

"I beg your pardon, Mr. Webster; I mow perceive, since Mr. Hutton's cierk, the moment he saw me the next day at the police-court, disclosed it as a matter of mark was partly the involuntary expression course. The result you know. Mr. Hutnotes to Brown, and request him to take them in Mr. Curtis's name to young Mr low with a sandy poll, and a pair of the Webster?" Hutton, greatly startled, glanced keenly

relieve their wants, will build asylums for In 1876, under the Canby system, their urally, too, the Republicans support the their unfortunate and schools for their real property had gone down to \$38,936 -

anby system.

For 108 years, that is to say, from the day North Carolina ceased to be a dependent province and became a free State, with the exception of the ten years under scrip ranged in value from nothing to Canby's Constitution, our county affairs scrip is at par. were administered by magistrates chosen by the Legislature. After the Canby Constitution went into operation county affairs were administered by commissioners elected by the people. Magistrates were also clected by the people. As soon as the white people of North

Carolina got the power into their own hands again, they restored their old or and not only this, but they brought county democratic/system of electing magistrates. leaving to commissioners, appointed by the magistrates, the management of county affairs. In old times the magistrates themfor dollar. selves attended to county affairs; now, commissioners appointed by the magistrates attend to them. That is the whole difference. It pleased the people to order their affairs to be administered in that way during all the years before the Canby Constitution, and it has pleased the people to have them so administered since.

But there is more reason for us to preserve the system than there was for our forefathers to adopt it, for there was then no Federal Government to convert African laved into American freemen. In certain counties, mainly in the eastern part of the state, negro voters have been since the war in an indisputable majority. In other counties they were in such large numbers, so near an absolute majority, that, under men in the white counties voted, accordthe Canby system of County Government, with a handful of scallawags or carpetbaggers to help them, they had entire conas, had the white men in the white coun-They sent whom they pleased to the Legislature, they elected whom they pleased as commissioners to administer unty affairs, to levy county taxes and to control county expenditures, to be magistrates, and to control the public schools. It is needless to say that the taxes thus levied under negro rule, and expended under negro rule; that the schools under negro rule for white children, and the administration of justice for white men by negro officials, were all paid for by white Legislature. men. It does not set well on a white man's stomach to be arrested by a negro constable or to be tried before a negro magistrate.

Of course, when taxes are levied and expended by men who pay none, the levy is heavy and the expenditure lavish. This is true of men, whether white or black; but in addition to this, the average colored voter conscientiously believes he is honestly entitled to everything that he can get from the white man, and that get what he will, he will never balance his account against the white man for services renlered during slavery.

These things being so, the question naturally arose as to the best legal, peaceable remedy for them.

'A moment's consideration showed that, so long as the Canby Constitution was unchanged, the Canby system must remain in force, and thus a strong stimulus was given to the agitation for its repeals

In 1874 the people elected a Legislature in which two-thirds of both Houses were Democrats. These members of the Legisature very well knew that the people had Sont this number there that a convention might constitutionally be called and relief thereby afforded to the negro-ridden coun-The Convention was duly called, and met in 1875. Among other amendments to the Constitution, they proposed one giving the Legislature power to adopt such system of County Government as to it might seem best, with the full understanding that relief should be given to the surgro counties.

the man worthy to fill the highest seat in voters in the negro counties. single shilling. The accusation would settled purpose in his look. "Is amount too, within a short time. The streets are These amendments were submitted to by a man to whom I was personally un-But what are these negro counties worth the gift and place in the hearts of his peo- character of Hutton senior pretty well; the people for ratification or rejection in known, and who could not, therefore, be always be hanging over his head, and we and length of time to run of any conse- neat and well laid out and there is a ple. Dr. York mortified many of his old pray what is that of his son?" to the tax-payers of the State? thriving school there of which Rev. W. certain that I was the Edmund Webster evenber, 1876. The canvass was memshould remain forever disgraced as we now quence?" The whole amount of the taxes levied friends, and for the sake of decency and "Well, like myself, he is rather fast he professed to be in search of. What are, in the eyes of the world." "None whatever, if the parties are M. Kennedy and his son, Mr. D. S. Kenorable for its length and for the obstinacy with which the Republicans, backed by for the last fiscal year was in round num- what he has been, it is hoped he will not nedy, are the principals. Miss Bevvie Kennedy, daughter of the former, and perhaps, but not the less a good sort of with the effect of the wine I drank and unlimited Federal patronage and unlimit- bers \$552,000. Of this amount the twenty- again trifle so wantonly with the sensibili-"I have turned that over in my natural exultation, I was, I well rememellow enough. He sailed the week 'Cash down on the nail?" ed Federal money, fought us step by step seven negro counties paid \$232,000, much ties of the people, the proprieties of the before last for Riga, on business." replied Hutton, "and I think I can meet well known in this section as a successful ber, in a state of great excitement when I and at every point until sundown on the more than one-third, and almost one-half occasion, or with the requirements of a "Cash down on the nail, minus, of your wishes. Undertake to cancel the " Before you were apprehended?" left the tavern, and hardly seemed to feel course, the interest." teacher, is one of the assistants. day of election, to say nothing of what of the whole amount, that is to say, over 42 gentleman. debt I owe you, and I will wait publicly "On the morning of the same day. Let | my feet as I hurried away to Mark Lane to "Of course. Well, then, Mr. Thompto-morrow upon the magistrate with a letthey attempted afterwards through Kil- per cent of the whole amount. me see, where was 1? Oh-Mr. Hutton's inform Mr. Hutton of my good luck, and aversion to the partnership, the knowledge bid his counting-house and the corn-trade son, I have a promissory note signed by Mr. Edmund Webster of London, for five WAYS OF "THE CIDER NAG" ter in my hand purporting to be from my Wasn't C. K. an Editor ? With bad County Government in the son, and stating that it was he who took patrick and others. Throughout the State, from Cherokee to | negro counties; with heavy levies of taxes of which suggested my plan of operation. a final farewell. He was not at home, and the notes from my desk, and employed a hundred and fifty pounds, at six months' man of the name of Brown to exchange date, which I should like to discount." In Races for Office. [Newbern Journal Letter.] Currituck, from the South Carolina bor- and extravagant expenditures; with the C. K. says he is a model farmer. Says I induced him to represent to my father I went in and seated myself in his private der to the Virginia line, every speaker ap- unsettled, disturbed conditions of society. [Newbern Journal Letter.] that I should pass at least two or three room to await his return. I have no doubt "Webster of the Minories?" pealed to the people for the relief of the sure to follow the effort to force negro them for your son's acceptance, he being he to one of his tenants, "Bryan do you begro-ridden counties, and everywhere rule on white men; with no immigrants know what constitutes a good farmer?" months in the counting-house, before the At Richlands last Saturday, though that that, as the clerk has since deposed. I did anxious that Mr. Edmund Webster should "No; his father is a retired corn-mervillage is a prohibition village, the hard "Well," says K., "always keep ahead of Mr. Hutton's sake, in order that it might true also, that, after vainly waiting for that more that might is partner; a purpose matter was irreversibly concluded, for his, look flustered, agitated; and it is quite with success. As an evidence of this, the coming in; with good citizens leaving to Bryan says, "Don't know as I does, sir." chant, residing in the Regent's Park. The cider flowed freely. It was "won't you have some cider?" "What kind?" he says. "Ward cider," says he. "Certainly I upwards of an hour, I suddenly left the that would necessarily be frustrated if he, bill's as safe as a Bank of England note." amendments were ratified by a majority of seek homes where white men rule white The people knew full well what they the market only to find no purchaser, ex-the decouple and long with hed blood of taming me into habits of method and place, and, as it happened, unnoticed by and long attained in the market only to find no purchaser, ex-the market only to find men; with farm after farm thrown upon your work." Bryan studied a moment and be ascertained if there was any possibility "I know the party. But why doesn't were doing when they ratified the amend- cept at a terrible sacrifice; with bad blood mer, 'cause you was half done gathering application; and I hypocritically enforced anybody. Immediately upon leaving Mark 13,605 votes the rich brother-in-law you spoke of cash will;" but says another, "that is not The people knew full well what they were doing when they ratified the amend-ment giving power to the Legislature to ix the County Governments as it pleased, the Legislature knew full well what the Legislature to pay their present proportion if the Legislature to pay their present proportion to the State taxes? Property must deand the Legislature knew full well what it was doing when it exercised that power and enacted the present system: and the syst and enacted the present system; and the crease, values must diminish, and taxes home till morning.

children; in a word, do everything in their 688. In 1883, under the present system, power to improve the moral, intellectual, it had advanced to \$46,021,259. social and physical condition of the negro, Under the Canby system their county but they will never consent to live under his rule. (highest) 667 cents. Now their county It was this feeling that, born in the

white man, has grown with his growth The records then show that, under the 3 and strengthened with his strength, that years of Democratic rule, the negro county led to the return to the present system of expenses were \$314,594 less than under County Government in North Carolina, the three years preceding under the Canby and we scorn to attempt any disguise or system. And not only this, but the Dem-

concealment of the fact. ocrats with that much less money, paid If, then, we shall retain the present sys-\$266,198 of former county indebtedness; tem, we shall know full well what we are doing. The fruits of that system are beorders and county obligations generally, fore us in the shape of economical governfrom their various stages of shameful dement, the happy homes of a prosperous preciation up to par, so that they have people, enjoying the kindest possible resince been almost universally worth dollar lations between the two races. When things are doing so well, why change?

But what are the negro counties worth Why not let well enough alone? to the Democratic party? So, too, if we return to the Canby sys-

The total white vote of these twentyseven counties, according to the last census, was 51,031, or twenty-seven per cent. of the possible white vote of the State. The vote cast for Jarvis in these counties, and it was all white, was 40,193, that is

to say, seventy-eight per cent. or more means people fleeing from their homes, than three-fourths of the white men in the negro counties. In the white counties of means bad blood between the races. the State only fifty-eight per cent., or but little more than one-half of the white men voted for him. In other words, if the white men of the | Answer.

negro counties had voted, according to 404 DR. YORK AT MARSHALL. their strength, no better than the white

ing to their strength, Jarvis would have Shaming Men-Driving Women Away. been beaten more than 4,000 votes. Where-

[Asheville Citizen.]

ties voted as well as the white men in the negro counties, his majority would have thirty minutes delivered himself in such a pises poverty with a laced coat on its back been more than 30,000. speech as we have never before heard Why this is so, any thinking man may see at a glance. The white man in the negro county realizes fully the importance of going to the polls and casting his vote who had gathered to hear a discussion be- corn-trade, my imaginary sword into an in the State election. It is only in the State election that his vote counts, and he knows he must make himself felt somewhere, if he would get relief from the

Deprive him of this relief, and you will take from him the inducement to vote the party, will tolerate such language. He 'that he had permitted Ellen Bramston to Democratic ticket with the zeal that he does vote it. Send him back to negro falsified facts, and began a coarse, low City parvenu, but it was utterly preposterrule, with the knowledge that it is the Democratic party that sends him back, of leading democrats.

thus cutting him off from all hope in the General Scales' reply was the severest condemnation of the man and speech we future, and you certainly cannot expect brethren do in other counties in the State, and then, ---- and then there will be no | indignation and shame, and grew eloquent more Democratic majority in the State; in his denunciation and characterization of that is all.

elections to the Republicans? If not, then | and dirt, if that was his congenial element, negro counties back to negro rule. We do not say that the white men there

will join the Republican party, but we do white men elsewhere have, and not as I am too much of a gentleman to do that; fore voting to change the present system lips of any man holding and aspiring to a father. of County Government, for it is the hope high position. General Scales' every sen-

white men of the East vote so well. Let every man who considers the success showing they felt the severe castigation upon the protection it affords to its white word which fell from his lips bespoke him to it."

ble, for my own sake, in order that you may not be working in the dark; and first. I must beg your attention to one or two family matters, essential to a thorough appreciation of the position in which I am

if you please.

placed. "Go on, sir: it is my duty to hear all you have to say.'

"I shall relate every circumstance, Mr.

Waters as clearly and truthfully as possi

My father," proceeded Mr. Edmund Webster, "who, as you are aware, resides in the Regent's Park, retired about five years ago from the business in Mark Lane, which has since been carried on by the former junior partner, Mr. Hutton. . Till within the last six months, I believed myself destined for the army, the purchasemoney of a cornetcy having been lodged at the Horse Guards a few days after I came of age. Suddenly, however, my father changed his mind, insisted that I

should become a partner of Hutton's in the corn-trade, and forthwith withdrew the tem, we shall do so with our eves wide money lodged for the commission. I am open, for the fruits of that system also are not even yet cognizant of all his motives before us. It means corrupt government, for this seeming caprice; but those he alit means bad government, it means exleged were, first, my spendthrift, idle habits, an imputation for which, I confess, travagant and oppressive government, it means poverty, it means bankruptcy, it there was too much foundation : though as to whether the discipline of the countinghouse would, as he believed, effect a bene-Are you ready to pay this price for the ficial change, there might be two opinions. Canby system? Answer, as before God Another, and, I have no doubt, much more powerfully inducing motive with him his pale face again suffused with an angry and man you must do on election day. was, that I had formed an attachment for flush. Miss Ellen Bramston, the second daughter

of Captain Bramston, of the East India Company's service, residing at Hampstead upon his half-pay. My father strongly disapproved of the proposed alliance : like

most of the successful city men I have Dr. York then took the stand and for known or heard of, he more heartily desthan in rags; and he knew no more efequaled on the stump. It was coarse, vul- fectual plan could be hit upon for frustragar, bitter. He became so vulgar that ting my wishes, than by transforming my ladies on the opposite side of the street expected cornetcy into a partnership in the tween gentlemen aspiring to an honorable | actual goose-quill; Captain Bramston, who position, had to retire. It shocked his is distantly related to an earl, being even opponents, and shamed every decent man prouder than he is poor, and a man that on the ground, of all parties. Dr. York would rather see his daughter in her coffin evidently mistakes the character of our | than married to a trader. 'It was condemountain people if he thinks they, of any scension enough,' he angrily remarked, stated that General Scales had knowingly encourage the addresses of the son of a attack upon the private character and acts ous to suppose she could wed an actual

corn-chandler.""

"Corn-chandler!"

him to go to the polls any better than his ever heard. He gave expression to the ant phrase, when I informed him of my sentiments of a manly heart, swelling with father's sudden change of purpose. The proposed partnership was as distasteful to myself as to Captain Bramston; but my the man and the speech. Turning to York, father proved inexorable-fiercely so, Are we ready to surrender our State he told him if he wished to wallow in filth may say-to my entreaties, and those of my sisters; and I was placed in the dilemwe must not send our brethren of the he could flounder therein to his heart's ma, either of immediate banishment from content, but he could not drag him (Scales) home, and probable forfeiture of my indown to him. After quoting some of heritance, or the loss of Ellen Bramston, York's statements and charges, and show- to whom, with all my follies, I was and say that they will have no more induce- ing their recklessness, he said, "I will not am devotedly attached. After much anxment to go to the polls and vote than follow him and say he has told a falsehood. jous cogitation, I hit upon a scheme, requiring for a time the exercise of a conmuch. There, a little over three-fourths | but I will say he is too ignorant to know | siderable amount of deceit and dissimulaof the white men vote the Democratic any better." He characterized the last tion, which would, I flattered myself, ulticket; elsewhere, only a little over a half. | speech of York as being the most ungen- | timately reconcile interest with inclina-See the difference, and count the cost, be- tlemanly he had ever heard fall from the tion-give me Ellen, and not lose my

"To which deceit and dissimulation you of holding that system that makes the tence aroused the wildest enthusiasm of are doubtles indebted for your present unapproval, even those of his opponents fortunate position?"

"You have rightly anticipated. But to of the Democratic party essential to pros- given the fellow who was put up as their proceed. Mr. Hutton himself, I must tell perity in North Carolina ponder well these standard bearer, and also feeling it was you, was strongly adverse to receiving me things, for so far as facts and figures can well deserved. We have never known a as a partner, though for some reason or tell the story, the ascendancy of the Dem- more effective speech, or one that left a other he durst not openly oppose the proocratic party in North Carolina depends | finer impression upon the people. Every | ject; his son, John Hutton, also objected

"His son, John Hutton! I know the

of a thought which suddenly glanced across my mind." "I have little more of preliminary de-

all attention.

tail to relate," he went on to say. "Contrary to our hope and expectation, my father became not a whit more liberal with his purse than before-the reverse rather:

and I soon found that he intended to keep the screw on till the accomplishment of the hated partnership placed an insuperable bar between me and Ellen Bramston. I used to converse frequently upon these matters with Mr. Hutton, as unreservedly as I do now with you; and I must say that, although extremely anxious to avoid any appearance of opposition to my father, he always expressed his warmest sympathy with my aims and wishes; so much so, in fact, that I at last ventured to ask him for the loan of about five hundred pounds, that being the least sum which would enable me to pay off the most pressing of the claims by which I was harassed, and carry out my wedding project. That brother.' favor, however, he flatly refused, under the plea that his having done so would sooner r later come to my father's knowledge.

"And Mr. Hutton, after that refusal, continued to afford you opportunities of Curtis? helping yourself, had you been so minded?" Yes; unquestionably he did : but what

though it is more than probable that of that?" sharply replied the young man, mentioned it to both of them."

"Nothing, sir, nothing. Go on: I am "Well, I made application to several this business.

"He is anxious you should do so, and money-lenders with the like ill success, Brown; and whilst I was meditating sev-

till last Monday fortnight, when I was accosted at Mr. Hutton's place of business in the Corn-market, where I happened to be for a few minutes alone, by a respectable-looking middle-aged man, who asked me if I was the Mr. Edmund Webster who had left a note at Mr. Curtis's of Bishopsgate Street, on the previous Saturday, requesting the loan of five hundred pounds. upon my acceptance at six months' date. I eagerly replied in the affirmative; upon which Mr. Brown, as the man called himself, asked if I had the promissory note for five hundred and fifty pounds, as I had proposed, ready drawn; as, if so, he would give me cash at once. I answered in a flurry of joyous excitement, that I had not the note drawn or the stamp with me, but if he would wait a few minutes until Mr. Hutton or a clerk came in, I would get one and write the acceptance immediately He hesitated for a moment, and then said I am in a hurry this morning, but I will conceal you?"

wait for you in the coffee-room at the Bay-Tree Tavern; have the kindness to be as quick as you can, and draw the note in favor of Mr. Brown.' He had not been gone above three or four minutes, when a clerk came in. I instantly hurried to a man entered the room. After a few hypostationer's, wrote the note in his shop, and speeded on with it to the Bay-Tree Tavern. The coffee-room was full, except the box point at once, and with a vengeance. where sat Mr. Brown, who, after glancing at the acceptance, and putting it quickly up, placed a roll of notes in my hand. Do not display your money,' he said, " before all these people. You can count the notes under the table." I did so: they for borrowed moneyswere quite correct-ten fifties; and I forth-

with ordered a bottle of wine. Mr. Brown, however, alleging business as an excuse, did not wait till it was brought-bade me good-day and disappeared, taking in his urry, my hat instead of his own.

and, strange as it must appear to you, and does now to myself, it did not strike me and transported for life." at the time as at all extraordinary or unbusiness-like, that I should have five hun-

bootless chase I was led by a distant ton when he heard who it was that had been taken into custody, kept resolutely glimpse of light or red hair; and one felout of the way; and, after several remands. I was set at liberty, the magistrate remark- longest legs I ever saw, kept me almost at ing that he knew of no case which showed a run for two mortal hours one sultry hot in the questioner's face, and did not imin a more striking light the need of a pub- morning, on the road to Chertsey, before mediately answer. "No, I did not," he lic prosecutor in this country. My account | I headed him, and confronted a pair of | at last replied in a low, shaking voice. of the way in which I became possessed of | fat cheeks, as round and red as an apple, the note was, as you know, scouted, and between which lay, scarcely visible, a short quite naturally: Mr. Curtis, of Bishopsgate Street, having denied all knowledge length, however, met their reward. I of Mr. Brown, or that he had commis-sioned any one to present me with five a piece of meat in the market-place. He hundred pounds in exchange for my acceptance. Thus stigmatized and disgraced me, and wore, moreover, a fashionable hat, as marble. No further answer could be . returned home to find my father struck strongly suggestive of Bond Street. After awhile he parted from his wife, and made down, in what was at first thought would prove mortal illness, by the blow-Captain | towards a public house, into the parlor of groans and hisses of the excited auditory. which I entered close after him. I had Bramston's door shut against me-and now leisure to observe him more closely. the settled marriage of my eldest sister, Jane, with an amiable young man, peremptorily broken off by his relatives, on account of the assumed criminality of her

plainness much anxiety of mind, arising, "This is indeed a sad, mysterious business, Mr. Webster," I remarked, when the probably, from pecuniary embarrassment, not, I judged, from a burdened conscience. young man had ceased speaking; "but pray tell me, did either Mr. Hutton or his I presently obtained further and decisive proof, though that was scarcely needed, son know of your application to Mr. that Mr. Skinner, as the waiter called him, was my Mr. Brown: in rising to leave the "I cannot say that either of them did,

"Well, Mr. Webster, I have confidence

in your veracity; but it is essential that I should see your father before engaging in

as carly as possible."

It was then arranged that I should call eral modes of action, the sight of a board, upon which was painted, "This ground to on Webster, senior, at three o'clock the same afternoon, and announce myself to be let on Building Leases: Apply to Mr. the servants as Mr. Thompson. I was Skinner, Builder," at once decided me. 1 punctual to the time appointed, and was forthwith ushered by one of the daughters half a mile out of Guildford, the next into her father's presence. He was not morning, inquired as to the conditions of yet sufficiently recovered to leave his bed; | the said leases, walked with him over the and I had hardly exchanged half-a-dozen ground in question, calculated together deposited his coat on a side counter when sentences with him, when the same young lady by whom I had been introduced has- would cost, and finally adjourned to the coat and dragged it up to him and out of tily returned to say Mr. Hutton was below Rose and Crown to discuss the matter fur- a huge pocket brought forth a large size and requested an immediate interview. ther over a bottle of wine. Skinner was shot sack filled to the top with what the Mr. Webster bade his daughter tell Mr. as free a soul, I found, as ever liquor be- merchant supposed to be either gold or Hutton he was engaged, and could not be trayed into indiscretion: and I soon heard silver, and as the merchant is a man that interrupted; and she was turning away to that he had lately been to London, and always has an eye to business, commenced do so, when I sold hastily, "Excuse me, had a rich brother-in-law there of the name studying how he should capture a goodly Mr. Webster, but I should exceedingly of Hutton, with other less interesting par- amount of this specie by selling him a like to hear, with my own ears, what Mr. | ticulars. This charming confidence he | large bill of merchandise. He asked his Hutton has to say, unobserved by him." "You may do so with all my heart," replied; "but how shall we manage to "Easily enough-under the bed;" and

suiting the action to the word, I was in a I am, and especially if I am able to pay had supplied his wants for the present, moment out of sight. Miss Webster was then told to ask Mr. Hutton to walk up, and in a few minutes that worthy gentlecash sometimes, on security.

"A pawnbroker?" queried Mr. Skinner, doubtfully. critical condolences upon the invalid's "Not exactly that: I oftener take perstate of health, Mr. Hutton came to the sons in pledge than goods. What I mean by money-dealer, is a man who discounts

"I am come, Mr. Webster," he began in the signatures of fast men with good exa determined tone, "to say that I will enpectations, who don't mind paying handdure this shilly-shallying no longer. Either you give up the bonds you hold of mine, somely in the end for present accommoda-

"Eleven thousand pounds and upwards !" groaned the sick man.

the decanter. "About that sum, I am aware, including interest; in discharge of which load of debt I was, you know, to have given a third share of my business to your admira-"I was, you will readily believe, exceed-ing jubilant at this lucky turn of affairs; those bonds, or I forthwith prosecute your son, who will as certainly be convicted,

"1 tell you again." retorted the excited

"Let me refresh your memory. Did you not say to Brown, or rather Skinner. snub-nose. Patience and perseverance at your brother-in-law-

A slight scream escaped the quivering lips of the detected conspirator, and a blaze of frenzied anguish and alarm swept answered precisely to the description given over his countenance, leaving it as white obtained from him; and as soon as possible he left the office, followed by the Skinner was then brought forward; he made a full and ample confession, and He appeared to be a respectable sort of Edmund Webster was at once discharged, man, but a careworn expression flitted at amidst the warm felicitations of the magistimes over his face, which to me, an adept | trate and the uproarious gratulations of in such signs, indicated with sufficient his friends. It was intended to indict Mr. Hutton for perjury; but the unhappy man chose to appear before a higher tribunal than that of the Old Bailey. He was found dead in his bedroom early the next morning. His affairs were found to be in a state of insolvency, though the deficit was not large; 15s. in the pound having been. I understood, ultimately paid to the room, I took his hat, which he had hung creditors. Miss Ellen Bramston, I must up, in apparent mistake for my own, and not in conclusion omit to state, became in the half-minute that elapsed before I Mrs. Edmund Webster shortly after the replaced it, saw plainly enough, "Lewis, triumphant vindication of her lover's char-Bond Street, London," on the inside label. The only question now was, how best to acter; and, I believe, Miss Webster was avail myself of the lucky turning up of Mr. made a wife on the same day.

----TAKE CARE OF THE PENNIES

And You'll Make Pounds of 'em.

Newbern Journal.

A few weeks since a stranger called at one of the Trenton stores and purchased goods to the amount of \$3.25 and having how much a handsome country-house he entered the store, stepped over to his seemed to think required a return in kind, customer if there was not something that and after he had essayed half-a-dozen in- he had forgotten to purchase and that he direct questions, I came frankly out with, could sell him so cheaply that it would be There's no occasion to beat about the well to purchase a large bill for future use; bush, Mr. Skinner: you wish to know who but the customer informed him that he for the fine house we have been talking of. untied his sack, and, to the astonishment Well, then, I am a money-dealer; I lend of the merchant, he poured out neither gold nor silver, but counted him out just three hundred and twenty-five large old fashioned copper cents, threw his coat over his shoulder, took his purchases and departed.

+++ An Old Town Getting New.

[Wilmington Review.]

Among the many thriving villages along the line of the Wilmington & Weldon "I understand : a bill discounter?" Railroad, the town of Warsaw seems to "Precisely. But come, drink, and pass be rising into prominence quite rapidly. There have been quite a number of build-A gleam that shot out of the man's gray yes strengthened a hope that I had hardings erected there during the past year, y dared entertain, that I was on the eve and there are several others now in course of a great success; but the trout, it was of construction. And there is every reason clear, required to be cautiously played. why it should continue to thrive, as it is Mr. Skinner presently fell into a brown not only in the centre of a rich farming study, which I did not interrupt, content- country, but is in the immediate vicinity ing myself with refilling his glass as fast of the rich phosphate sections of Duplin as he mechanically emptied it. "A bill- county. Added to this is the fact that invalid, "that I will not purchase mere discounter," said he at last, putting down it is from that town that the branch raildred pounds suddenly placed in my hands forbearance to prosecute at the cost of a his pipe, and turning towards me with a road to Clinton will be built, and that,

"That was Captain Bramston's pleas-