

The day is not far distant when the trial cases that consume so much of the time of our Superior Courts, and entail such heavy expense on the counties of the State, will be disposed of in recorders' courts.

St. Paul, Minn., Feb. 1.—For being scared until she turned baldheaded, Tillie Omitsky, a factory girl, was awarded \$2,000 by a jury in the Circuit Court here yesterday.

Tillie was employed, a little more than a year ago, at a machine which elevated paper boxes to the floor above. Her waist caught in the wheels and she was drawn tight against the machine.

Physicians and surgeons testified that fright had so affected her nervous system that her hair fell out.

SOMETHING I BELIEVE.

I believe God made the heaven and the earth, and that he rules his creation. I believe God is everywhere, and that heaven is where God is. Hence, heaven is everywhere, and not, as some would have you believe, only in the blue arch overhanging the earth.

We believe God is goodness personified, and that his mercy is boundless, having more mercy for depraved humanity than the human has for him or herself; else no flesh would ever be saved.

We believe those who are fitted and prepared for heaven would be in heaven even among the damned; and the converse of this would be true. No worse punishment could be visited upon the sinner than forcing him, or her, to pay a visit to heaven and there see the redeemed basking in the sunlight of God's presence and to know they were not fitted to dwell there.

I believe there is a disposition on the part of all to greatly minimize the responsibility they owe to God and their fellows. The sad feature of this is, the churches are following the world in its mad race after the dollar.

I believe it would be profitable for the present day church (I mean its teachers) to read the Book of Hosea, and there learn what became of Ephraim and his followers. And some who use language not understood by the commonality of the church goers might with profit read the 14th chapter of First Corinthians. I believe the present day education is driving people from God.

These are some of the things I believe. At another time I may tell you of something I do not believe. "Little Brown Creek."

The Ansonville Depot Matter.

Before the North Carolina Corporation Commission yesterday Mr. James A. Lockhart, of Wadesboro, filed a petition against the location of a depot by the Winston-Salem Southbound Railway Company outside of the corporate limits of Ansonville, while it owns a depot site in Ansonville, being tendered also another eligible site.

The proposed location it is declared is inaccessible to the people of the town, that it would not be a location to give reasonable and just public service, facilities and convenience to the prospective patrons of the company, that it will cause loss, inconvenience and discomfort to a great majority of the people of Ansonville and the surrounding territory, that when the railroad was acquiring its rights of way through the section it was stated that the depot would be located at a point convenient to the prospective patrons of the company.

The Corporation Commission is petitioned to order the location of the road at a point that will best serve the convenience of the prospective patrons of the town and the people of the section who will use the depot. The matter is to be considered by the Corporation Commission.

LaGriffe pills that pervade the entire system, LaGriffe coughs that rack and strain, are quickly cured by Foley's Honey and Tar. It is mildly laxative, safe and gives results. See Dr. Pharmacy; Parsons Drug Co.

GREAT COTTON PLUNGER.

Interesting Pin Picture of E. G. Scales, The Texas Who Made and Lost \$10,000,000 in Three Months on Cotton.

The plunge of E. G. Scales, the intrepid Southerner, in the recent bull campaign on cotton market, is graphically given in a late issue of The Public Ledger of Philadelphia and is an interesting and thrilling story. It is as follows:

"When James R. Keene threw up his hands, made composition with his creditors, saying, 'I will some day pay my debts in full, and will never again speculate in an agricultural product,' the common report was that he reckoned his losses at between \$6,000,000 and \$7,000,000. So also when young Leiter acknowledged that more wheat grew and was in farmers' bins and the elevators than he with all his father's millions could gain the ownership of, and confessing defeat, turned his back on the wheat pit, his losses were variously estimated, the more conservative judge being that at least \$8,000,000 good money were needed to meet them. The spectacular and comet-like approach of Alfred Sully to the speculative cotton market a few years ago was followed by route and defeat, which cost him perhaps \$9,000,000—it may have been a little more, or a little less.

"There would seem to be, therefore in these figures the hint of some secret and yet fundamental between \$6,000,000 and \$8,000,000 as the amount of money needed to teach a speculator in agricultural products that in the United States he cannot buy a monopoly. Possibly it was some unacknowledged recognition of this law which persuaded James A. Patten to flee from the wheat pits of Chicago to Colorado as soon as he could reckon his gains in the neighborhood of \$6,000,000.

Of course, these figures are in reality no more than symbols of the popular estimate of the gains or losses of the giant speculators in one or another of American crops. For no great speculator ever confesses to the exact or even approximate amount of his losses, and it is almost axiomatic that great winners refrain from reporting the amount of their winnings.

SCALES AND HIS PLUNGE. "And yet there does seem to be a limit fixed by some fundamental law beyond which individual or even pool speculation in agricultural products with intent to create something like a corner cannot go. The successful speculator stops just short of this limit, content to turn what he has bought into cash.

"Very likely the report of making \$10,000,000 or \$15,000,000, has had his violent interdict attack upon those who sell cotton defeated at a loss of \$8,000,000 is explained by this popular estimate that the speculators when a speculator stands to lose some \$6,000,000. No one but Mr. Scales knows whether profits which he reckoned only in his daily figuring, but had not realized in cash, at one time reached as great a sum as \$8,000,000 or \$10,000,000 or not. Yet there must have shivered away paper profits in a few days which, could they have been realized in cash, would have justified naming Mr. Scales among the multi-millionaires as soon as he is possessed of \$10,000,000.

TYPICAL MAN OF SILENCE. "The sudden appearance of this hitherto unknown Louisiana in the report which accompanied him to New York that he had purposed buying cotton until he could market all he bought for 20 cents a pound; something mysterious, or at least quaint and eccentric in his personality, and the fact that he was transported from Louisiana to New York, with almost cyclonic energy, appearing in the cotton exchange, or in its vicinity, firm-footed, the typical man of silence, for he made no boasts or comments, and the individual, almost unapproachable in his manner and led his campaign of advance, instantly fixed attention upon him. He became one of the notorieties, with the possibility that at a future day he might gain that celebrity, in which he imbedded the chance of fame.

"Mr. Patten's appearance in New York earlier in the fall caused excitement, but none of that spectacular effect and illusion of mystery which were characteristic of Mr. Scales' appearance. Mr. Patten was known as one of the few men of recent times, whose judgment was not impaired by success, so that he kept the exact moment when the market would receive the full amount of the millions of bushels of wheat which he had bought, and approximately at the price which his purchases had fixed for it.

"James R. Keene bought a tragic reputation as a most successful bear operator upon the Pacific coast, and intensified the curiosity in his personality by wearing a white crescent that identified him as Commodore Gerry's fur cap established his personality. And then he stood like Horatius at the bridge one entire day in the stock market, staying the mid-summer panic of 1877. Mr. Keene did a venture into speculation along stupendous lines in an agricultural product until he had lived in New York 15 years.

SULLY LIKENED TO SCALES. "Possibly Mr. Sully's guerrilla-like advent into the cotton market a few years ago may be best likened in the suddenness with which his personality and purpose dazzled New York for a time with the recent appearance of Mr. Scales. "These, however, are mere incidental considerations, superficial aspects of some of the individuals and some of their purposes, whose careers they try in recent American attempts practically to corner some one of the greater American agricultural products. Something of much greater importance than the mere monetary consideration of Mr. Scales and the others or any view of the personal eccentricities or peculiarities lies behind these immediate aspects. Mr. Scales in his recent career is one of the inevitable phenomena associated with opportunity to enter a market where prices and to some extent values are fixed by competitive bidding, the commodity being and American agricultural product.

PAPER PROFITS \$10,000,000. "So there began in the fall the movement, call it gambling or speculation, based chiefly upon the opinion of those who were in the speculative syndicate that the normal market and movement of cotton, combined with the small crop would of a year or two except that of the brief Sully campaign. They began to buy, and it may be that the Patten millions in this pool were considerably in excess of the resources of Mr. Scales, but Mr. Scales knew cotton as Mr. Patten knew wheat, and experience and information are often reckoned as good capital as is cash.

"Apparently the overloaded banks of the South, carrying millions of bales for the syndicate, reached their limit of accommodation before the top-notch price of cotton was attained. Apparently 16, or it may be 15 cents a pound, instead of 20 cents represents the normal equilibrium between supply and demand. At one time Mr. Scales was carrying on his speculative work nearly half the entire cotton crop of last year, and considering the enormity of the purchases, the magnitude of the banking accommodation, especially in the South, and the range of prices, the great-est ever known since we began to grow cotton excepting in civil war days, we find good and sufficient evidence to justify the statement that at one time Mr. Scales could have written his profits upon paper at as much as \$10,000,000.

"Now if it be true, as is generally believed to be the case, that while Mr. Scales figures his paper losses at anywhere between \$5,000,000 and \$8,000,000, that is to say, that at this day his cotton at present prices would be marketed at some \$5,000,000 or \$6,000,000 less than would have been the case had he been able to market it at the higher price, nevertheless he can easily reckon a conversion of paper outfits into hard cash of from \$1,500,000 to \$2,000,000, than what good business man is there today in the position that in a speculative boom a great speculator can afford and even must expect to see paper profits wither, and ultimately in cold cash of from \$1,500,000 to \$2,000,000, representing the net profits of six months' speculative activity?"

While it is often impossible to prevent an accident, it is never impossible to be prepared—it is not beyond any one's power to lay out 25 cents in a bottle of Chamberlain's Liniment and you are prepared for sprains, bruises and like injuries. Sold by the Parsons Drug Co.

Report of the Condition of The First National Bank of Wadesboro.

At Wadesboro, in the State of North Carolina, at the close of business Jan. 31, 1910.

Table with 2 columns: Description and Amount. Includes Assets: Loans and Discounts, Overdrafts, U.S. Bonds, etc. Total: \$419,967.19

Table with 2 columns: Description and Amount. Includes Liabilities: Capital stock paid in, Surplus fund, Undivided profits, etc. Total: \$419,967.19

STATE OF NORTH CAROLINA, COUNTY OF ANSON, ss: I, W. L. MARSHALL, Cashier of the above named bank, do solemnly swear that the above statement is true to the best of my knowledge and belief.

W. L. MARSHALL, Cashier. C. M. BURNS, Jr., Notary Public.

REPORT OF THE CONDITION OF THE BANK OF MORVEN

At Morven, in the State of North Carolina, at the close of business Jan. 31st, 1910.

Table with 2 columns: Description and Amount. Includes Resources: Loans and discounts, Overdrafts, U.S. Bonds, etc. Total: \$101,221.82

STATE OF NORTH CAROLINA, ANSON COUNTY, ss: I, M. L. HAM, Cashier of the above named Bank, do solemnly swear that the above statement is true to the best of my knowledge and belief.

M. L. HAM, Cashier. T. V. HARDISON, G. A. MARTIN, TYLER C. COX, Directors.

OLD PAPERS FOR SALE.—We have for sale a large number of old papers which are going very cheaply. Come quick before they are all gone.

Don't Blame Us If You Don't Get In

The Biggest Sale in the history of The Busy Corner closes Saturday night. Thousands have come and thousands have bought and gone away delighted. If you want to get in on this Money Saving proposition, don't delay.

100 Ladies' Wash Coat Suits, New Spring Styles, on sale and going fast at \$1.98, 2.48, 4.98 and 5.48. Sample Shirt Waists, at retail, at wholesale prices.

Below is a "small selection of a large collection" of the many Bargains unloosed at these Big Stores. Get Busy.

Large advertisement for clothing and goods. Includes sections for Men's Fur Hats, Blue Ridge Overalls, Cotton Goods Specials, and Millinery Department. Lists various items and prices.

Big Bargains For the Month of February. The Lilesville Bargain House invites you all to come to the Big Bargain Sale going on now. Special Low Prices on Dry Goods, Notions, Shoes and Hats. We have a lot of specials to offer. We save you money on every purchase, so be sure and come to see us.

STILL SELLING: Air Float Talcum Powders, 5c; 15c Embroidery, 8c; 7 1-2c Embroidery, 4c; Linen Lace, 4c; Val Lace, 1c; Handkerchiefs 1c; Dress Shields, 5c; Pearl Buttons, 1c; Fall in with the crowds and come to headquarters. HENRY LILES.

U. S. Teeter & Co. Have You Paid Your Taxes? If you have not yet attended to this important duty, this is to notify you that you must do so at once.

Coffins and Caskets. When you want a nice Coffin or Casket, at a reasonable price examine the line I carry. I have them from the cheapest to the best.

Lyric Theatre. We are trying our best to give the people a good clean Moving Picture Entertainment. Come out and encourage us. Your patronage will be appreciated.

S. S. Shephard The Undertaker. BOARDERS WANTED.—Can furnish table board, or board and room, for a few boarders. MRS. EMMA RICHARDSON.