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BRIEF NEWS NOTES FOR THE BUSY MAN

MOST IMPORTANT EVENTS OF THE PAST WEEK TOLD IN CONDENSED FORM.

WORLD'S NEWS EPITOMIZED

Complete Review of Happenings of Greatest Interest From All Parts of World.

Southern. The condition of cotton on an average date of September 22, as ascertained from the replies of 1,900 special correspondents of the Journal of Commercial Buletiln, is 70.8 per cent. aflainst 72.6 per cent. a month ago, or a decline of 1.8 points for the period under review. Texas is conspicnous as being the only state showing an advance, gaining 4.2 points. All other states lost from 1 to nearly 8 points. Insects are reported as injuring cotton.

The convention of the Sea Island Cotton Growers, scheduled to be held at Valdosta, Ga., was indefinitely postponed, owing to the absence of Mr. Charles S. Barrett, president of the Farmers' union. Delegates who had gathered here reported that the entire crop of sea island cotton had opened at once, and is nearly out of the fields, although usually it is not all gathered until after Christmas.

Italy has declared war on Turkey. It declared that the two countries were in a state of war beginning at half after two o'clock on the afternoon of Friday, September 29.

Representaives of cotton buyers and cotton exchanges of New England and the Southern and Southwestern states, in conference in New York, entered in a general discussion as to the best methods of buying and selling the staple. Methods of adjusting differences which may arise between the Southern shippers and the New England buyers are being considered, and it was stated that as soon as some definite understanding is

reached a statement would be issued. Forcing their way into the Desha county jail at Dumas, Ark., between fifty and one hundred men, members of a mob, formed so quietly that the authorities had not the slightest warning, overpowered the deputies in charge and took Charles Malpass, Sr., white, to a water tank and hanged him. The mob then dispersed without demonstration. None of its members is known to the authorities, ac-

cording to their statement. Approximately 2,000 clerks and shopmen of the Illinois Central employed south of the Ohio river are on strike, the number being augmented by the walkout of 490 shopmen at New Orleans. This was in addition to the 280 clerks who went out at first. At Memphis all the clerks went out and were followed by the shopmen, in all about 1,100 men striking.

As a result of the decision of the internal revenue department to enforce the law requiring duty on all manufactured cigars, whether consumed in a factory or elsewhere, Tampa, Florida, is again threatened with a disastrous strike of its 15,000 cigar makers. The effect of the decision of the revenue department has been to discontinue a practice in the Tampa factories, which is as old as the clear Havana cigar manufacturing business, the giving of smokers to the work-

L. W. Boykin and John Bell Towell. former members of the state liquor dispensary board; W. O. Tatum, for-K. A. Goodman, a liquor salesman, and was obtainable. Dennis Weiskopf, a Cincinnati business man, were placed on trial at Columbia, S. C., on a charge of conspiring to defraud the state. The case is what is known as the dispensary scandal, and has been on the docket several years. It is alleged \$22,000 graft was paid the defendants.

General.

Professor Wells of Mount Meigs, Governor Dix of New York is ex-Capt. Peter C. Hains, Jr., now serving a sentence in Sing Sing prison for the murder of William Annis on the Bayside, L. I., Yacht club oat, in August, 1908. A petition for his paron signed by eleven of the twelve men comprising the jury that convicted Captain Hains has been presented to the governor and Col Asa Bird

ing for Irene Westley, a comely 17- This is the government's fourth for work which the citizens in several he has been for several months. He year-old girl, who was kidnaped by move in a nation-wide fight against instances have already paid, but that will not wear any clothes, but tears four unidentified men, as she was returning home with James Kerns, an

18-year-old neighbor. The world-wide Baraca and Philathea societies have named Norfolk as the convention city for June, 1912.

Driving his 110-horse-power car, Bob Burman established a new

18:04, held by Oldfield. Falled before a magistrate to pre-Vent a breach of the peace.

Four hundred thousand citizens of the Ottoman empire living in the United States may be called upon to furnish an army of fighting men to take the field against the Italians, according to a declaration by Dgeial Bey, the new Turkish consul general in New York City. Dgeial Bey said there were 50,000 Turkish subjects living in New York City. "Do you expect to call upon them to aid in the war which Italy has declared?" he was asked. "Such a call is possible," he replied.

Wenceslao Franco, a wealthy resident of Acala, a small town in the state of Chiapas, Mexico, was crucified by the rebellion Chamula Indians when they sacked that place, according to telegrams received by El Imparcial from Tuxela Gutierrez, the

state capital. In the arrest at New Orleans of Annie Crawford, an alleged drug fiend, on the charge of poisoning her younger sister, Elise, a pretty stenographer, the police took their first step in an avowed effort to feveal the woman as a modern Lucretia Borgia. Three other members of the Crawford family have died under mysterious circumstances within the past fifteen months and Annie Crawford is said to have been the beneficiary named in the insurance policies on the life of each

The prosecution of the so-called trusts by the United States government and the present and probable condition of business in general were topics touched upon by Franklin W. Hobbs of Brookline, Mass., president Manufacturers, when he opened the semi-annual session of the association at Manchester, Vt. "Conditions in cotton manufacturing during the past six months have been deplorable," said Mr. Hobbs, "but the outlook is much brighter."

load, which will be placed on the city markets. He says the potatoes cost 69 cents a bushel in Michigan, and with the freight added. The commission men are charged with representing to growers that the market here is glutted.

Another "white hope" went down to defeat at Troy, N. Y., when "Cyclone Larry" English, an ex-member of the New York police force, disposed of George Perry of Boston in six rounds. The fight was a slugging match from start to finish, and the Boston man, who won a recent "white hope" tournament in Ne wYork, was badly beaten, being knocked down eight times during the fight, which the referee stopped in the sixth

Senator John L. Bristow practically served notice that, while he was participating freely and gladly in the welcome to President Taft in Kansas, there was to be no let-up in the factional fight as soon as he left the borders of the commonwealth.

As an outcome of the first statewide primary in Massachusetts held, Gov. Eugene M. Foss again will head the Democratic ticket, and returns in now indicate Lieut, Gov. Lewis A. Frothingham will be his Republican opponent in the November election. Both are from Boston. There was a fairly good vote, although the total fell short of that polled at the last state election. Governor Foss had opposition from Thomas L. Hisgen.

Washington.

President Taft got his first news of the declaration of war by Italy upon Turkey through the Associated Press dispatches handed to him on his train. He took the deepest interest in the news and asked for more. mer commissioner of the dispensary; No comment of any sort, however,

Dr. Harvey W. Wiley of Washington. D. C., chief of the Federal agricultural department of chemistry bureau and exonerated star figure in the so-called Wiley pure food controversy, told the National Conservation congress, in session at Kansas City. that the health of the nation was worth \$540,000,000,000. He made this estimate on the basis of \$600 per capita average annual earnings of 45,000 wage-earning adults, each representpected within a few days to pardon ing a capital of \$12,000 invested at 5

per cent. Sensational charges that the socalled lumber trust completely dominates the lumber trade of at least twenty states by maintaining a spy system, blacklists, divisions of territory and other alleged illegal methods conducted through a central agency in Chicago, called the Lumber Gardiner, in behalf of Peter Hains, Secretaries' Bureau of Information, criminal indictments already standing

lumbermen's associations. Ensign Charles E. Hovey, commanding the little gunboat Pampanga, was killed by hostile natives at the Yuworld's record for twenty miles over cans islands, which form part of the a circular dirt track at the fair Philippine archipelago. Brief reports grounds in Detroit. His time was reaching the navy department said 17:57 2-5. The former record was there had been an action between the force from the gunboat Pampanga and English Home Secretary Churchill hostile Yucans on the Basilian islands has decided the Johnson-Wells fight just south of the town Zamboango and is Hegal and unless the promoters between Mindanao and the Jolo abandon the match they will be ar- group. Several seamen were badly wounded. It is thought in Washington the party was attacked while on a scouting expedition.

GOOD ARGUMENT

IN SUPPORT OF CONVICTION AND DEATH SENTENCE OF L. M. SANDLIN.

BE ELECTROCUTED

Wife Had Left Him and When She Would Not Return Sandlin Fired the Fatal Shot .- The Attorney General's Argument is Given.

Raleigh .- Attorney General T. W. sickett made an especially notable argument before the Supreme Court in support of the conviction and death sentence of L. M. Sandlin of Wilmington for the killing of his wife. She had been forced by Sandlin's cruelty for court in October. It is uncerto leave him and take her children, tain how many will be tied off, but running a boarding house as a means nearly all. The docket will be greatof support. Sandlin went to the ly relieved now and there will hardly house, quarreled with and abused her be necessity now for asking for the because she would not come back to special term of court to try civil him and then fired three fatal shots cases. The October term will be \$4,629. at her and slightly wounded himself for two weeks. as a show of intent to suicide. The of the National Association of Cotton attorney general in closing his Photographers Convention Opens. argument for upholding the convic- The fourteenth annual convention tion and sentence to electrocution, of the photographers' association of

another victim to that dark spirit of hotel with a hundred delegates prescrime which is stalking through the ent from three states, besides a Mayor Shank of Indianapolis and ing them down to a ruin that is worse commercial houses from all over the mines produced 14,914 short tons of nounced that he was determined to than death. The supreme tragedy country. The convention was called ore, of which 12,693 were gold quartz break the corner formed by commis- of life is the immolation of woman. to order by President James A. Ward, ores, with an average total recovered sion men on potatoes, which are sell- With a heavy hand nature wrings of Richmond. After the invocation, ing here at \$1.60 per bushel, and for from her a high tax of blood and Judge P. C. Cooke delivered an elo- ton; 2,221 tons were copper ores with that purpose he has brought in a car- tears. Have men become brutes quent address of welcome in behalf an average precious metal value of that know no pity? Is motherhood of Mayor Rankin and the city. The \$2.51 a ton, and yielding 63.2 pounds no longer holy? Is our civilization to response was by Mr. Peterson of Spar- of copper a ton. The placers, of go down a carnival of crime, where tanburg for the visiting delegates. will be sold here at the same price, women are butchered like sheep in Letters of regret were read from the shambles? Verily, I take no pleas- members who could not attend, and silver; the siliceous ores produced ure in the death of the wicked, but it Mr. Ward followed with the presiseems to me that to this man the dent's address which was full of electric chair would hold the least of valuable suggestions for members and ores yielded 48.57 fire ounces of gold fice: Cisco R. Taxler of Winston-Sa- reservoir. Wharton, still farther on, horrors. As he sits in his lonely the association about work. Two cell can he banish the vision of the other fine addresses were delivered. woman who in the days of her youth | C. O. Towles of Hammer Dry Plate put her hand in his and, with a faith Company, on "Man Who Wins," H. that knew no fear, forsook all and M. Fell of Eastman Company talked followed him? Can he ever forget interestingly on vital questions. that momentous hour when this woman, with a smile of ineffable ten- Will Complete Arrangements Soon. screams of terror

Two Men Charged With Murder. around found a squirrel in a tree, tion to be traversed. One of the boys went home for a gun, and returned with it, for the purpose Supreme Court Affirms Judgment. of killing the squirrel. When he reach-

Are To Begin Drainage Work.

drainage work will have been begun nation of his step-daughter that he on the two principal creeks in Iredell | might ascertain facts necessary to be county and within two years hun- known for the purpose of preparing dreds of acres of the most fertile and filing his complaint. bottom lands now almost unfit for anything except to breed fever germs vation ad the county's corn produc- ing the law applying to the sale of tion will be enormously increased.

Charges of Superintendent.

At a meeting of the City Council, Dr. Chas. T. Nesbitt, City Superinten- in the Wake county jail and the coundent of Health, in an official report, ty authorities have asked that he be relative to a bill of Furlong & Com- admitted into the state hospital for pany, licensed scavengers, for \$79 for the insane. Ikeland was several years the United States court at Denver, clusive, charges that the company not ter. He later went crazy and was The police of New York are search | Col., by the department of justice. only demands of the city payment placed in the Wake county jail where the lumber "trust" in addition to the the firm has collected payment from them off as fast they are put on him. against the secretaries of fourteen | done by the city since September 5. | want him admitted to the hospital.

> Judge Sentenced Brad Bagley. Brad Bradley, the convicted murconfession has escaped his lips.

ARE SETTLING WRECK SUITS NORTH STATE LEADS NEWS OF TAR HEEL STATE Crowded For Several Days-Has

Durham.-The law offices of the city have been crowded several days with the litigants in the Hamlet wreck cases, both claim agents of the Seaboard and the plaintiffs being present when settlements were to be

Something Like 75 Cases.

The Seaboard had something like 75 cases on the docket of the Durham county civil superior court. It was the largest number resulting from a wreck ever sent to the courts here and every man at the bard had one or more cases. Some ran as high as forty.

The action of the road has been in the main commendable. It has offered generally equitable settlements, and it is recalled that it had hundreds of claims to adjust. These ranged in injuries from a scratched of them.

There were sixty-six cases ready

Virginia and the Carolinas opened in "The record in this case registers | Asheville in the Swannanoa Berkeley | \$21,103.

derness, went down in the valley of "Early in October," is the time inthe shadow of death, in order that dicated by Mr. E. C. Duncan when his child might live? And then can all arrangements will have been comhe for one second cease to hear her pleted by him for the taking over of the Raleigh & Charlotte Railroad Company, the corporation that was chartered several years ago for the Gaston Smith and Al. Josen, two purpose of constructing a direct line young white men, were arrested at from Raleigh to Charlotte. This in-Pomona Mills on a warrant charging formation came in a letter addressed them with the murder of Lacy to Mr. Lewis Hartsell, the energetic Hackett on September 6. The boys secretary of the Concord Merchants' are in jail and a hearing will be held | Association, several days ago and was before Justice D. H. Collins. The in reply to a communication received warrant was sworn out by the father requesting the consideration of Conof the deceased. On the date charged cord's claims to be on the route. A in the warrant the three boys had map of this road as projected appeargone into the country near the Po- ed several weeks ago and evoked mona Mills and while strolling much comment throughout the sec-

The case of Bailey vs. Matthews ed the place the squirrel had gone. from Nash county, decided by the The boys then started home, and on Supreme Court is rather unusual. their way back sat down together The opinion is written by Justice near a bridge east of the mill. While Walker, in which the judgment is afstanding there, the gun, which was firmed. It seems that there were sevin the hands of Smith, was discharg- eral candidates for the postmastered, the entire load entering Hack- ship at Spring Hope. The former ett's head. Death resulted almost in- postmaster, W. S. Bailey brings this stantly. After the shooting the two suit against his wife, his step-daughboys hurried to the mill village an 1 ter, the present postmaster, and othtold of the affair. They gave the mat- ers for conspiring to make and makter an appearance of an accident and ing certain fraudulent, libelous and no inquest was held at the time. Since slanderous statements about him to then remarks made by the boys have prevent his re-appointment as postcaused suspicion to fasten upon them. | master at Spring Hope. The plaintiff, under the provisions of Section 865 of the Revisal, requested the Clerk of Within the next few weeks actual the Court for an order for the exami-

Asheville.-Judge Cook has recently will have been reclaimed by culti- emphasized the importance of enforcciagrettes to minor.

To Be Admitted to State Hospital. Joe Ikeland, an insane Syrian, is scavenging the sanitary cans for four ago sentenced to serve two years on Sr., filed considerable new evidence are made in an anti-trust suit filed in days from September 1st to 5th, in the roads for trying to shoot his sismany citizens for scavenger work He sleeps on the floor. Authorities

> Charged With Highway Robbery. Jake Austin and Frank Johnson, derer of Chief of Police White, was two escaped convicts were up before sentenced to be electrocuted Novem- 'Squire Humphrey, charged with highber 17 by Judge Cook. In a few way robbery. During their liberty words, Judge Cook told Bagley that a they waylaid Mr. John A. Matthews jury of his countrymen had found and robbed him of \$40, a coat and a him guilty of murder in the first de- mileage book. The above offense ocgree and he must forfeit his life in curred at Whitley's a flag station on accordance with the law. Bagley the Southern railroad. Mr. Matthews stood and heard the sentence with- stated that after he had been relieved out any show of emotion. Only when of all valuables that the highwaymen the jury announced the verdict has cared to take they then forced him to Bagley shown any feeling and no run down the railway track while for misdemeanor. they made their escape.

REGAINED THE FIRST PLACE IN 1910 IN THE PRODUCTION OF GOLD.

PRODUCTION IS ON INCREASE

There Are Twenty-Three Placer Mines in Operation and Thirteen Deep Mines-Notable Production of Silver Was From Copper Mines.

Raleigh .- A special from Washington states that North Carolina regained first place among the eastern states in 1910 in the production of gold, according to a report just issued hand to complete decapitation. Sev. by the United States geological sureral of these cases were for deaths vey. According to the report 3,291.68 and the road has compromised some ounces of gold, valued at \$68,045, were produced during the year 1910, an increase over 1909 of 1,345.55 fine ounces, valued at \$27,815.

The yield of silver, recovered in refining the gold and copper, was 9,053 fine ounces, valued at \$4,888, an increase of 8,544 ounces, valued at

The copper production in the state shows a decrease of 83,998 pounds. The total value of gold, silver and copper produced in North Carolina in 1910 was \$90,778, an increase over the corresponding value for 1909 of

During last year, the report says there were 23 placer mines in operaland and slaving our women or draw- large number of representatives of tion and 13 deep mines. The deep North Carolina yielded 497.34 fine ounces of gold and 43 fine ounces of 2,745.77 fine ounces of gold and 456 fine ounces of silver; and the copper and 8,554 fine ounces of silver. It lem, assignor to the American Tracble production of silver was from copper mines.

> Bought His Own Liquor. Concord. - Several months ago Sheriff Honeycutt seized 62 1-2 gallons of liquor and 50 dozen bottles of beer while it was en route from Kannapolis to Concord on the Kannapolis road. A. Hatke, a liquor drummer from Richmond, claimed the fluids and made an effort to recover it but the court decided against him. An order was made by the county of the board to dispose of all liquor States license to sell whiskey. seized by the county officers. Several days ago Hatke made an offer of \$100 for the stuff which the chairman accepted and he closed the deal, buying back his own liquor. He is having it shipped away.

Additional Reports Have Come In. Asheville.-Additional reports concerning the killing of a white man in tween Gastonia and Charlotte, have Yancey county a few days ago, are to the effect that the dead man was Robert McKay, who had gone to Yancey county in the interest of a railroad in Tennessee. The officers are looking for three Petersons, as stated two of them brothers and their nephew. The cause of the shooting is from captain to major in the medical seid to have been on account of some trouble the Petersons had with a negro who had been hired by McKay.

In Hearty Accord With Proposition. Asheville.—The baseball fans of this city seem to be in hearty accord with the proposition which has been launched to form a state league for the 1912 season, to include only North Carolina towns, with the possibility of a berth in that league. The managers of the North Carolina clubs in the Carolina Association strongly favor such a move, having found the situation in that league practically the same as the Asheville club found it this year in the Appalachian League, that the foreign teams do not support a team as they do, and as a result cannot make a success of the venture financially.

Farmers Are Anxious For School. Belmont.-The advocates for the farm-life school from Gaston county are busily engaged this week in canvassing the county for signers to a petition asking that the county commissioners call an election to ascertain the will of the people in regard to the matter. This eastern section of the county is being well covered by Mr. W. W. Faires, president of the Gaston County Farmers' Union, and his lieutenants. The petitions are being signed freely, showing the farmers are anxious for the school.

Developed An Acute Condition. Raleigh.-The strenuous fight between the Wake county commissioners and the Wake county board of health over the question of county superintendent of health developed an acute condition when the sheriff, the jailer, and the superintendents of a number of the institutions refused to admit Dr. J. J. L. McCullers, declared by the board of health to be the superintendent, for inspection purposes, and the board of health declared each of these officials liable to prosecution

A Column of News That Has Been Collected With Much Care From All Over the State.

Mrs. D. B. Morrison have been elected delegates to the meeting of the Daughters of the Confederacy which meets in Winston-Salem next month. Winston-Salem .- The meeting at Danbury was a big success. The

Concord.-Miss Rose Hartis and

crowd was enthusiastic. Mr. Justice, of Greensboro, and Mr. Comer, of Danville, Va., made fine speeches. Hickory.-The officers and directors of the Catawba Fair Association held

a meeting to outline the work of preparation for what bids fair to be the best street fair Hickory has ever Wilmington.-The case against J. C. Hollly, formerly proprietor of the Rock Springs Hotel, and ex-preacher,

for the murder of his ward, Edward Cromwell, will hardly be tried at this term of court. Lexington.-Things are getting in fine shape for the second annual Davidson county fair and home-coming week, which is to be celebrated this year, November 8, 9, 10. The cash

premiums now in sight will reach \$500, including the \$250 which the state board of agriculture will appropriate. Fayetteville.-From the time that the hookworm dispensaries were

opened in Cumberland county, several weeks ago, up to a few days ago. 1,688 cases had been treated. Dr. B. W. Page treated 122 cases in Fayetteville in one day. This makes a total of 1,810 cases treated in Cumberland county during four weeks. Belmont.-Work on the new Meth-

odist church building is progressing rapidly. Mr. Robert Rankin of Mount the work. He is already on the job and commodious. Heretofore, Bel- churches and several large lumber own church building.

will be seen therefore that the nota- tion Company, New York, traction wheel; William C. Briggs of Winston-Salem, assignor to the Carolina Banding Machine Company, machine for applying bands, labels or wrappers to cigars or other articles.

cgdF-vHM5'sBe etaoin taoin nononon Wilmington.-The grand jury got busy and brought in indictments against eight women of the underworld for keeping disorderly houses. It is reported that the grand jury will inquire into the alleged open and flagrant violations of the prohibition law. Several members of the grand commissioners allowing the chairman jury are reported to have United

Gastonia.-After having been held up for several weeks because of difficulty in perfecting arrangements for building a viaduct under the Southern's track near the Avon mill in Gastonia, the grading force of Messrs. Stewart & Jones, contractors for grading the roadbed of the Piedmont and Northern Railway Company beresumed work on east Franklin Avenue and are rapidly pushing their

way through the town. Raleigh.-Adjutant General R. L. Leinster of the North Carolina National Guard announced the advancement of Dr. Francis J. Cleminger corps; Dr. Claude L. Pridgen, Kinston, from captain to major in the medical corps; Dr. W. C. Horton, Raleigh, from lieutenant to captain in the medical corps; and Dr. R. A. Campbell appointed first lieutenant in

the medical corps. Raleigh.-State Insurance Commissioner James R. Young was at High Point to prosecute C. C. Whitehead for representing the Standard Home Company of Birmingham, Ala., an unlicensed benefit association that claims to be not subject to the North Carolina license laws and has been sending representatives into the state now and again without it having been possible until now to arrest one of them. Commissioner Young secured a sentence of 9 months on the roads for Whitehead, who was convicted in the Recorder's court at High Point.

Winston-Salem .- Forsyth county is now making a splendid roadway up to the Davidson county line and Guilford has already built a splendid highway from High Point to Davidson line, there remaining only a stretch of three and a half miles to link up the two systems.

that many farmers were uneasy as iron bars of a window in her ward to the amount of roughness they would make on their farms this year, the prisoner was found by Mrs. Octathe problem has about solved itself via Kennerly, the matron who tried to since the recent rains. Crab grass has never been known to grow so fast .

Raleigh.—It was announced by Manager A. T. Bowler, of the A. & M. football team that the only open date on the schedule, October 14, has been closed with the Virginia Military Institute, the game to be played in Lexington, Va.

Newton.-For some time past the "Holy Rollers," as they are called, have been operating in the eastern part of the county, and there has been no little interest in their doings. Strange stories are told of the com-

ARE LESS THAN 500

CONSTABULARY AND HEALTH DE-PARTMENT HAVE THE SITUA-TION IN HAND.

VALLEY IS A CHARNEL HOUSE

The Property Loss From Flood and Fire is Estimated to be Around Six-Million Dollars-Many Stories of Thrilling Rescues.

Austin, Pa.-The curtain of night, which was rung down on the Austin flood scarcely before its victims had all been claimed and its surviving spectators fully realize how great a tragedy the elements of water and fire had enacted in the natural ampitheater of the Allegheny mountains here, was lifted by dawn revealing a ghastly scene of death and devastation.

Austin, itself a busy mill town of three thousand people, many of whom were enjoying the fine autumn, is only a ghost of a town now. Torn to pieces by water and eaten by fire, the wet and charred remnants of its buildings, believed to hold the remains of three hundred or more persons, were strewn along the valley edge, piled in rows where the main street business section was or swept in scattered masses far down the ravine.

Spectators, many of whom barely escaped being victims of the disaster, and hundreds of persons from sur-Holly is the contractor in charge of | rounding towns, looked down from the steep hillsides on Austin and Costello with a good force of workmen. The | through a veil of fog to see the wreckbuilding when completed will be a age here of some four hundred houses, handsome brick structure, artistic a score of business blocks, three mont Methodists have not had their mills, and three miles further down the river at Costello the ruins of Washington.—The following pat- more than fifty buildings. The flood ents were issued to North Carolin- did not spend its force until it raced ians by the United States patent of for more than ten miles from the suffered somewhat, but is practically intact. The loss of life at Costello, where the residents had more warning, is believed to be but three.

The property loss in the valley is estimated at upwards of \$6,000,000.

Rapid Temperature Changes. Washington. - Rapid temperature changes will be recorded in northern United States and moderate temperatures in the South and on the Pacific coast, announced the weather bureau's weekly bulletin. The week's precipitation will be above normal except on the Gulf and the South Atlantic coasts. The bulletin makes this forecast: Unsettled weather and general rain the first part of the week east of the Rocky mountains; crossing the Rockies then the Central valley and then the Eastern states. This disturbance followed lower temperature probably attended by frosts in the

Northwest and Northern states Eight Children Burned to Death. Indiana, Pa.-Eight children of Mr. and Mrs. Wliliam Dias of Heshbon, near here, ranging in age from 13 years to 3 months, were burned to death when fire destroyed the family home. The parents, after discovering the flames, left the children in their beds and went to the first floor where they made an attempt to extinguish the fire. The blaze spread rapidly, however, and they were unable

America is Neutral.

to rescue the little ones.

Washington.-The American declaration of neutrality in the Italian-Turkish war only awaits the President's formal approval. Without his personal signature the State Department cannot issue the proclamation, which however, is expected to be promulgated. The proclamation is ready for issue as soon as approved, Acting Secretary of State Adee, having prepared it at the first intimation of hostilities.

Fowler Gets Cold Feet.

Emigrant Gap, Cal.—Aviator Robert G. Fowler abandoned his trans-contintal flight because his engine will not carry him over the Sierras as it will not "bite" the thin air.

Breaks Down For First Time. New Orleans.-Miss Annie Crawford, charged with murdering her sister Elise a week ago by administering

morphine, showed the first break in the self-possession rigidly maintained since her arrest by prolonged out-Mooresville.-While it was a fact bursts of weeping. Clinging to the and with her head bowed on her arm comfort her. Almost immediately the prisoner would recover her self- pos-

The Italians Shell Towns.

Constantinople.-It is officially confirmed that the Italian squadron has bombarded Prevesa, but the landing of Italian forces there is denied. It is announced from Panish that two Italian warships bombarded the port of Reschadie and the torpedo boats lying in that harbor, one of which was damaged and landing its crew. The Italian ships entered the port and shelled the town, several houses being plete mastery which the pecvuliar struck. After taking soundings they doctrine obtains over the minds of left, and later entered port Musto, taking the captain of the port prisoner.