant fight of mine was due. He ex-
plained how coffee affected the heart
and nerves and told me of the good qual-
ities of Postum Food Coffee. I immedi-
ately commenced to use it in place of
coffee. The result was wonderful. My
nervousness left me, my breathing both-
ered me no more, my confidence returned,
and I was as good as ever in a short
time.

"I returned victor of the fight, which
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burg.

Mrs. Jones was a woman of a lovely
character and was a devout member of
the Methodist church. Her married life
was a happy one and her stricken hus-
band is crushed by the blow which has
darkened his home. She was a kind and
considerate friend and neighbor, and
deep grief is felt by all who knew her,
while the entire people of this city feel
the deepest sympathy for those who are
bereaved.

STATE CRIMINAL STATISTICS.

The Attorney General's Report Shows 17,610
Cases in Two Years.

The report of Attorney General R. D.
Gilmer for presentation to the Legisla-
ture has been completed, and from it
is obtained some interesting statistical
facts concerning crimes committed in the
State and the disposition made of them.

From July 1, 1900, to July 1, 1901, the
total number of criminal cases in the
courts of the State were 8,309, against
males 7,738, females 571. Of these 4,286
were against whites, 4,010 against col-
ored, and 13 against Indians. The con-
victions, including submissions, were
5,601, acquittals 1,055, nolle prossed 1,555,
otherwise disposed of 88.

From July 1, 1901, to July 1, 1902, the
total cases were 9,301, males 8,634, fe-
males, 667. Against whites 4,951, against
negroes 4,239, against Indians 11. Con-
victions and submissions 6,418, acquittals
1,183, nolle prossed 1,594, otherwise dis-
posed of 106.

An examination of the cases for these
two years shows a curious coincidence,
as the numbers run very near together.

The cases of capital felony tried from
July 1, 1900, to July 1, 1901, were: Arson
6, burglary, first degree 22, murder, first
degree 67, rape 18. From July 1, 1901,
to July 1, 1902, arson 7, burglary, first
degree 13, murder, first degree 40, rape 19.

RURAL LIBRARY PLAN

In Eighty-Seven Counties With
408 Libraries.

These Comprise 32,640 Books Costing \$12,240
Besides Those Started by Aid of Pri-
vate Donations.

The extent and growth of the rural
library plan, as provided for by the last
Legislature, as shown in the statistics
prepared at the office of the State Super-
intendent of Public Instruction fully
demonstrates the wisdom of the action
in establishing these.

Eighty-seven counties have taken ad-
vantage of the act by which, after \$10 is
contributed by private subscription, \$10
is given by the county and \$10 by the
State. The only counties which have not
yet established libraries are Alexander,
Camden, Carteret, Clay, Dare, Gra-
ham, Jones, Martin, McDowell and
Pender.

In the eighty-seven 408 libraries have
been established on the lines indicated.
In addition there have been established
in Durham county through the liberality
of Gen. Julian S. Carr and in other
counties a number of libraries beyond
the six allowed each county. In Durham
there are now 27 libraries.

In the 408 libraries established under
the act there are 32,640 books, an aver-
age of 80 volumes to each library, and
these cost \$12,240. In these there is
provided the best of reading for thou-
sands of people who heretofore had no
access to such literature as is now of-
fered them.

The class of books in use is of the
highest, and there is no doubt that
there are a larger number of books in
use than is given by the official figures.
These do not include the books in the
libraries established without county or
State aid.

The appropriation of \$5,000 from the
State is not yet exhausted, as there is
still on hand a surplus of \$920, enough
to start 92 more libraries. Sixty of these
can be established in the ten counties
not yet having libraries and 32 in the
counties not yet having six in each
county.

It is believed that before the Legisla-
ture meets the full amount of \$5,000 will
have been put in use, as applications for
the library fund are coming in now al-
most every day.

The vote for a special tax in school
district No. 13 in Hickory township, last
Friday, was: For the tax 11, against, 22.—
Newton Enterprise.

WILL MR. ADAMS GO?

Pastor of Central Church May
go to Trinity, Durham.

If so, Rev. R. C. Beaman Would Remain at
Washington.—The Officers of Central
Church up in Arms Against It.

It was reported in Raleigh yesterday
that Bishop Coke Smith had decided to
grant the request of the Methodists at
Washington and re-appoint Rev. R. C.
Beaman to the pastorate of that church.
The same report was to the effect that
Rev. G. T. Adams, pastor of Central
church, Raleigh, had been appointed to
Trinity church, Durham, in place of Mr.
Beaman. There were various reports as
to who had been selected to succeed Mr.
Adams at Central church. One report
put down Rev. F. M. Shamburger, ap-
pointed to Fifth Street church, Wilming-
ton; another Rev. L. E. Thompson, ap-
pointed to Washington, and another Rev.
J. D. Bundy, new pastor at Hender-
son.

It turns out that these reports are all
incorrect. The Bishop has made no
change in the appointments announced
at conference. They stood last night as
read out at Wilmington by the Bishop.
The News and Observer makes this state-
ment by authority. The earnest and vig-
orous protest of the Washington Meth-
odists against the removal of Rev. R. C.
Beaman has reached the Bishop. He is
giving it careful consideration. He has
asked the advice of certain presiding
elders, and in connection with the con-
sideration that is being given the mat-
ter, the suggestion is being seriously
considered of sending Rev. Mr. Adams to
Trinity church, Durham. It is under-
stood that the congregation of that
church, when it became necessary to have
a new preacher, expected that either Mr.
Beaman or Mr. Adams would be sent to
that church, and that the appointment
of either would have been acceptable to
the congregation. As far as the reports
as to the successor to Mr. Adams at
Central is concerned, that was mere
guessing.

As soon as the officers of Central
church learned that there was a sugges-
tion that they might lose their pastor,
they began to protest as vigorously as
the Washington people are protesting
against losing Mr. Beaman. They declare
that Mr. Adams has done a great work at
their church and that peculiar condi-
tioned demand that he fill out a full four years'
term. He has already been on the work
three years. They recognize that in the
matter of salary the change would be of
great advantage to Mr. Adams, but they
insist that for the best interest of their
church, as well as the church at large,
Mr. Adams ought not to be taken from
them. They do not merely protest; they
are deeply in earnest about the matter
and have made known to the Bishop and
other church leaders their unyielding and
determined opposition to giving up their
pastor. They do not go to the length of
saying they would not receive another
pastor, but their opposition to the con-
templated change is none the less de-
termined.

Meanwhile Mr. Adams has nothing to
say. He, of course, appreciates deeply
the manifestation of the confidence and
esteem shown him by his flock. He says
he is a loyal Methodist preacher, ready
and glad to do whatever the Bishop, in
his wisdom, deems best. Every year
since Mr. Adams has been at Central
church, he has been in demand at other
charges that pay better salaries.

NO REFLECTION ON MR. THOMPSON.

In this connection it should be stated
that the action of the church at Wash-
ington in no sense is a reflection upon
Rev. L. E. Thompson, who has been as-
signed to that church. Headlines in this
paper gave a misleading impression. A
letter written by a leading official at
Washington to Mr. Thompson expressly
disclaims any feeling of unkindness for
him. The whole difficulty is the unex-
pected removal of the pastor of the Wash-
ington church and the consequent disap-
pointment. The Washington people have
no purpose or desire to reflect in any
manner upon the ability, character or
fitness of Mr. Thompson, who is a wise,
prudent and conservative man, who is
held in the highest esteem by the peo-
ple of every charge he has served. The
Washington people would soon learn to
esteem him as highly as they now esteem
Mr. Beaman.

WASHINGTON COLORED METHODISTS
ALSO DISSATISFIED.

The negro is an imitative creature. The
Washington white Methodists, objecting
to losing their preacher say they

will not receive the new preacher as-
signed though they have no objection to
him. The negro Methodists go their
white brethren one better, as the follow-
ing from yesterday's Washington Mes-
senger and Gazette shows.

"Rev. N. D. King, who has been the
pastor of the Zion M. E. church in this
city for four years, was removed at the
recent session of the conference and as-
signed to another field, and a new pas-
tor sent to Washington. He arrived last
week and preached his first sermon Sun-
day, and this week the officials of the
church have notified the Bishop he is not
acceptable to the congregation and de-
mand his removal."

REWARD FOR BISHOP

The Governor Offers \$400 for the Capture of the
Man Wanted in Charlotte.

The search for Arthur L. Bishop, the
travelling salesman, who shot and killed
Mr. J. T. Wilson in Charlotte, goes on,
and there will be more searchers for
him as yesterday Governor Aycock offered
a reward of \$400 for his capture.

Bishop is the man who killed Wilson,
when the latter, after ordering him to
leave, was putting him out. Mrs. Wil-
son had found Bishop, her daughter and
another young woman sitting on a table
in a front room, drinking wine, and
Bishop refused to leave when ordered
and then shot Mr. Wilson while at the
door.

Mayor P. M. Brown, of Charlotte, and
Mr. J. H. Weddington, chairman of the
Board of County Commissioners of Meck-
lenburg county, wrote the Governor
stating the facts in the case, and sug-
gested that a liberal reward be offered for
Bishop.

Moros Didn't Catch Them Napping.

(By the Associated Press.)

Manila, Dec. 11.—A force of Moros at-
tacked Camp Vicars, island of Mindanao,
on Tuesday, after seventy days' in-
activity. They were repulsed without
loss on the American side. The Moros
approached stealthily at midnight, but
the Americans were not surprised. The en-
tire force were called to arms and drove
off the attackers. It is believed the hos-
tiles were from the country east of
Lanao which Captain Peshing has not
yet visited.

Praises Mr Hardy.

Mr. H. Ben. Hardy, Jr., has returned
to the city after being for some time
with the company controlled by Mr. J. O.
Atkinson, which has been touring the
South. Mr. Hardy is here for Christmas
with his parents and will rejoin the
company when it resumes work. The
Gainesville (Fla.) Times says of his
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