B. F. BIGGS ASKS FOR \$5,000 FOR DAMAGE TO CHAR-ACTER.

Complaint Alleges That Senboard Air Line Charged Him With Shortage While Agent Which is Alleged is

(Special to News and Observer.)
Wadesbord, June 26.—A novel suit,
the first of the kind in this State,
was filed in the Superior Court yesterday afternoon. Attorney Walter E.
Brock, representing B. F. Biggs, filed
a complaint asking damages in the
sum of 35,900 from the Seaboard Air
Line Railway Company for damages to
his character. In addition Mr. Biggs
also asks as damages the difference
in the amount which he had been receiving as salary as agent and that
which he is now receiving as an operator.

The complaint alleges that in the fall of 1907 Mr. Biggs was the agent of the Scabbard Air Line Railway Company at Wadesboro and that he asked to be checked out as he had accepted a position as the agent of the Atlantic Coast Line at Orange-burg, S. C. The traveling auditor of burg, S. C. The traveling auditor of the company came to Wadesboro and checked out Mr. Biggs and he went to his new position. Some time later the Seaboard Air Line wrote Mr. Biggs and charged him with a shortage of \$437. In reply Mr. Biggs asked for a re-checking and an examination of the books. This the company refused and notified him that unless he settled the alleged shortage that they would report him to the bonding company and demand settlement from them. This was done by the railway company and the bonding company began their efforts to secure company began their efforts to secure the amount from Mr. Biggs. Attorney Brock was employed, and after he had made an examination of the books he demanded that the railway company accede to Mr. Biggs request and re-check him. Finally, after threats of prosecution, the company sent a representative to Wadesboro and the investigation brought out the fact that there was only a shortage of \$4 and that this was the result of a clerical error, and had been made by the auditor in the first examination of the books.

In the meantime Mr. Biggs had been appointed by the Atlantic Coast Line as their agent at Wadesboro and in this position applied to the bonding company for a bond. This was refused on the ground of the accusation brought by the Seaboard Air company began their efforts to secure

tion brought by the Seaboard Air Line. Mr. Biggs was forced to give up his position and accept work as an operator at Columbia, which position he now holds. After some time had elapsed and the second examination was made the bonding company notified Mr. Biggs that they would issue him a bond acknowledging the error



made in the beginning of the con-

troversy. Mr. Biggs has many friends here. and this has been his home throughout his life, who appreciated the trouble which was brought to him through the mistake, and who are happy at his complete vindication. Because of the damage to his character and the loss of wages the suit was brought, and it will be for trial at the next term of the court.

FIRST AT BETHEL.

Survivors of the Battle of Bethel Celebrate the 48th Anniversary. Wakula, N. C., June 26 .- For several years it has been the custom of Mr. W. J. McDonald, of this place, to invite the survivors of the 1st North

Carolina Volunteers and old Veterans generally to meet at his residence on June 10th and celebrate the anniversa-ry of the battle of Bethel, which was

fought on June 10, 1861.
It may be said that Company F, of the 1st North Carolina Regiment was the first to cross the Virginia line in 1861, and of the 120 men who marched under Captain Starr, only twenty are living. Of the officers of the company, Col. J. B. Starr alone sur-

Among those present at the recent celebration at the home of Mr. W. J. McDonald, were Coi. J. B. Starr, Witbur Hall, James Kirkpatrick, Colin McRae, J. H. Belton, of Fayetteville; Albert Bule, R. H. McArthur and Pat McEarchern, of Robeson.

The guests were met at the station by conveyances and carried to the elegant home of Mr. McDonald, where they met a royal reception. Everything was done to make the day an enjoyable one for all present at the celebration

Mr. McDonald is one of the best known farmers of Robeson county. Besides a large vineyard, peach, and apple orchards, Mr. McDonaid has large areas planted in cotton and He also has a large orchard of Japanese plums and other fruit. Last year he raised 103 bales of cotton on 65 acres. The large area of corn will average 50 bushels to the On Mr. McDonald's plantation there

is a large fish pond, fields of melons and scores of bee hives The guests, after they had enjoyed Donald, on the day of the celebration, were conveyed to the station, had been superb.

Sale of Real Estate.

(Special to News and Observer.) Asheboro, N. C., June 26 .-- Mr. E. H. Morris has just sold his residence on the Fisher place in Asheboro to John M. Hammer. It is understood that Mr. C. W. Jennings, of Greensboro, is in the deal with Mr. Hammer. This is a large and valuable location. The consideration is something over ten thousand dollars.

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THE CONFERENCE

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have to be considered scriation. Ass the big work of the conference draw nigh; with the Senate rates soaring with the thermometer, new waves of trouble threaten. Nearly every Republican in the House has had an opportunity to go home and learn the views of his constituents, and what they have heard has on the whole been in condemnation of the tariff bill as it promises to emerge from the Good Road Movement.

At the Capital to Cap tal route good roads meeting in this city this week there were a number of very entertaining talks from men prominent in the nation which were of exceeding interest. One of the best observations came from President Finley o the Southern Railway, who in discussing the economic importance of good roads to the farmer, said: "If the farmer is to be prosperous

all the products of his farm not needed for home consumption must be carried to market. Whatever their final destination may be, they must move primarily over the country highway to the shipping point or to a nearby consuming center. The condition of this highway controls the size of the load that can be carried on it and affects mater ally the profits the hospitality of their host, Mr. Mc- of the farmer and the value of his farm. This was strikingly illustrated by an account which I read recently each realizing that his entertainment of a farmer in North Carolina who was hauling wood to a neighboring town. A splendidly-improved macadam road ran for severa! miles out of th's town, while the rest of the way was an ordinary dirt road, The farmer would haul the largest load possible over the dirt road until he came to the macadam road. There he would throw the wood off by the side of the road and go back for another load. Returning with the second load, he would pile the first one on top of it and drive on to town, hauling just twice as much on the macadam road as he could haul, with the same wagon and the same team on the dirt road." .

CONFERENCE LEAGUE WILL END WITH TODAY

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Shepard Reads Bible, Solomon Shepard has spent the not discuss the situation in which he

finds himself. Sheriff Harward does not verify story that the negro has given the name of the white man who was in the crime with him. The item is making the rounds that Shepard has of this week the accused fled.

is taking things easy today. Bates Says He is Wrongfully Accused Judge Biggs received today a letter from Wesley Bates asking him for a new trial and promising to let him know who really did have something to do with the murder of Jack Rob-

The letter is almost indecipherable but protests that he has been accused wrongfully. The defendant did not go on the stand and was saved from murder in the first degree by a compromise verdict. There was no move promise verdict. There was no move to a higher court by Attorney Lovenstein who was satisfied to save his man from the death penalty, accepting the sentence of Judge Biggs.

Mrs. Kensie Rhodes, aged ninety-five, died yesterday afternoon at her home five miles in the country and was buried this afternoon.

She leaves a daughter, grand-daughter, and four great grandchild-

daughter, and four great grandchild-ren. She was the oldest resident of Durham county at the time of her

MARRIED WOMAN FINED FOR SERIOUS OFFENCE

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he was killed in a direct violation of rule of the company which states be uncoupled only

Friends in the city will be glad to learn of an improvement in the con-Wilmington young man who was been quite sick in the Atlantic Coast L'ne hospital at South Rocky Mount. It s expected that he will be able to leave the hospital within the next several days if there is no relapse. Mr. T. J. Moore, rural letter carrier for route No. 3 from this city, has been cuite sick at his home in this city for the past several days. During his illness his route is being supplied by Mr. G. C. Cooley.

SUDDEN DEATH JAS, MULLIGAN.

Expired Suddenly at Seven Springs— Remains Taken to Altamont, Ill.,

(Special to News and Observer.) Wilson, June 26.-Last Tuesday Mr. and Mrs. James Mulligan left Wilson for Seven Springs, where it was their purpose to remain a week or more Judge of the surprise of his many friends here when a telegram was received stating that he died very suddenly about 11 o'clock last night. The deceased was thirty-seven years old,

The remains will pass through Wilthe midnight train to-night on the way to Altamont, Ill., for inter-

His nephew, Mr. James Mulligan, Mr. James Wilson and Miss Mc Minnimus left on the early morning train for Seven Springs to be with Mrs. Mulligan in her sad hour of bereave-

Mr. Mulligan was a contractor of considerable note—having constructed railroads in Ohio, Indiana, Illinois, Missouri, Texas, Arkansas, Oklahoma and many other States.

He came to Wilson about three years ago and while here had made many fast friends. He held the contract for macadamizing the roads of of award, which will be made as early Wilson County, employing between as practicable. Parties desiring to

It is hoped that the street rumors plication to the undersigned. Each are correct—that he left Mrs. Mulli-gan well provided for, leaving life certified check for five hundred (500)

The hardware business of Mayo Bros. (Inc.), which went into the hands of S. A. Woodard, receiver, a few weeks since, has been purchased by W. C. Mayo, and this morning he threw his doors open to the public.

To Survey Government Building Site.
Wilson's postmaster, Dr. B. T. Person, received from the Treasury Department at Washington yesterday blank proposals for furnishing survey of the site selected by the government, corner Spring and Nash streets, for the erection of the public building in Wilson. The instructions as to the requirements of the government were turned over the relation of the State of North Carolina.

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Dr. Dunaway in Wilson, In the absence of the pastor, Rev T. Jenkins, Rev. J. Manning Dunaway, of Spencer, will preach in the First Baptist church in Wilson Sunday morning and evening.

Masons Attend Funeral"in Rocky Mt Vesterday afternoon the following Masons from the Wilson Commandery attended the funeral of the late Dr. Whitehead in Rocky Mount: Sir Knights R. S. Barnes, Lat Williams, R. R. Mayo, F. N. Bridgers, George E. Thirlwell, Dr. A. F. Williams and

GASOLINE TANK EXLODES

Half a Dozen Men Seriously Burne and Negro Perhaps Drowned.

(By the Associated Press.) Richmond, Va., June 26.—Half a dozen men, all white, were arriously burned and a negro jumped overboard and probably drowned as a result of an explosion of the tank on a gasoline launch in the river here today. The white men, all of whom suffered severely, are, John B. Metzger, Chas. A. Metzger, Chas. Leake, David Wil son, L. A. Welcher and Wm. Wright. The launch caught fire and was

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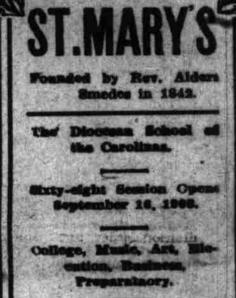
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