

## JOHN HOWARD SHOT IN STOMACH LAST NIGHT BY ONE JAMES STATON

### Wounded Man's Condition Is Now Very Critical

#### Staton Has Left for Parts Unknown. Cause of the Difficulty Has Not Been Ascertained.

There was a shooting affair at the corner of the Greenville Road and Washington street last night between seven and eight o'clock and the result is that John Howard, colored, is now in the Washington Hospital suffering from a wound in his stomach. His condition is said to be precarious.

What caused the difficulty has not been ascertained. After the shooting James Staton, also colored, left for parts unknown, and while every effort has been made by the police to apprehend him up to the hour of going to press his capture had not been reported.

Howard was sitting on a bench in front of the grocery store of Hood Edwards when Staton approached. Howard states that Staton cursed and then pulled his pistol and fired, the ball entering his stomach. After the shooting Staton carried Howard to his home, which is located nearby, and as he was putting the wounded man on the bed remarked "G—d—d—d—you I am almost ready to blow your brains out." With this remark Staton left and has not been seen since. Howard was subsequently carried to the Washington Hospital. His condition is critical.

The shooting caused considerable excitement in that section of the city. Both of the principals are young men and no one seems to know what the difficulty was over. Howard states that he was not aware of any difference between he and Staton.

## MRS. SPARROW ENTERTAINS BOOK CLUB

There was a very full meeting of the Addisco Club Thursday afternoon at Mrs. John Sparrow's. The club was called to order at half-past three by the president, Mrs. B. G. Moss.

Many items, grave and gay and current events were given in response to roll-call. A fine paper on "The Japanese Situation in California," and "Race Problems" were read by Mrs. B. G. Moss. The subject was handled in a masterly manner, and was much enjoyed by the hearers. There should have been another paper on "The Conflict in Europe," by Mrs. Payne, but this was postponed on account of Mrs. Payne's absence.

The secretary, Mrs. J. F. Randolph read to the club a letter from Mrs. Cotton, in regard to the County Federation of Literary Clubs. Committees were appointed to make plans to this end. It was also voted that the club make a small donation to the Belgian fund.

A most delightful salad-course was served, after which the club adjourned to meet again on November 27th, with Mrs. W. B. Morion.

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## Great Show Is Billed For Wed. Nov. 25

One of the greatest successes of the past season, a play which does not depend upon the seriousness of any one theme, with no mention of any great political question, no crooks, and without the inevitable triangle or any of the deeper problems of sex, is "Peg O' My Heart," which will be at the New Theatre on Wednesday, November 25th.

In this comedy, J. Hartley Manners, the author, has written the story of a young girl, the daughter of an aristocratic English mother, and an unsuccessful Irish socialist. Her mother died at her birth, and her father, who, as Peg, says during the action of the piece, "knows more about motherhood than any man in the world," has raised her.

Peg's uncle, who has never forgiven his sister for marrying against his wishes, relents and makes Peg his heiress, allowing an income of one thousand pounds a year to any respectable family who will undertake her education. The Chichesters, who had expected to inherit this fortune, accept the charge, as they are in need of money to keep up appearances. They are a proud, affected, surface living family, and Peg is made very unhappy. They are blind to her goodness of character, and do not give her the affection her nature craves. She strikes up a friendship with an Englishman who, while he is really a nobleman, she knows simply as Jerry.

Peg saves the daughter of the family from the disgrace of an elopement with a married man, and after an outburst in which her Irish temper has full sway she is about to leave their house, when she learns that Sir Cerald, or Jerry, is her legal guardian and anxious to be her husband as well, and so she stays.

Doris Moore has the title role of "Peg" and Frederick Meads, Henry Koen, George Mandelsohn, Raymond Brantley, Kate Jerson, Helen Haskell, George Claire and Kitty O'Connor comprise the cast.

### AT COUNTY HOME.

Rev. R. V. Hope will preach at the County Home tomorrow afternoon at 3 o'clock. All are cordially invited to attend.

## DOING FINE WORK FOR BEAUFORT CO.

The Washington Beaufort Land Company this week have purchased and sold three farms, that of M. H. Cutler, Luther Woolard and Marcellus Waters. They have also purchased the ideas farm of Green Singleton, located about three miles from Washington. This real estate company are hustlers and are doing much for the advancement and development of Beaufort county. Mr. Merriman, the manager of the company, is today showing in his office a sample of Irish potatoes raised on the farm of F. F. Cherry at Aurora, that are beauties.

Four crops will be cultivated this year on this same piece of land. The first crop was that of cabbage which made a yield of 200 crates to the acre; the second was that of early Irish potatoes with a yield of 46 barrels per acre and the third crop was that of late potatoes with a yield of 103 barrels. This same land is now planted with cabbage.

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## MISS RODMAN HOSTESS TO O. HENRY CLUB

The members of the O. Henry Book Club that gathered at the charming old-fashioned home of Miss Lida Rodman on Thursday afternoon were anticipating an interesting meeting, but little dreamed of the delightful surprises, and the many pleasures which their thoughtful, gracious hostess had prepared for them.

There was a good response to the roll call, and the minutes were read and approved.

The afternoon's reading of Shakespeare's play, "As You Like It," was made more interesting and delightful by the paper prepared and read by Mrs. W. A. B. Branch. The subject being, "Rosalind as Compared to Modern Humors." In dealing with the charming Rosalind, Mrs. Branch displayed her keen insight into Shakespeare's work, and made her paper a splendid weave of beautiful and brilliant thoughts.

Owing to her approaching marriage to Mr. George Horace Rowland, Miss Mattie Laughinghouse, who has served faithfully and well as secretary of the club, handed in her resignation. Mrs. Norwood L. Simmons was nominated and unanimously elected to fill her place.

After all business was attended to an invitation was given by Miss Rodman to enter the dining room. There to find a veritable garden of bride's roses and white chrysanthemums. Over the handsome old mahogany table was hung the sweet symbol, the wedding bell. When each guest had found her place-card, and all were seated around the table, to partake of the delicious refreshments, a beautiful memento of good wishes and love was presented to Miss Laughinghouse by Miss Rodman in a few well chosen and graceful words. The silver tray was engraved with the words, "From the O. Henry Book Club," and is to remind Miss Laughinghouse in her new home of her true friends, the entire club.

Mrs. Branch, who acted as toast-mistress, called on Mrs. Walton Carter for a toast to the club. Mrs. Carter's response was filled with her ready wit and eloquence. Her tribute to Miss Rodman as president of the club, and to the great author, O. Henry, was appreciated by all present.

A beautiful toast to the bride-to-be, Miss Laughinghouse, was given by Mrs. Norwood Simmons.

The hostess, Miss Rodman, and the guest of the afternoon, Mrs. Walter Martin, of Asheville, N. C., was gracefully toasted by Mrs. Louis Mann.

Mrs. John Small, in her own charming manner, gave a toast to

### IN THE CITY.

Mr. Robert L. Barr, one of Chocowinity's prosperous farmers, was in the city today on business.

## TAG DAY FOR BENEFIT OF THE LIBRARY

Save your dimes and your dollars. You will need them Saturday, November 21st. The Library needs them, and the young ladies and children will be sure to remind you, when the time comes. One tag is all you will be asked to buy, but be sure to buy one or else stay at home on Saturday, November 21st, for every man, woman and child will be tagged on that day, the "Library Day." Think what the Library means to you, your children, and your brother citizens who have the advantage of good wholesome books. If you are a public-spirited citizen wear a tag.

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## REFORMED BANK ROBBER.



## JOHN F. MCCARTHY AT NEW THEATER NOV. 19

Manager J. L. Capehart, of the Theatre, has surely secured something decidedly novel in a theatrical sense in the booking for an engagement of one night, Thursday, November 19th, of the once notorious bank burglar and postoffice breaker, John F. McCarthy (West Philadelphia Johnny), who, having been pardoned and is now reformed, will be seen at the New Theatre in conjunction with a startling four part photo drama, "Sentenced for Life."

McCarthy, in a lecture entitled "The Wrong Road," describes the pictures as they are unfolded, and tells how he became a bank robber and finally what induced him to

leave the wrong road, and go straight.

Incidentally, it may be mentioned that McCarthy has the backing and the good wishes of some of the men high up in Y. M. C., a circle in New York city, men who are taking a personal interest in the future of a man who, although formerly an "undesirable citizen," is now making good.

According to advance reports the entertainment furnished by Mr. McCarthy instantly appeals to the audience and the reformed bank robber has been given a hearty greeting wherever he has appeared.

He will be the attraction at the New Theatre for one performance, Thursday night, November 19th.

Rev. C. D. Malone left this afternoon for Vanceboro, N. C., where he will fill his regular appointment Sunday morning and evening.

Among the welcome visitors to the city today are Judge J. A. Leigh and Frank Windley, of Belhaven.

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## RUSSIANS HEAD FOR DANZIC AND WONT BE EASILY THROWN BACK

London, Nov. 14.—While the battle in West Flanders continues to hold public attention because of the desperate character of the fighting the numbers of men engaged and the territory at stake, military men now look on East Prussia as the center of gravity of the war.

In the latter field a tremendous battle is developing. The Russians are pushing vigorously a great enveloping movement. They are engaged with the Germans along a wide curve of 160 miles from Staluponen, in the northeast, through Goldap and Kruglanen, which is well within the tangle of lakes, down to Soldau in the southwest.

Military observers say the Germans apparently have checked their retreat in Poland and are counter-acting. They say, however, that the Russians are not to be turned from their plan, which is believed to be an attack on Danzig. They are arguing that the Germans either must allow East Prussia to be overrun a second time or bring up reinforcements, and that they hardly can weaken their army along the Polish frontier, for that would leave Posen and Silesia open to invasion. The allies, naturally, are hoping an effort will be made to relieve East Prussia at a sacrifice to the German armies in Belgium and France.

In any fighting in their own country the Germans will have the advantage over the Russians, as they have a net-work of strategy railways to move their troops quickly and they use more motors than their opponents. Military men are watching operations in this region with deepest interest.

In West Flanders the Germans do not seem to have improved their position to a marked extent. In fact an unofficial report from the north of France last night says they again have lost Dixmude, which they took last Tuesday, that their attempts to break down the British resistance around Ypres have failed and that their attack in the vicinity of La-Basses has met with no greater success.

The German officials report again says the German attacks are progressing and records the capture of prisoners. On the other hand the French officials communication declares all German attacks have been repulsed and that an advance has been made by the allies nearly everywhere.

Vienna admits the Austrians have evacuated Eastern Galicia, but as an offset to this, says the Serbian resistance has been broken and the Austrians have crossed the Danube, driving the Serbians back into their own country.

## CONFERENCE YEAR ENDS ON TOMORROW

Tomorrow closes the conference year of the present pastor, Rev. E. M. Snipes, of the Methodist church, and, too, it closes the term of Rev. J. T. Gibbs, D. D., as presiding elder of the Washington district. Tomorrow morning at 11 o'clock the pastor will fill his regular pulpit and the evening hour 7:30 p. m., Dr. Gibbs will preach.

The pastorate of Mr. Snipes here has been a very successful one and the entire congregation wishes to have him returned by the bishop for another year. Under his ministry the church has grown along all lines. As a preacher and pastor Mr. Snipes stands high in his church and is not only popular with his own communicants, but the entire city as well.

According to the rules of the church Dr. Gibbs will be assigned to another field of labor. Who will succeed him as presiding elder of this district will not be known until the appointments for the coming year are read out at the close of the conference by Bishop Waterhouse.

## GAME WAS CALLED OFF AT NEW BERN

The game of football between the Washington Highs and the New Bern Highs, which was scheduled to be played in New Bern yesterday was not played. The calling of the game was due to the decisions of the referee, the consequence being that the Washington eleven left the field. They returned to their home last night, paying their own expenses. At the time that the game was called neither side had made a touchdown.

## CHAUTAQUA CIRCLE WILL MEET NOV. 16

There will be a meeting of the Chautauqua Circle Monday, November 16th, at 4 p. m., at the Public Library.

The invitation to join is general. We shall be very glad for all who are interested to attend and learn of it, though they do not join. They may later.

We are assured that the course (for a year) is most interesting and instructive, and not too heavy for any one to undertake and enjoy. A part of it is a most excellent weekly magazine.

The value with the membership enrollment is \$10.25, for which you pay \$5.00, with 10c initiation fee. Two living near or three in the house, can purchase the course together, each paying membership and initiation fees. If in the same family, there be two, and one wishes to take no active part, he can be an associate member—no voice in it, but the privilege of attending. He does not pay the fees.

Will every one who wishes to join, either bring or send the money that there may be no further delay in ordering the books.

We hope to have a large attendance. Chautauqua speaks for itself. LENA WINDLEY, Leader

## MOTHER OF MRS. F. E. MAYO DIED FRIDAY

Mr. F. E. Mayo, proprietor of the Coca-Cola Bottling Works, received a telegram yesterday afternoon announcing the death of Mrs. Edward Lewis at her home in the town of Bethel, N. C. The deceased was the mother of Mrs. F. E. Mayo, and a constant member of the M. E. church. She was a woman held in the very highest esteem in her community and her death is generally deplored. Mr. and Mrs. Mayo left this morning for Bethel, N. C., for the purpose of attending the funeral this afternoon which will be conducted by Rev. J. H. Warren, superintendent of the Atlantic and Blue Ridge District of the M. E. church.

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