

city block have either been entirely destroyed or badly damaged. The flames raged for more than a half-hour while the firemen stood helpless as a result of a break in the city water mains. thirty years ago. The "murder farm" There also was another break which reduced the water pressure and hindered the firemen. The latest estimate places the loss at fully a million dollars. Parts of burning roofs fell in the city, due to a heavy wind.

An Atlanta dispatch says that when a cinnamon bear, with her two cubs, escaped from her cage at Grant Park about midnight, terrifying the entire neighborhood, with her vicious growls, an exciting chase ensued. The bear pursued a ngero up a tree and was tearing the black's trousers when a squad of policemen, led by Dan Carey, manager of parks, and Chief Jett, came to the rescue with their revolvers and shot and killed the bear, saving the frightened negro's life.

## General.

General Villa and his rebel army, after four days of almost incessant firing, during which victory seemed first with one side and then with the other, occupied Gomex and Palacio. Losses on both sides have been heavy. The rebels delivered three assaults before permanent success was achieved and at times the battle extended into the streets leading to Toreron proper.

A suffragette arson squad in Belon Belfast Lough. The loss is \$75,000.

are described as deplorable by Indian Commissioner Cato Sells, in his annual report. He says that 25,000 Indians are suffering from tuberculosis.

William P. Malburn of Denver, Colo., secretary of the treasury. Mr. Malburn will be in charge of the customs.

ished that work and was ordered to and Other Public Improvements." The Washington to await further assign- "army" expects to arrive in Washingment. Colonel Sibert has served as a ton, May 21. member of the isthmian canal comthe Atlantic division.

message, and he returned to his home struction of the law, was not enforced. in Cleveland, Ohio.

have under surveillance a woman homesteader. According to the reports from Canada, the woman was recognized as Mrs. Gunness by a man who went to school with her in Norway chief. mystery was a sensation in 1908.

Washington.

President Wilson won the opening skirmish of the great legislative battle of his administration when the house, over bitter protests from the recognized Democratic leaders and almost solid minority opposition, adopted a special rule for the consideration of the bill repealing the free tolls provision of the Panama canal act. Speaker Clark, Democratic Leader Underwood, Republican Leader Mann and Progressive Leader Murdock headed those lined up against the administration, but the house responded to the president's personal appeal for prompt

consideration of the repeal bill. The war department makes the claim that the rebels under Villa were | ing."

routed at Torreon, Mexico with great slaughter. Eight hundred men, under Gen. Joaqin Maas and Gen. Javier de Moure, it is announced, arrived opportunely from Saltillo in time to add greatly to the federal victory. The rebels are said to be retreating northward, with the federals pounding at their rear. It is admitted that Villa's men entered Lerdo, a suburb of Tor-

reon, but it is explained that this was fast burned down Abbeylands, the a ruse on the part of General Velasco country residence of Maj. Gen. Sir to ambush them. As soon as they were Hugh McCalmont near White Abbey well into that territory, the federal artillery shelled them out, the cavalry Health conditions among the Indians | charging as the rebels started to retreat.

President Wilson has been warned of the departure for Washington of a second "Coxey's Army," which, it is said, will start April 16 from Massiltook the oath of office as assistant | lon, Ohio, the starting point for the first "army" twenty years ago. "Gen." J. S. Coxey of Massillon, the leader, He is a son-in-law of Senator Thomas. has mailed a letter to the president Lieut. Col. William L. Sibert, build- telling of his plans and enclosing a er of the Gatun dam and the Gatun pamphlet on "The Coxey Plan of Setlocks of the Panama canal, has fin- ting the Idle to Work on Market Roads

After a vigorous partisan contest, mission and as engineer in charge of the house passed a bill to bar foreign convict-made or pauper-made goods

William Henry Yeomans, baby son from competition with the products of of Henry Yeomans, a wealthy mine United States free labor. The owner, was left alone in its cab on measure, which now goes to the senthe porch of his home. When the ate, follows a bill recently passed by nurse returned she found that a string the house forbidding the shipment of on its bonnet had caught a hook at convict-made goods in interstate comthe side of the buggy and in turning merce into states which prohibit the inquiry into the killing of Gaston over the infant had strangled itself sale of such products in the open marto death. A train on which the father ket. The importation of foreign conwas traveling to his Colorado proper- vict-made goods has been prohibited is said, and has expressed strong critities was stopped near Chicago by generally under the tariff laws since cism of the prison arrangements. means of a long distance telephone 1890, but, owing to the peculiar con-

Commissioner Sells of the bureau of Fighting of the most sanguinary Indian affairs has addressed to each Character took place in the streets of of the 6,000 employees of the service nearly all parts of the world will as-Gomez Palacio, El Verjil, Mexico. The a letter which he has instructed shall semble in Washington April 22 to at-

Carranza's own army Visitors were eager to catch a glimpse of the one man in Mexico whom General Villa recognizes as

He is a big man and vigorous despite his 65 years. To those who were presented to

him, he stretched a big strong hand. "Have you any advices from Torreon?" he was asked. "I think there has been no news

committee. since last night." was the reply. "Perhaps General Villa has not yet taken

district.

the city." He added that he had no occasion to modify his decree of several months ago wherein he stated that no act or contract of the Huerta Government would be recognized, should the revolutionists succeed in capturing Mexico City.

"Huerta is not President of Mexico and none of his acts can be legal, and therefore none of them can be bind-

REBEL LOSSES ARE HEAVY

Chihuahua Now Has \$\$8 Wounded Men from the Torreon Battlefield. here from the front was unfavorable

to the Rebels. Several hundred state is badly out of "whack." The sary or reasonble." wounded were being provided for at instrument was broken during the Jiminez and batches of wounded administration of Governor Russell were distributed at Parral and Santa and was somewhat crudely repaired. Rosalia. There are 558 wounded reb-Also some of the letters have become so badly worn as to show up poorly els here.

in the imprints. This evidence of the sanguinary

conflict at Torreon, with the suggestion that the list of dead on the rebel side necessarily would be great, tended to make headquarters reticient about the progress of the battle. Of- Then there were a number of colonial ficers admitted they had received dispatches from the front, but declined

to reveal the contents. The report originated from one of changed in those designs being ofthe hospitals that Gen. Francsico Villa had been wounded slightly and fered. compelled to leave the front. The re-

port was based on the word of a Supreme Court Appeals. wounded soldier, who, however, in-The appeals decided in the recent sisted he had seen Villa wounded. delivery of opinions are: He declared that for moral effects the Auman vs. Lumber Company, Samp-

of the rebel army.

Mme. Callaux Criticises. Paris. - Mme. Caillaux has been greatly benefited by her rest in Saint Lazare prison, while M. Boucard, the investigating magistrate, has been examining witnesses at the preliminary Calmette, editor of Figaro. She has regained much of her serenity and it

For Better Child Life.

Washington .- Leaders in the move-

culture, also for offices for the work-"And be it further resolved that the ers from the government co-operating chairman of this committee designate in the Animal Husbandry Division unsome member in those districts which

der Mr. Gray to have offices in the now have no chairman to call the agricultural building at A. & M. committee together for the purpose of College. calling the judicial convention in said

This adjusts a serious condition "Resolved, further, that if two forlose the government forces in these mer chairmen now live in the same divisions of work, on account of indistrict that they jointly call a meeting of the committee for the purpose ability to provide office quarters.

of calling a convention of the judicial Cannot Flog State Convicts.

"Be it resolved by the Democratic In the opinions just delivered by state committee that the plan of orthe Supreme Court there is one in ganization be amended as follows: the case of State vs. Nipper and John-

"It shall be the duty of the chairson, from Wake, involving the right men of the various congressional, of convict guards to flog unruly conjudicial and senatorial committees of victs or administer other corporal the state immediately after they are punishment, the Supreme Court holdelected, to furnish to the chairman of ing with Judge Cooke of the Superior the state committee all lists of the Court that there is no such right names and the postoffice addresses of

etiher through the state constitution the members of their committees, inor through legislative statute. The dicating the chairman and secretary. Supreme Court declares-Chief Jus-

## State Seal is Badly Worn.

tice Clark writing the opinion-that: "In view of the enlightment of Secretary of State J. Bryan Grimes this age and the progress which has and Governor Craig are co-operating been made in prison discipline, we in the purchase of a new great seal have no difficulty in coming to the of state for the governor's office. The conclusion that corporal punishment

seal now in use is badly worn and the by flogging is not reasonable and can-Chihuahua, Mex .- News as reached mechanism by which it is operated in not be sustained. That which deattaching the seal to documents of grades a man cannot be either neces-

> Agents Must Have New Licenses. State Commissioner of Insurance Young calls attention to the fact that

the licenses of all insurance agents in Lettuce growers in New Hanover this state expire April 1 and that the county say that the cold weather of The present seal has been in use applications for renewal are coming the first and the latter part of the since 1883. The seal that was in use in remarkably slow. Under the law present month has had the effect of prior to that time was made in 1836 they will have no authority to do busdamaging the lettuce crop to the exand the one prior to that in 1794. iness after April 1 until these renewtent of delaying shipments 30 days, als are procured. There are about and of reducing the output from oneseals. Drawings of new seals have 13,000 agents in the state and the comhalf to two-thirds of what was expectbeen received from a number of panies and the agents must sign all ed the yield would be. manufacturers. The general design application for renewal blanks for Capt. J. C. Michle made the first

of the seal is being considerably which have been distributed.

## Harrison Visits Raleigh.

President Fairfax Harrison of the ter company said in this written Southern Railway Company spent sevstatement that the break in the main eral hours in the city recently with was something that human agencies Vice President A. B. Andrews and could not have prevented, and was was a caller at the office of Governor not the result of carelessness on the Craig and the Corporation Commispart of the water company. sion with whom he discussed a number of matters informally. With Presrecently passed an ordinance requirident Harrison were Vice President and Traffic Manager J. M. Culp and for table use must be securely wrap-Vice President and General Manager ped so as to protect it from flies, dirt E. H. Coapman.

Bolejack's Sentence Commuted. James Bolejack gets a commutation from death sentence' to life imprisonment. He is the aged Mecklenboard Air Line, Bladen, dismissed for burg county man sentenced to die April 4th for wife murder.

Major Kuekendall Succeeds Barker.

Raleigh .- Major E. D. Kuekendall, of Greensboro, succeeds Col. Max L. the whole matter of plans for the Barker as commander of the North new building will be left with the

of the twentieth of May committee. Secretary Daniels, Senator Overman, to occupy them.

Martin of Davidson College.

S. Farmer, all of Raleigh.

Durham Will Rebuild.

The merchants who were burned

ago, have nearly all made arrange-

those which have been destroyed.

NORTH CAROLINA BRIEFS.

and dust, and the ordinance, it is said,

Following the example of several

bern officials and health authorities

are planning to inagurate a campaign

At a meeting of the board of direc-

other cities in North Carolina, New-

will be strictly enforced.

against the fly.

W. M. U. Elects Officers.

Real Hospitality. Representative Webb and Dr. W. J. II. A Holy Recompense, vv. 12-14. -The man who makes a feast invites those who can return his favor or else thereby pays his obligations to so-With the passage of resolutions thanking Hendersonville people for ciety. Not so the members of the that was about to cause the state to their hospitality in entertaining, the kingdom (Matt. 6:1-6, 16-18). "Reelection of officers for the ensuing compense" is here the key. Those who are needy cannot make any mayear and the consideration of committee reports, the State Baptist Wo- terial recompense and the one who man's Missionary Union, which has gives the feast does not need any other recompense than that of the been in session here for four days, gratitude of those served and the apadjourned. Some of whom have served for many years and none less than proval, "well done," from the king. This does not forbid the interchange two were re-elected: President, of hospitality and courtesies but does Miss Fannie E. S. Heck; treasurer, warn us lest in our elaborate feasts Mrs. Wesley N. Jones; corresponding we overlook the poor, but worthy secretary, Miss Blanche Barruss; superintendent of Sunbeams and Royal ones. In the kingdom, hospitality consists of a desire to give rather than Ambassadors, Miss Elizabeth N.

Briggs; recording secretary, Mrs. J. to get. III. A Heavenly Invitation, vv. 15-24-One of the guests seems to have been impressed with the words of Jesus and exclaimed, "Blessed is he that shall eat bread in the kingdom of out in the fire at Durham a few days God." He seemed to realize that the conduct Jesus was speaking of was ments for temporary quarters and to be found only there. In answer our some of them will leave soon for the Lord gave us this parable of the great Northern markets to lay in another supper in which he describes an atstock of goods. A number of them mosphere like that created by his host have also held conferences with the and the guests there present. By this owners of the burned buildings and parable he replies to this man, conwill begin at once to go over plans trasting the admixing of an ideal and for new buildings in the place of being willing to be governed by that ideal. (a) Those who refused. This was a "great supper," a time of great joy and many were invited, see Gal. 4:4, 5; Matt. 3:2; Mark 1:14, 15. All men had to do was to "come," Isa. 55:1; Matt. 11:28; John 7:37; Rev. 22:17. There were three who made excuses, yet all three refused the invitation. The first (v. 18) was the man whose property stood in his way (II Tim. 4:10; I Tim. 6:9). The second allowed a dumb ox, that might have received attention later, to take precedence over the glad feast. Dopublic statement about the break in mestic demands and godless home ties the main which resulted in such deare used frequently by the evil one to struction of property recently at Durkeep men out of the kingdom. The ham. The superintendent of the wathird excuse (v. 20) was still less justifiable, for this man should have brought his wife with him. It was her place as much as his to accept the invitation. However, to spurn God's invitation does not mean that there shall be any lack of guests, see John. The Greensboro City Commission 1:11 and Matt. 21:31. (2) Those who accepted this invitation (vv. 21-24). ing that all bread sold in Greensboro Thus to be spurned made the master of the house "angry" (v. 21).

God's Method.

This is God's method of filling empty churches. If we wear out consecrated shoe-leather during the week men will not forget us on the Sabbath, and guests will always be found for God's table. "Compulsion" (v. 23) indicates intense, earnest effort in bringing men to Christ (II Cor. 5:20; tors of the First National Bank of Col. 1:28; II Tim. 4:2). Men should Durham a few days ago a committee be reluctant only through a sense of was appointed to immediately take their unworthiness, which is in reality up the erection of a skyscraper, but their greatest possible fitness.

Here again the question of host and quest is thrust upon us. In society

son County, modified and affirmed news was withheld from the rank with costs against the appellant; Ward vs. Alberson, Duplin county, no error; State vs. Horton, Franklin, no error; In re will of Cooper, Wake, no error; Rees vs. Williams, Wake, petition to rehear dismissed; Clarement College vs. Riddle, Catawba, af-

firmed; Rackley vs. Rackley, Robeson, dismissed for failure to file printed briefs: McArthur vs. Land & Timber Co., Cumberland, dismissed for failure to file brie's; Porter vs. Seafailure to file printed briefs.

N. C. Pine Men Meet in Norfolk.

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The twenty-fifth annual meeting of

the North Carolina Pine Association,

composed of lumber manufacturers in