EDITOR AND PROPRIETOR.

STRICTLY IN ADVANCE

THE DAY SPEAKS.

I am a funny day, for sad And joyful is my lot; In one land I am more than glad,

One people I surcharge with bliss,

And one I cause to sigh—
The reason of the which is this:
I am the Fourth of July!
—R. K. M., in Harper's Weekly.

The 8 years after July, 1776, were

periods of great suffering and priva-

tion. There was no money to buy

fireworks, because it was all needed

to help carry on the war. The people

who had rejoiced at the first Inde-

pendence Day had, many of them, be-

come very poor, and some were be-

yond all suffering, victims of British

warfare. There were anniversary

"THE STAR-SPANGLED BANNER."

"O say, can you see, by the dawn's early light,
What so proudly we hailed at the twilight's last gleaming,
Whose broad stripes and bright stars through the perilous

O'er the ramports we watched were so gallantly stream

And the rocket's red glare, the bombs bursting in air, Gave proof through the night that our flag was still there, O say, does that Star-Spangled Banner yet wave O'er the land of the free and the home of the brave?

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"On that shore dimly seen through the mists of the deep, Where the foe's haughty host in dread silence reposes,

"And where are the foes who so vauntingly swore
That the havoc of war and the battle's confusion,
A home and a country should leave us no more?
Their blood has washed out their foul foetsteps pollution.
No refuge could save the hireling and slave
From the terror of flight or the gloom of the grave;
And the Star-Spangled Banner in triumph doth wave
O'er the land of the free and the home of the brave.

"O thus be it ever, when freemen shall stand Between their loved homes and the war's desolation;

Blest with victory and peace, may the heaven-rescued land
Praise the Power that hath made and preserved us a

Then conquer we must, when our cause it is just, and this be our motto, 'In God is our trust;' and the Star-Spangled Banner in triumph shall wave y'er the land of the free and the home of the brave."

-New York Ledger.

What is that which the breeze, o'er the towering steep,

Now it catches the gleam of the morning's first beam,

As it fitfully Hows,, now conceals, new discloses?

Tis the Star-Spangled Banner; O long may it wave O'er the land of the free and the home of the brave.

In full glory reflected now shines in the stream,

In one land I am not.

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Fourth of July Story by

Please buy him! first on one foot, then on the hands. other, in his eag-

rather shook his head doubtfully. "He is not large a dog to take care

salled in it m's eager little face, as called. lea's beautiful head. They have taken such a liking to Ben to even consider souther don' he said to Ben's father;

"I'll tell you what I'll do, Mr. Rogers. You may take the dog home with you and keep him for a day. The morrow is the Fourth of July and a holiday, so I will not have any change to sell Don then. Give him a with and then, if you don't want him, bring him back on Thursday morning and exchange him for any due I have."

Do that, please, please,' Thank you so much,

Then, if mamma and I decide we cannot keep him, will you give him up and take another dog instead?" asked Mr. Rogers. "Remember it will be finder to give him up then

"It sould not be much harder." said Pen, with a sigh. "If you say I eannot been him after we give him a trial, I will give him up; but I dan't want any other dog." Ben thrust his hands into his pockets, and, walking to the window, swallewed ourse or twice very hard. Ben's father looked at Mr. Wood with a

"It is hard to refuse the boy," he sald in a law tene. "I think we will have to give Don a trial." Then he added in a tone loud enough for Ben

"All right, Bon. We will take Don home, and keep him a day at least.' Ben run back to them with a bright face, and Mr. Wood said:

"There, Ben, that is better than not having Don at all. Now see what he can do before you take him." Mr. Wood polyced to a newspaper which lay on the floor some distance away. "Bring it here, Don," he commanded; and Don trotted obediently over to the paper, took it up his mouth, and brought it back to Mr.

"Dron It!" said Mr. Wood; and out dropped the paper from Don's mouth, while he wagged his tail and looked from one to the other, as much as to say, "Could any dog do better than

"Now jump!" said Mr. Wood, holding out a long stick; and over Don went like a flash.

"Now give me your right paw." Don held up his right paw, and placed it in Mr. Wood's outstretched hand. "Good!" said Mr. Rogers, laughing. "Does he know the left paw also?" "Left!" commanded Mr. Wood;

and up came the left paw, to Ben's intense delight, "Greef dog!" said Mr. Wood. "He cometimes gets a little puzzled about the right and left paws, but he is evi-

dentir on his good behavior to-day.' After giveral more tricks, which Don performed one after the other, Ben found to his delight that the dog would obey him also, when he used the same words of command that Mr. Wood did. "I will put a pretty collar on him,"

said Mr. Wood, as they were leaving, thy, romped and played together; creeping slowly up the string. and Don apparently was delighted "Pretty! Pretty!" said Dorothy, Rogers said very little about keeping gave a shriek of terror. eld to keep him.

bear in the morning till supper time, reach her in time. the entire cracker about eight inches toward Ben. long and covered with brillfant red "Drop it!" screamed Ben, in an

"Don't light it till your father and for me," begged I are with you, Ben, dear," said mam-

erness, while time; and it was still light when Mr. asleep in her mother's arms, Mr. Don, the beauti- and Mrs. Rogers stood on the veranful red setter, da, watching Ben prop the cracker full of thankfulness. As he stooped his cold nose into Ben's face up ready for lighting. Ben had down to kiss little Dorothy's pretty as plainly as a dog could begged so hard to light it all by him- hair, they heard Ben's voice from the sor, "Yes, do buy me;" but Ben's self that his father had consented, veranda steps, talking to Don. after showing him how to do it.

of in the city," he said. "I wanted off," said mamma, uneasily. "Run to have a sould dog." The dog-fancier fast after you light it, Ben," she you, after what you did, and because

"I will," said Ben.

good give now that I am afraid you gone next door a few minutes before give Don up. Tell him, dear." And to see two pretty maltese kittens they Mr. Rogers called in a voice which had, and Don had followed her over. and the soon found this was the Now Baby Dorothy was ready to Xo other dog would do. At come home before her nurse was, and preciation when he heard it. cach pressy pug or terrier Den shook no one noticed her slipping through "No." he said each time. "If I had not been pleased with the kit- you, too, you precious rascals!" And con't have Don, I don't want any tens at all, when he found they were Ben and Don were happy-oh, so other doc, papa." Finally, the dog- not big enough to chase; and he fol- happy. - Christian Register. fincian, who knew Ben's father very lowed after Dorothy, feeling sure that well and who was very fond of Ben she could not take care of herself even that short distance. Thus it Berlin is said to spend one-eleventh | celebrations, but usually among the

ground, his arms around the brave dog's neck, sobbing.

"Dear, dear Don! You saved Dorothy! You did, you did; and I am so glad you dropped it in time to save yourself."

"And to save you, too!" cried Mr. Rogers. "Brave dog! Brave boy to think of it!"

"Bennie, dear Bennie, and dear Don," was all mamma could say, as Ben, standing ma, anxiously; and Ben promised, she hugged Dorothy close to her.

holding the cracker lovingly in his A little later in the evening, Dorothy, who had been a little frightened The days are long in the summer by the noise and excitement, fell Rogers leaned over them with a heart

"Do you think they will let me "I shall be glad when it is fired keep you now, Don?" he was saying. "I should think they would, wouldn't I love you?"

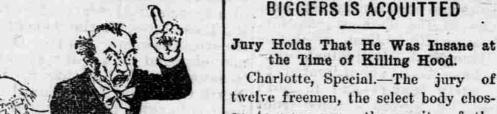
"Oh!" said Mrs. Rogers. "He Little Dorothy with her nurse had doesn't realize that we could never was husky, but so full of happiness, that Don's tail thumped hard in ap-

"Ben, my boy, you may keep Don the gate but Don. He, it happened, all his life. I am proud of him, and

On an average each resident of happened that, just as Ben touched of his income on intoxicating drink. army folk in the field.

THE MONUMENT AT FREDERICK, MD., TO FRANCIS SCOTT KEY,

AUTHOR OF THE "STAR-SPANGLED BANNER,"



twelve freemen, the select body chosen to pass upon the merits of the case of State against W. S. Biggers, charged with the murder on the morning of Tuesday, February 9, of J. Green Hood, reached a verdict Saturday afternoon at 4:45 o'clock, their decision being that the defendant was "not guilty" of the crime as charged.

As noted by every one who followed the trend of this great legal battle whose results held within it the freedom if not the life of Biggers, gave them an ancient, rusty, twothe plea of insanity was the entire issue. It was not that insanity for which the asylums are built and maintained, but that termed various- to order by Dr. J. O. Atkinson, third ly emotional insanity, brain storm, vice president, who invoked a divine and the like, but in this case termed "confusional" insanity.

The case was fought before the bar with the utmost tact and unlimited talent and legal force. No stone, as it were, was left unturned. It was plead that the man had suffered a wrong and that his financial straits had preyed upon his mind till mental confusion had brought him to the gracefully on behalf of the associa- L. Shipman, editor of The Henderstage of not being conscious of the tion. Dr. Atkinson then read the enormity of the deed which he con- annual address of the president, who, templated and actually committed.

stood for acquittal, one for murder the criticisms some politicians and in the first and one for murder in the others make of the press and closed second degree.

The jury had the case just four hours when it became unanimous. The case had taken 11 days in its course.

Shepard the Slayer of Holt. Durham, N. C., Special.—Solomon

Shepard, the negro of mysterious action, has confessed that he killed Engineer Holt near Durham last December and that he had no assistant. affair came Saturday night when Dr. N. M. Johnson went into the jail to attend a sick prisoner. Shepard had spent the day reading the Bible and getting religion. Why he took a before an audience which completely Hamlin, Beaufort Lookout; D. L. St. notion to unburden himself to the doctor, is not known, but he did and said that he slew the engineer that

night without the aid of anyone. The negro tells a reasonable story. There never has been any large number of people who did not believe that Engineer Holt met death meant for shotgun was commonly called a Reuben Barbee eharacteristic, but nobody ever found the motive whereby Reu-Fred Holt. The brothers of the dead was a long one. man believed that their kinsman had been murdered by mistake and the

Suspicion for this crime has been resting on Reuben Barbee who is now

in jail awaiting trial. It seems that Shepard had been put off the train. In his rage he secured a shot gun and went to kill the brakeman who put him off. Not finding his man he fired a random shot, as he says, to scare somebody. This shot put out the life of a popular and most valuable engineer.

Joe Brown is Governor. Atlanta, Ga., Special.—Joseph M. Brown, son of "Joe" Brown, one of Jeffersonian simplicity.

Governor Brown's address was Smith handed Governor Brown the seal of the State of Georgia and the ceremony was complete.

Governor Smith's last official act Saturday was the signing of 15 pardons. Those set free included six murderers and three persons convicted of violationg the prohibition laws.

Firemen Lose Case.

Atlanta, Ga., Special.-The Georgia Railroad strike arbitration board Saturday night decided against the seniority, of white firemen over negroes. The arbitrators, however, hole with their plowing and harvest-placed a premium on intelligence inc. The wheat erop is fine and ripe. among firemen, which it is believed will ultimately result in the gradual pert negro firemen.

From Chicago to Charleston.

Winston-Salem, Special .- The official announcement Saturday by the Atlantic Coast Line and Norfolk and ed to completion within the next 18 months is received with great satisfaction here. The movement for this dent.

Exonerates Man Convicted of Murder Palatka, Fla., Special. — When James Kelly and D. M. Davidson were setenced to life imprisonment the Superior Court last week. The home of D. M. Pennington, a promifor murder, Kelly said: "I accept case is somewhat peculiar. Paris, a nent farmer, living near Spencer, is the verdict of the jury, but as for guard at the convict camp, shot Tom in a desperate condition with what is D. M. Davidson, he is as innocent of Toler, white, a convict, who was un-said to be hydrophobia. The boy was this crime as any man in the hearing der sentence for running a blind seized with fits and, when under the of my voice." The men were con- tiger. The case was of unusual in- influence of the spasm, attempts to victed of the murder of W. C. Sel- terest on account of its connection bite and scrach his friends. The lad lars, a night watchman of the Atlan- with the liquor cases. It was gener- was bit by a dog six months ago and tic Coast Line Railroad three years ally expected Paris would be acquit- no attention was given the matter ago at High Springs, Fla. ted.

TAR HEEL CHRONICLES

Happenings And Doings Gleaned From All Parts Of The Old North State.

STATE PRESS ASSOCIATION.

Annual Convention Held at Hendersonville.-Rev. J. O. Atkinson Elected President and J. B. Sherrill, Secretary-Treasurer.

Hendersonville, Special.-The editors of North Carolina were literally presented with the key to the city Wednesday morning of last week, when, at their opening session held in the court house, Col. S. V. Pickens foot-long jail key, recently uncovered here by workmen in excavating for a new building.

At 9:30 the convention was called blessing upon the town of Hendersonville and the members of the association. Mayor Staton then presented Cel. S. V. Pickens, who cordially welcomed the editors to town. M. L. Shipman, on behalf of the local press, spoke a few words of appreciation and Archibald Johnson, editor of Charity and Children, responded on account of sickness, was unable to brotherly welcome which made all At the first vote of the jury 10 be present in person. It took to task the editors feel at home. Cheer," as the note the press should there.

sound. The association voted audience to the end of his address. Williams, Polk County News.

Thursday morning was pleasantly spent in a drive to Lake Osceola and to Mount Hebron, the pleasure of another man. The wanton use of a which was not marred by a slight shower, which, Mr. J. P. Caldwell remarked, was but a pleasant diversion. The editors and their families went ben Barbee became the assassin of in a body and the string of carriages

The ball at the Gates at night was largely attended and thoroughly enjoyed by both visitors and home people and was distinctly a success.

At the afternoon session the following officers were elected: President, Rev. J. O. Atkinson; first vice president, M. L. Shipman; second vice president, J. R. Swann; third vice president, W. K. Jacobson; secretary and treasurer, J. B. Sherrill; historian, Archibald Johnson; orators, W. C. Hammer and Josephus Daniels; poet, D. F. St. Clair; executive committee, H. A. London, W. C. Dowd, H. B. Varner, Josephus Daniels, D. T. Edwards.

A resolution was adopted condemn-Georgia's war-time Governors, took ing the United States government for Assembly are now almost ready to be office Saturday amid ceremonies of maintaining a job printing office to issued, as the printing of these has ers, and a copy of the resolution was to be completed. brief. At its conclusion Governor ordered sent to every Representative

and Senator of North Carolina. Interesting articles were read by Rev. J. O. Atkinson, Clarence H. Poe and R. R. Clark.

The important address of the day was that of M. V. Richards, land and industrial agent of the Southern

The Wheat Crop is Fine.

Mount Airy, Special .- Never in the history of farming in Surry county have the farmers been in a deeper ing. The wheat crop is fine and ripe, but up to Friday heavy rains have elimination of all except the most ex- fallen daily, rendering it impossible to cut grain and plow corn, etc.

In the Hands of Receiver.

Fayetteville, Special .-- The Consolidated Street Railway and Power Underwood, the young lady struck by Western that the Winston-Salem Company of this city was placed in lightning near her home in Gaston Southbound Railroad would be push- the hands of a receiver by Judge C. county last Thursday afternoon, died C. Lyon, resident judge of this district, at Elizabethtown last week. Sunday morning at 3:30 o'clock without regaining consciousness. The funeral took place at the home Sunthrough line from Chicago to Charles- Mr. W. D. McNeill, president of the day afternoon at 3 o'clock, the serton, with the Twin City as a prom- company, being appointed receiver. vice being in charge of Rev. J. B. inent junction point, was begun about This action will not affect the operat- Tabor, of Mount Holly. The interthree years ago, Col. F. H. Fries and ing value of the property nor the ment was made at Castania church, Mr. Henry E. Fries, of this city, be- progress of Fayetteville. Cars are The funcral procession is said to ing among the leaders in the enter- now running and will be able to have been one of the longest that prise. Henry E. Fries is now presi- handle the great crowds that are ex- ever followed a funeral in Gaston pected here Monday.

Camp Guard is Convicted.

New Bern, Special .- Abner Paris Spencer, Special .- Scott Windows, was found guilty of manslaghter in an orphan boy, aged 13 years, at the

Resolution of Thanks. The following resolutions, offered by Mr. Josephus Daniels for the committee, were unanimously adopted by a rising vote:

"Resolved, That the thanks of the association be and are hereby tendered the Western Union Telegraph Company and the railroad companies for courtesies in the matter of railroad transportation and particularly to the Southern Railway Company, for the courtesy of an excursion to Lake Toxaway; to W. A. Smith, for a car ride to Laurel Park and an enjoyable afternoon at that beautiful resort; to Capt. M. C. Toms and John L. Orr and their associates for extending the courtesies of Mount Hebron; to the management of the Gates Hotel for excellent service and for the courtesy of a ball tendered the association; to Mayor R. II. Staton and the reception committee and all the public spirited citizens who tendered many delightful courtesies, including the mountain drives and to Lake Osceola, and for more pleasures than can be enumerated; to Mr. M. sonville Hustler, and to Mr. T. R. Barrows, associate editor, for their

The association left on a special car Saturday for Lake Toxowith proposing "Optimism and Good way, returning to their homes from

The following eighteen new to wire President Thomas its members were enrolled at the session: appreciation and its regrets that he J. V. Sims, Raleigh Times; was unable to be with them. The nig | W. I. Underwood, Greensboro audience in the court house listened Patriot; J. A. Parham, Fayetteto short talks on timely topics by J. ville Index; Owen G. Dunn, Newbern W. Atkins, J. J. Farriss, H. B. Var- Sun; R. A. Deal, Wilkesboro Chronner and Archibald Johnson. At 2:39 icle; W. E. Pharr, North Wilkesboro p. m., J. F. Hurley read the histor- Hustler; M. L. Yeager, Southern ian's paper. Full of interest and lis- Pullisher; R. E. Ranson, Spring This startling turn in the dreadful tened to attentively was Thad R. Hope Leader; Andrew Joyner, Manning's talk on the subscription Greensboro News Bureau; C. A. price of the weekly newspaper. This Eury, King's Mountain Herald; Clint was followed by the transaction of N. Brown, Salisbury Post; T. II. miscellancous business. At night, Gosorn, Bakersville Kronicle; H. H. filled the big court room, Mr. John M. Clair, Sanford Express; E. P. Pepper, Julian, of The Salisbury Post, deliv- Danbury Reporter; T. R. Barrows, ered the annual oration. He com- Hendersonville Hustler; J. R. Roundmanded the closest attention of his tree, Kinston Free Press; Chas. H.

Rev. F. J. Murdock Dead.

Salisbury, Special.-Rev. F. J. Murdock, D. D., rector of St. Luke's Episcopal church in Salisbury, died suddenly Tuesday morning in Charleston at the home of his brother who he was visiting. He was 63 years old, had been rector of the church here for 35 years and was widely known in both church and business circles. He was president of the Vance Cotton Mills, secretary and treasurer Salisbury Building and Loan Association and was a bank director. He is survived by a widow, one daughter, Mrs. Margaret Bell, and one son, F. J. Murdock, Jr. Heart failure is said to be the cause of his death. The interment took place in Salisbury.

Private Laws Ready.

Raleigh, Special.-The private laws of the session of 1909 of the General compete with the country's job print- been completed, only the index is yet

This is quick work and it follows close on the early publication of the public laws, which were issued early in May. The printing of the laws this session has broken past records for the rapidity in punblication and the State has therefore access to the full information in the laws at a much earlier date than is usual.

Killed by Live Wire.

Greensboro, Special.-Bryan Benton, the 12-year-old brother of James M. Benton, city editor of the Morning Telegram, was instantly killed by a live wire late Tuesday afternoon. The boy was at a lawn party at the Christian church, and with a playmate climbed a tree. His fingers touched an uninsulated electric wire, his leg another, the short-circuit causing him to drop.

Death of Miss Sallis Underwood.

Charlotte, Special .- Miss Sallie county.

Youth Develops Rabies.

until the disease developed this week.

will not ket away from you." Hen, ran away from the cracker, Dorothy with shining eyes and a bright face, and Don came slowly through the led Don out. All that evening Ben gate close to the place where it lay, and Don and Ben's little sister, Doro- the little dangerous yellow flame

with the entire family. Mr. and Mrs. leaning over it. Ben saw her, and

the dog; but Ben felt he had made "Dorothy! Come away!" he called, a good impression, and he hoped, as at the same time making a dash back only a small boy can hope, that some to the fire-cracker. At Ben's cry Mr. Ching would happen to make them de- and Mrs. Rogers ran after him, calling to the baby; but she was too The next day, the Fourth of July, little to understand what was the Bet was occupied all day with shoot- trouble. There was no time to be has of fire-crackers, from an early lost. Ben knew none of them could

bang Don at first was a little afraid Good dog!" It all happened in less of the noise, but soon grew accustime than I can tell you. In the few tomed to it, and sat up on the veran- seconds' time that yet remained, Don da steps, watching the fun from a understood the command. In his respectful distance. Just before sup- doggish heart was mistrust, and perper as a special treat, Ben's father haps, some fear. He did not like bought him a giant fire-cracker, a these things that went off with a great tempting one, with a long bang, but he was trained to obey. He atring fuse hanging out of one end, picked up the fire-cracker and ran

Paper. It was one of the sort that agony of fear lest it should explode goes off with a magnificent whoop- in the dog's face, and Don, obedient into tears of relief. He sank on the Memorial Day.

and hook a light chain to it, so he the match to the long string fuse and | THE GRAVE OF THE FAMOUS RINGER OF LIBERTY BELL DISCOVERED

A short time ago the sexton of Old Pine Street Presbyterian Church, at Fourth and Pine streets, Philadelphia, Pa., found among the crumbling tombstones that had lain neglected in the churchyard, a headstone of which the inscription had become almost obliterated by age and dirt. He cleaned the moss and lichen from the stone, and was surprised to find it bore the name of the famous bell-ringer of Revolutionary days, William Hurry, who tolled the Liberty Bell at the time of the signing of the fate-



ing bang, loud enough to satisfy even once more to the command, dropped ful Declaration of Independence. Hurry was at that time the caretaker the most patriotic little boy in the the cracker; while Ben, at last by of Independence Hall. When he was gathered to his fathers his remains country; and that is very loud in- his side, dragged him away to a com- were buried in the Old Pine Street Church, but inquiry later failed to Mamma looked worried when paratively safe distance, just as the disclose the whereabouts of the news of the discovery was cracker exploded with a frightful communicated to the Grand Army Association, and arrangements were We will fire it off right after sup- roar, but harming no one. Ben burst made for the decoration of the restored grave of the bell-ringer on last