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# BRIEF NEWS NOTES FOR THE BUSY MAI

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.

A bolt of lightning struck a marching column of the Sixth United States cavalry between Texas City and Galveston, instantly killing Privates Monore Morris, George Morris and John Zimmer.

Seven miners, entombed for days in the Vogel and the Lawrence Lignite workings at Rockdale, Texas, were found alive when rescuers gained the mine interior by drilling a 90foot shaft. The men (Mexicans) were imprisoned by a cave-in following a cloudburst which flooded the mines. Fifty miners, all Mexicans, were in the workings at the time a nearby creek overflowed, flooding the mine, but the others made their escape before a cave-in blocked the tunnel.

Twenty soldiers were killed and about one hundred hurt when a special troop train on the Mobile and Ohio plunged through a trestle near State Line, Miss. The wreck was caused by the engine tender jumping the track about 200 feet from a trestle. The engine was not derailed, and passed over the trestle safely. The lowever, and plunged with baggage lower, and plunged with the baggage car and three coaches to the ground, wenty-five feet below. Sixteen bodies were taken from the wreckage and Su-

gees from Mexico, most of them des. oria. titute and a number of them victims of the long, disastrous siege and subsequent capture of Torreon by the Mexican Constitutionalists, reached his performances on the banjo at many Galveston by steamer Tampico. They | Confederate reunions, is dead, at the told stories of guerrilla warfare between the Mexican factions, of robbery and cruelty, and thirty-three Roman Catholic nuns, driven at midnight under fire from their convent, told of hospitals put to the torch, and the men killed for the gold in their teeth.

# General.

Ultimate self-government of the Philippines and Porto Rico and control of Indian affairs by a permanent nonpartisan national commission were recommended at the close session of the Lake Mohonk Conference of the entry of bagging for cotton from Great Friends of Indians and Other Dependent Peoples. The conference declined to indorse the view of some members that the Philippines were ready for immediate independence. The conference recommended that no date be set for the withdrawal of our supervision over the Philippines, and no decision be made as to the ultimate form

Princeton University's graduate college at Princeton, N. J., and the Grover Cleveland memorial tower were Princeton to realize an idea conceived 20 years ago, the housing of graduate students in a body. The tower was presented to the university by the Cleveland Monument association.

of complete self-government.

Between 230 and 280 miners were entombed by an explosion in mine No. 2 of the Stag Canon Fuel company at Dawson, N. M. The entombed miners inluded General Superintendent Frank McDermott of the mine and several ef the explosion is unknown.

The indictment of 23 former officials of East St. Louis, Ill., on charges growmunicipal irregularities, was characterized by State Attorney Webb as the forerunner of other indictments to include many prominent men who had been former officials in the city gov-

Because of the refusal of congress to convene in extraordinary session to consider the presidential message urgently recommending a new foreign loan of \$15,000,000, President Menocal of Cuba issued a public appeal, declaring that he may be compelled to have recourse to extraordinary measures in the event of continued obstinacy on

the part of congress. The entire railroad terminal of East St. Louis said to be the largest in the United States, was threatened with destruction by a fire which began ing the delegates to the Women's on the bank of the Mississippi river | Home Missionary Society of the Methand rapidly spread in three directions. odist Episcopal church, in session in to several hundred thousand dollars. ed, "there is not a community which The fire raged on the properties of cannot be purified, redeemed and imthe Advance Grain company, the Chicago and Alton freight house and in

the car-filled railroad yards. William Sulzer, impeached governor of the state of New York, was nomier states was against the move. appeal had been concluded

More than two hundred coal miners are known to be dead at Dawson, N. Mex. Rescue parties have torn away more than a mile of debris caused by the terrific explosion and revealed nearly one hundred bodies.

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A gas oven in which metal was being enameled on the top floor of a six-story factory building in Canal street, New York City, exploded, killing four persons. More than a score of others were injured or burned in the fire that followed the explosion and some of them may die.

The New York state senate unanimously confirmed the nomination of James M. Lynch, president of the International Typographical Union, as state labor commissioner.

Dominican rebels at Puerto Plata, San Domingo, agreed to accept the conditions of the treaty of peace arranged through efforts of James M. Sullivan, the American minister. Hostilities have ceased.

Henry Spencer, confessed murderer of Mrs. Mildred Allison Rexreat, a dancing teacher of Chicago, and many other persons, related in the Wheaton jail how he had for several days followed Mrs. Potter Palmer and waited for a chance to rob her after her arrival in this city on the 3d of last November. Spencer said Mrs. Palmer's \$100,000 diamond necklace

was the prize for which he played. Theodore Roosevelt was received with military honors as he stepped ashore from his steamer at Rio Janeiro. Edwin V. Morgan, United States ambassador to Brazil, with the staff of the embassy, went on board before the vessel docked with a reception committee headed by Senor Moreira, representing the ministry of foreign affairs; Lieutenant Colonel been in session for the last few days Achilles de Pederneiras, Brazilian at- trying to work out this and other tache at Washington; Don Jose Carlos features of the new law. What will Rodriguez, Admiral Antonio Olynthe Coutino, Gomez Pereira and Antonio Olyntho de Magalhaes of the historical institute.

In the most fiercely contested judicial election in the history of Illinois, are as much puzzled just now as are Charles C. Craig, Democrat, of Galesburg, was elected to the supreme perintendent Piggord said in his re. bench to succeed Judge John P. Hand port there were four more bodies left. by a majority of 3,646 over Judge Les-Three hundred and sixty-one refu- lie D. Putermaugh, Republican, of Pe-

Polk Miller, a Richmond business man, known throughout the South for his plantation stories of war times and age of 69, in his home in Richmond, Virginia.

# Washington.

The United States government is preparing to notify the nations of the world generally that any interference dred for each place. in Mexican affairs will be regarded as unfriendly to the United States gov-

Millions of dollars' worth of imports may be affected by a decision of the treasury department refusing to prohibit under the new tariff law the Britain, alleged to have been manufactured in part by convict labor.

Whether there shall be one Pederal reserve bank with oranches throughout the United States, or several banks, as provided for in the administration bill, promises to be the chief issue of the final currency reform fight in the senate committee. The hearings of the committee will conclude and the committee members will begin the arduous task of attempting to agree upon a revision of the Glass dedicated. Gifts amounting to over bill that will prove acceptable to authority in the land. two million dollars for the erection President Wilson and the house. The and endowment of the college enabled president has made it known that he was opposed to the central bank plan

> in all its phases. sion roll at the beginning of the present fiscal years.

Secretary Daniels formally announced that the historic battleship Oregon, which made the famous trip ma canal, when the water way is op- of rest. ing out of an investigation of alleged ened in 1915. While plans for the event have not yet been formulated, Secretary Daniels will be aboard, and, in all probability, President Wilson.

The answer of the Philippines to President Wilson's message delivered through Governor General Harrison came by cable in the form of a resolution adopted by the Philippine assembly. Emphatic belief in the right of the Filipinos to be freely expressed in the resolution and the president's words are gratefully accepted as "a categorical declaration of the purpose of the nation to recognize the independence of the islands."

"There never was a time when the people needed the interpretation of the Bible more than they do at present," said Secretary Bryan, in address-The damage is believed to amount | Washington, "and," the secretary addproved by a better knowledge and daily life."

The doors of the United States were opened to Mrs. Emmeline Pankhurst, A. & M. Has 709 Enrolled. nated for the assembly by the Progres- and during the few weeks covered by sives of the Sixth assembly district. her lecture engagements the British Mr. Sulzer began his public career in militant suffragette leader is free to 1889 as a member of this branch of go where she will in the United States. the legislature. He has agreed to ac- An order releasing the much-discusscept the nomination, it was announced ed visitor from detention at Ellis Islat the meeting when he was chosen and, N. Y., and revoking the deportaas the candidate. The nomination of tion order of the special inquiry board. the impeached governor was said to was issued after President Wilson had have been brought about against the conferred with Secretary Wilson of desires of the state and county lead: the department of labor and a formal ers of the Progressive party. The sen- hearing before Immigration Commistiment of Progressives in this and oth- sioner Caminetti on Mrs. Pankhurst's

NORTH CAROLINIANS WHO HAVE MADE APPLICATIONS FOR IN-COME TAX JOBS.

# SOLVE GREAT PUZZLE

Representatives From the Old North State Find More Work With Friendly Administration in Charge.-Some Who Have Landed.

says: As soon as the members of the North Carolina delegation return to Washington they will hold a meeting and endeavor to pick five men good and true from a list of two thousand who have applied for jobs as deputy cellectors of the new income tax as provided in the new tariff law. Commissioner W. H. Osborne said he will decide on the men according to the recommendations of senators, representatives and the collectors from

the various states. At least, that is Col. Osborne's intention now. Revenue experts have happen when the delegation disagrees or when the recommendations ofmembers of congress conflict with those of the collectors is not known. In fact, treasury department officials the applicants themselves, who have is doing and has been doing in the and store at Clayton, although of late been shunted from representative to promotion of better farming methods, years he had been interested in nuthey have made known their aspira-

The law says these deputy collectors shall be appointed by the commissioner of internal revenue with the consent of the secretary of the treasury. The deputies, however, are bonded to the collectors under whom they serve and these collectors are responsible for their acts.

There are ten congressional districts and five jobs, there are two thousand men from all parts of the state who want the jobs, four hun-

S. H. Boyd, of Greensboro, has his place. The others each have one exhibits this year as there should in building. The trust forced the chance in four hundred. Mr. Boyd have been, nor as many as were exis now assigned to work here, but pected and the fair management | Horne assumed \$45,000 of the comsoon after January 16 will go back hopes that greater interest will be pany debt as his own, declaring that and work in the state.

Bailey and Watts can appoint such girls' canning club exhibits this year | er of the unfair competitor. Democrats as they choose to work un-

The president in signing the bill uty collectors out of the civil service | Halifax, Caldwell, Mecklenburg, Anby saying that he does not believe it son, Buncombe, New Hanover, Northsition in having this law enacted has thus been vindicated by the highest | Alamance and Wake were represented | if it does not reach \$1,000,000.

Work Only 8 Hours. Union carpenters of Asheville have 7,504 Indians in North Carolina. named eight hours as the length of More than one-fifth of the men who their working day and it is announced served in the army and navy of the that after the first of the coming Indians, 2,078 of whom are under the United States during the Civil war month the members of the Asheville were still on the government's pen- Carpenters' Union will but away their Of the 2,078 about 730 are of school tools after spending eight hours of age, 1,136 are females, and 942 males. the day on the job. The action was There are 860 full bloods: females taken, it is said, in view of the fact | 467 and males 393; mixed blood (onethat the carpenters are called upon half or more) 487: females 267 and Livingstone is the leading institution to work in all kinds of weather and in other American miners. The cause around Cape Horn in the early days cramped positions in many instances. of the Spanish war, will lead the great | They claim that when they have workinternational fleet through the Pana- ed eight hours, they are badly in need

Begin Postoffice January 1. The postoffice department has served notice upon Mr. Henry Johnson of Tarboro and Dr. R. H. Johnson of Baltimore that all buildings now on the site purchased by the government for the new postoffice building at Tarboro must be removed within 60 days. boro's new \$78,000 federal building

Tucker Will Is Valid. The supreme court announced recently its decision that the will of the late Mrs. Florence P. Tucker establishing a trust for her estate for the benefit of her children, instead of disthe will of the late Rufus Tucker, her to Mrs. Tucker in fee simple.

The North Carolina College of Agriculture and Mechanic Arts has an enrollment of 709 for this session and out of that number 32 counties of this state and 17 other states are represented. Mecklenburg and Wake are tied for the largest number of students, each having 44 representatives, while Guilford comes second with 25, Buncombe third with 19 and Iredell fourth with 17. Virginia leads in the while South Carolina, second, has 5. that other matters prevented.

# THE FARM EXHIBITS GREAT Show Wonderful Progress in State's Agriculture-Remarkable-In-

spiring-Elevating.

Raleigh,-Significant of the wonderful progress North Carolina has made in the last five years in the development of her agricultural resources is the remarkable improvement in the quality, extensiveness and

variety of the exhibits of farm products at the state fair. "Nothing about the fair impressed me so much," said a visitor, who has attended five of the last eight state fairs, "as the remarkable improvement in the agricultural exhibits. There are more of them, they are larger, they are displayed with greater care and taste, they are more varied and extensive and comprehensive, and above all the farm products are of immensely higher average qual-Raleigh-Special from Washington ity, than those shown here from five to ten years ago. This fact speaks

> agricultural interests have made in re-No patriotic citizen of North Carolina could pass through the halls and look carefully over the exhibits of farm, garden and horticultural products without having inspired in his bosom a greater pride in his state. The wealth and variety of North Carolina's agricultural resuorces as dem-

> onstrated at the state fair this year

story of the progress North Carolina

was something wonderful. If one desires to find the reason for the wonderful progress that has been made in agricultural pursuits in North Carolina in recent years, let The department's exhibits is largely been a good one; but since that time scientific. but it demonstrates in the has made many that were good and striking manner what this department | made a goodly fortune from his farm senator and back again ever since in teaching the farmers by demon- merous enterprises. stration and otherwise the science of nificent apples, pears, walnuts, pecans office.

and other nuts. Another factor in the development Now that the president has signed ing and entering exhibits of their club | pany in the hands of the sheriff, but the urgent deficiency bill, Collectors | work at the next fair. However, the | that he would not place it in the powwere splendid and the boys' corn club exhibits are very creditable. The boys' exhibits of corn come from the defended the section which took dep- counties of Wake, Durham, Wayne, the road and secured better terms. in the exhibits by the girls' canning clubs.

The records of the Indian Bureau show that North Carolina has 7,504 protection of the Federal government. males 220; mixed (less than one-half) 731: females 402 and males 329. There were 35 marriages between Indians | the required money. and 26 between Indians and whites last year. No plural marriage was discovered among the government In-

"Poor Man's" Bank.

The committee on organization of the Morris-plan bank for Durham met recently and are now out soliciting subscriptions for the stock. They have been unusually successful and there "poor men's banks" will be established in Durham.

Buncombe Has Clear Docket.

For the first time in many years, the larger application of the Bible to the husband, did not convey his property begin the year of 1914 with clear civil they can. and criminal dockets.

> Craig Cannot Attend Conference. The inability of Governor Craig to attend the general rally at Charlotte that will conclude the Farm Life Connumber from other states, having 13 time expressing his very keen regret grow.

A VICTIM OF SUDDEN ATTACK WHICH WAS SUPPOSED TO HAVE BEEN PARALYSIS.

HIS LAURELS HARD

Among Chief Characteristics Was Indomitable Energy, and More Espepecially Devotion to the South-Done Much For His State.

Clayton.-Ashley Horne, died suddenly at his home here recently, his death being due, it is thought, to paralysis, a slight attack of which affected him some time ago. He was about 65 years of age. volumes and tells a big and wonderful

Prominent alike in business and public life of the state, Mr. Horne was known more especially for the devotion to the cause of the Confederacy, both during and after the Civil War. Never did the "Lost Cause" lose its luster for him, and he was always active in behalf of his less fortunate comrades of the great struggle and their widows and children. Just this year he had given \$5,00 for the erection of a monument to memory of Confederate women. This when erected will be a monument to his memory also.

Coming from Appomattox with him view and examine the exhibit nothing and barefoot, even, Mr. made by the state department of ag- | Horne "borrowed" a couple of horses riculture and the bureau of horticul- from Sherman's army and made his ture. These in part tell the secret. first crop. It may or may not have

In 1908 he was a candidate for the fertilization, of soils, of seed selec- Democratic nomination for governor tion, of cure and prevention of plant of the state and ran a good third to disease, of prevention and elimination | Messrs. Craig and Kitchin, being loyof pests and parasites, of preparation ally supported by the Confederate of soils, cultivation of crops and of veterans of the state and many of preparation of farm products for mar- their sons. He was always prominent ket. In the state horticultural exhibit and active in public affairs, but asked is shown numerous varieties of mag- nothing for himself in the way of

of the agricultural interests of the heavy burden is the story of his fight state has been the boys' corn clubs with a fertilizer company whch tried and the girl's canning clubs. There to absorb the Caraleigh works at Ralwere not so many of these classes of eigh, which he had been instrumental company to run at a loss and Mr. taken by the girls and boys in prepar- he might be forced to place the com-

When railroad rates were exorbi tant on his cotton he started a wagon train to Raleigh in competition to

In addition to owning one of the best and largest farms in the state, was ever intended that such places ampton, Wilkes, Columbus, Surry, Ala- Mr. Horne owned a large store at should be in the classified service. mance and Forsyth. Twenty-seven Clayton, much stock in cotton mills, The justice of Senator Overman's o- boys had exhibits in the fair. The at Clayton and Raleigh. His estate counties of Moore, Wilkes, Granville, will certainly pass the \$500,000 mark

New Dormitory.

Greensboro. - Livingstone College, one of the best known and most popular schools for colored people in the South, located at Salisbury, is to have a new dormitory for girls, replacing the one which was burned a few years ago. The General Education Board of New York has pledged \$12,500, provided the colored people and their friends in the South raise \$37,500. of the A. M. E. Zion church and is in the midst of a campaign to raise

Apologizes For Arrest.

Greensboro .- Mayor Sutton of Kinston has written a letter to Mr. John L. King, of this city, apologizing for the latter's arrest while in Kinston conducting an auction sale of horses a few weeks ago. Mr. King refused town officials for selling horses at auction. A warrant was issued for It is planned to begin work upon Tar- is little doubt but that one of these him and he was tried and convicted. From the judgment he appealed.

Better Mail Service. Greensboro .- A government expert criminal docket of the superior court | work out a plan of rural delivery for | key, was discharged by the recorder. is practically clear. With the impos- the entire county, such as no other ing of sentences on a score of defend- county in the state except Mecklenants recently, the week's term of the burg has. This will mean the extentributing her estate of more than \$1, | court, which had been presided over | sion and redistricting of the routes | baseball club of Greensboro which is 000,000 among her children at her by Judge Frank Carter, adjourned and in rural Guilford so that routes will badly in debt. death is valid. Certain of the heirs the attorneys of this county are reach everybody. As the routes are brought suit for dissolution of the greatly pleased with the progress not formed so as to serve all, but have trust in which Cary K. Durfey is the which has been made. With three been gotten up by the more prosper- of improved oil mill machinery with surviving trustee on the ground that weeks more of court this year, it is ous communities, leaving the isolated headquarters in Piqua, Ohio, have believed that Buncombe county will farmers to get their mail as best recently established a branch in this

Just Begun to Grow.

lars has already been invested this ness men, died at his home recently. year in buildings which have been completed or begun in Charlotte. The ference November 7, has occasioned exact amount is the tidy sum of \$1.- pected. much regret. It was expected that | 186,956 from January 1 to October 1. the chief executive would visit Char- During the same period of last year | weighing 6 3-4 pounds was removed | plied by asking him who gives liberlotte November 7 and on that day re- the total was \$772,411. The increase from the desk of President Wilson review the grand parade of school chill is just \$414,545. In the language of cently and carried to the White dren and participate otherwise in the the Piedmon't humorist, "Pretty House kitchen. The potato was the festivities of that occasion. He has good, eh?" These figures would seem gift of Charles L. Robinson, of Linjust written Mr. J. Leake Carraway, to give a firm basis for the claim | colnton, N. C. The donor sent it, he of his inability to attend, at the same that Charlotte has just begun to said, "as a sample of Democratic

# NEWS OF NORTH CAROLINA Short Paragraphs of State News That Has Been Condensed For Busy

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Greenville.-A tract of 20 acres just outside the city has been bought as a site for a cotton mill and will be laid off at once. Work on the buildings will commence soon.

People of State.

Concord .- Joe Cannon Bost, the 10year-old son of Mr. and Mrs. R. H. Bost of No. 11 township was run down and instantly killed recently by the automobile of Mr. T. L. Ross of Kannapolis.

Winston.-Workmen recently began the excavation for the new \$10,000 store building on Trade street for the Forsyth Hardware Company, this being the large store building erected 1:8.

Winston-Salem .- The Yadkin and Dan Rivers have been on a "tear" recently on account of the severe rains which have fallen. Much bottom land with standing corn was covered and many farmers have serious losses.

Chapel Hill .- As North Carolina's representative, Dr. Chas. Lee Raper, professor of economics in the University went to Buffalo, N. Y., a few days ago to attend the Seventh National Conference on State and Local Taxation.

Wilmington.-Clarence Collins Williams, a young white man, formerly a brakeman on an Atlantic Coast Line freight train between Wilmington and Rocky Mount will ask the railroad to pay him \$25,000 for the loss of three Henrietta .- The officers and promo-

ters of the Western North Carolina Poultry Association have just held an exthusiastic business meeting and preparations for the annual show are being made. The date is December 4, 5 and 6 and the place Ellenboro.

Iredell's road money having been spent, the county commissioners have begun to dispose of some of the road building equipment. Eleven of the big mules used to draw wheelers have been sold to Davie county for simi-Greenville.-The high wind accom-

panying the drop in the temperature here recently blew down a large billboard on Annie Donaldson, colored, crushing her so badly that death re-His energy was indomitable. Char- sulted in a short while. The board along with his unwilling tool, Balaam. acteristic of his ability to carry a was near a sidewalk on which she Winston-Salem-The work of cleaning up the grounds preparatory to

the enlarging and remodeling of the government building in this city has been started, although it will be some weeks before the actual construction work can begin and probably spring before much headway can be made. Wake Forest.- The third annual

sophmore-junior debate was held in the Wingate Memorial Hall recently. The query was "Resolved, That the closed shop system is dertimental to the interests of the American people," and was ably discussed. The decision of the judges was rendered in favor of the affirmative.

Wilson.-With the prospect of large increase of working capital Wilson people expect to see big results from the future work of the Brett En. tional permission that he was to gineering & Contracting Company, a local concern. Late reports indicate that this concern will proceed to develop large tracts of North Carolina swamp land.

Scotland Neck .- Up to October 15 there had been ginned in Halifax county only 661 bales of cotton this season against 2,361 at the same time last year. The crop is not only unusually late in this section, but it is exceedingly short, say those in a position to know, caused partly by the severe storm that vsited Eastern Carolina several weeks ago, and partly by anthracnose.

Durham.-The board of aldermen have decided to have a sand-filter disposal plant, recommended by Mr. Gilbert C. White, erected on Third Fork Creek to take care of the sewerage to take out a \$50 license required by have them ready by the December meeting of the board. A committee getting the necessary land for the erection of such a plant.

Durham.-W. M. Wilkins, the Bragtown farmer, arrested on a charge of retailing because of his possession of will soon come to Guilford county to a government license to sell whis-Greensboro.-A public meeting was held in the chamber of commerce

> Charlotte.-The French Oil Mill Machinery Company, manufacturers

rooms recently in the interest of the

Asheville.-After an illness extending over several months, Dr. T. C. seem that James must have had Ba-Charlotte.-More than a million dol- | Smith, one of Asheville's pioneer busi- | laam in mind when he wrote these He had been in ill health for several months and his death was not unex-

city with W. P. Ferguson in charge.

Washington.-A hig sweet potato prosperity."

# INTERNATIONAL

Department, The Moody Bible Institute,

LESSON FOR NOVEMBER 2

BALAK AND BALAAM.

LESSON TEXT-Numbers 22:1-6, 24:10-19. Read Numbers chs. 21-24. GOLDEN TEXT-"A double-minded man, unstable in all his ways." Jas.

Following our last lesson the Isrealites marched along the borders of the wilderness meeting with much opposition. In Num. 20 we are told of the death of Aaron. They met Arad (21:1-3) and overthrew him. Moving around Edom was a difficult process and the people became discouraged. Again they murmured against God and against Moses. Swift punishment followed in the form of flery serpents, Num. 21:4-11. Confessing their sins Moses interceded on their behalf and the look at a brazen serpent suggested to them the necessary attitude of faith towards God. After sundry wanderings, the dwelling among the Amorites and the overthrow of sundry tribes, we come to their encounter with Balak. As they journeyed the report of their victories preceded them and Balak sought to protect himself against these strange "people come out of Egypt," by other means than that of war, for, said he, "they are covering the face of the earth." See Ex. 15:15.

Little Known About Balaam. Here Balaam appears upon the ene. Little is known about him. He evidently had a knowledge of Jehovah and yet was a sorcerer or spiritist, dealing with evil spirits, and was, probably, a Midianite.

I. The Call to Curse, Ch. 22:1-6. There are six personal pronouns in verse; Balak sought to fight fire with fire, to save his own face. He feared those whom God blessed. The world today hates those whom God blesses. Had Balak been wise he would have cast in his lot with Israel and not have miserably perished in battle

(See Num. 31:8, Josh. 13:32.) Balaam at first refused Balak's invitation (v. 13), but Balak sends more exalted messengers and greater offers of honor and rewards, promising him honor in the kingdom if he would but curse Israel (v. 17). Balaam again returns word that this is impossible (v. 18) for he cannot go beyond the word of Jehovah, not that he was in sympathy with that word at all, but he was conscious of Jehovah's power.

II. A Challenge by the way. Ch. 22: 22-35. The angel of Jehovah, as the agent of his anger, interposed to save Balaam from himself. Lust had so blinded his eyes that even an ass saw more clearly than he. God rebuked him and those who trafficked with evil spirits in order to produce results are mocked by the fact that a dumb ass found voice and spoke. Finally, after repeating his condispeak only the word Jehovah was to give him, he is permitted to proceed with the "princes of Balak."

# Balaam a Prophet.

III. The changeless message, Ch. 24. Read carefully the intervening chapters. In them we have the acount of Balaam meeting Balak and of his brief but wonderful prophecy concerning Israel. Balaam gives us a wonderful description of one who is a prophet (24:16). He (1) "heareth the words of God," (2) "knoweth the knowledge of the most high," (3) "seeth the vision of the almighty." Verse 17 is a wonderful phophecy of the Lord Jesus, who is "a star," for he "lighteth every man who cometh into the world." (See also 2 Pet. 1:19.) He is called "a sceptre" because of his kingly sway (see Lk. 1: 32, 33, Heb. 1:8). From the context from the southern section of the city. | we read how once his lips were open-Mr. White has been directed to draw ed he declared a wonderful prophecy up the plans and specifications and to | concerning these whom Balak considered his enemies and with prophetic eye he sees the coming glory of has also been appointed to look into Israel. Balak's anger is kindled, and he seeks to drive Balaam away, but each time there comes forth from his lips one of these unwelcome prophecies. These marvelous prophecies which fell from Balaam's lips, as an instrument, taught that this entire under world of evil is under control of Jehovah and its curses upon his people are important. He may even compel unwilling instruments, if needful, to become agents for the accomplishment of his purposes. Balaam's sad end strikingly illustrates the fact that a man may admire the ideal of righteousness and the beauty of holiness and yet failing to yield his own life to those principles fail utterly in the consummation of his life and his influence. He taught Israel to sin. The Golden Text. It would almost

words. Double-minded means "twominded" and unstable means that we lack foundation, are "not fastened down." James is speaking of the lack of wisdom which may be supally, but admonishes us to ask in faith, "nothing wavering." This is a picture of all men, who, knowing God, yet deny his power, and for the greed of gain refuse to yield to his claim and so fail in the realization of their true salves.