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# CITIZENS OF ASHEVILLE IN MASS MEETING DECLARE THAT THE PEOPLE SHALL RULE.

## BY OVERWHELMING MAJORITY ADVOCATES OF COMMISSION GOVERNMENT REACH POLLS

Meeting at The Court House Last Night Was Featured by One of The Largest Crowds in The History of Local Public Movements.— Judge Jones Submits His Majority Report.

#### REPORT OF COMMITTEE OF 19 CARRIED WITH CHEERS

Business and Laboring Interests of City Represented in Mass Meeting Which Came to Close Without Unpleasantness.

position.

majority at the mass meeting of Asheville citizens at the court house last night, and it was decided by an overwhelming majority to ask the Buncombe representatives in the legislature to introduce a bill providing for an election to be held in this city to permit the citizens of Ashe-ville to determine whether or not this city shall have this form of gov-

At 7.30 o'clock last night the county court house was well filled; at 7.45 the seats were all taken and at 8 o'clock window sills, radiators and balcony ralls were serving as seats, while standing room was limited. Much "lobbying" was in progress and many groups were congregated discussing the question to be decided. It we hard to tell just how the S. Powell rend the report and respirit of the audience was, and every quested Judge Jones to read the proman in the house seemed to be sav-ing his expression of opinion "for

tes of 100 who had been chosen to it. Differences of opinion were rep-make reports. He called for an electresented but in view of the fact that

DEMENTED ATLANTA MAN

Garnishees His Bank

Accounts

ABOUT COTTON DEAL

of the matter without litigation.

COTTON EXCHANGE HOLIDAY

points in Canada.

Canadlan company.

PLACED IN SANITARIUM

The advocates of the commission tion of a chairman of the mass meet-form of government were in a vast ing, and Mr. Haywood Parker was elected to this position without op-

> Mr. Parker stated that he had been out of the city for a month and that he had formed no opinion as to the merits or demerits of the com-mission form of government, He would endeavor to preside fairly and impartaially and he desired that the meeting should be conducted in a quiet, dignified manner. He was glad to note, he said, that the audience was so large, which meant that the citizens of this city are deeply interested in a subject which means much to every man in the

Proposed Charter Read.

The reading of the majority re posed charter for the commission form of government for this city. Mr. was called to order by Mr. S. G. held in a manner that would reflect tee of 100 who had been chessen.

WESTINGHOUSE COMPANY

DROWNS HIMSELF IN SURF

Fifty Thousand

Dollars

all present have the same end in view-the good of the city-personal ities should be avoided and business attended to.

Judge Jones read charter, this consuming over an hour This was a repetition of the charter read at the meeting of the committee of 100. After fifty minutes of continuous reading, and while reading that part of the charter which contains the details, Dr. H. P. Weaver interrupted the reader, and sug-gested that these matters be skipped. Mr. S. G. Bernard was on his feet in an instant and demanded beatedly that nothing be skipped. "You have no right to shut us off like that." Judge Jones replied with fervor "You shall have it." The charter was read verbatim with the exception of two or three places filled oncerning forms of ballots, etc.

After the reading of the charter

Judge Jones moved that the report be adopted which motion was sec-onded by Capt. J. P. Sawyer. Immediately Mr. Bernard demanded the reading of the minority report, this motion being seconded. Men all over the house rose and attempted to be heard. Chairman Parker rapped for order and after two or three minutes continued rapping he managed to make himself heard. Seeing that place, he pleaded for dignity, decen-cy, and order. "Every man shall have a hearing," he said, "and nov

is no time for a row."

Mr. Kingsland Van Winkle was called for and he read the minority

Mr. Carter's Speech, The two reports having been read the chair called for discussion. looked as if no one cared to discuss matter, and for a while those wishing to hear speeches were dis-

### appointed. Voices from all over the (Continued on page 6) TO PREVENT INSURRECTOS FROM REACHING JUAREZI

Canadian Cotton Company Short in Accounts About Rebel Train Runs Into Mine and Many Are Killed

> JUST ACROSS BORDER WALL STREET DID IT

ATLANTA, Ga., Feb. 2.-Teleamon NEW YORK, Feb. 2 -The body of Smith Cuyler, the Atlanta broker who Edward St John, assistant treasurer led his friends a lively chase turough of the Westinghouse Electric and mountains after he Manufacturing company of New York last Sunday, only to be recaptured Pitisburg and other cities, was found at Toecane, N. C., on the Tennessee in the surf off Coney island today. jumped off a Southern railway train was brought to Atlanta this It was fully dressed and ther is no morning and placed temporarily in theory advanced other than that he Cuyler's dementia is believed by committed suicide by drowning himhis friends to be due to worry over self some time during the last 24 financial matters and this belief was hours because of shortage in his acstrengthened today when it was counts, believed to be due to speculearned that he probably must face an investigation of a recent cotton deal in which the Canadian Cotton pany's funds. The amount is escompany, limited, of Montreal is re- timated to be not greater than \$50,-

ported to have p. d about \$42,000 000, for cotton the real value of which is given at \$10,000. A representais given at \$10,000. A representative of the Canadian company has until after the report of his suicide been in Atlanta seeking adjustment today," said Vice President Charles been in Atlanta seeking adjustment today." A. Terry of the Westinghouse com-

The cotton involved in the allexed pany tonight, ansaction is said to be 600 of "St. John I Bottum, who shipped it to ter half of that time he had been o shipped it to ter half of that time he had been the engineer, suspecting danger. A stenographer assistant treasurer here. He had leaped and was, only slightly hurt. oday said that charge of collections and dishurse. The engine passed over the charge in Cuyler's office today said that charge of collections and disturse-Bottum had been receiving his mail ments, and his misapplication of neat that office but that she did not know him. The sellers did not know is a surprise to all his associates, know him. The sellers did not know is a surprise to an as a most trust- and the insurreros raged for several Cuyler in the transaction and could who regarded him as a most trust- and the insurreros raged for several Cuyler in the transaction and could who regarded him as a most trust- and the insurreros raged for several cuyler in the transaction and could who regarded him as a most trust- and the insurreros raged for several cuyler in the transaction and could who regarded him as a most trust- and the insurreros raged for several cuyler in the transaction and could who regarded him as a most trust- and the insurreros raged for several cuyler in the transaction and could who regarded him as a most trust- and the insurreros raged for several cuyler in the transaction and could who regarded him as a most trustnot say if he was interested. Seven worthy man.
Atlanta bankers have been served have been his have been his only weakness and his believed to have been killed, the es-first fall. We have not determined timate being based upon the number their paying to Cuyler any sums held definitely the extent of his shortage, of riderless horses which strayed into his account, this action being but I do not believe it is over \$50-to Jaurez today. Six insurrectos were taken by W. V. Boyd, agent of the 009 He was bonded to the extent of silled. Many were wounded on both only \$15,009, for the amounts he handied were not generally large."

Mr. Terry said he did not know the NEW YORK, Feb. 2.—The New tion, but believed it must have been York cotton exchange today decided upon a double holiday for Lincoin's first one in Wall street.

upon a double holiday for Linceln's birthday, and the exchange will be closed Saturday, February 11, as well as Monday, February 13, which last is the day fixed by law for observance of the holiday falling this year. The body was removed to his home toutleb. tonight.

EL PASO, Feb. 2 .- Cuidad Juarez across the river from here, is practically depopulated tonight, the residents having fled to this city in fear of an attack from insurrectos which The Mexican post office and two

branch banks in Juarez were closed tonight after all the money and pe-cords had been brought here for

Federal soldiers, acting under orders, took desperate measures today to check the approcah of the insurrectos, who tonight are reported to be within twenty .niles of Jaurez. The forteenth cavairy was sent out to dynamite the tracks of the Mexican loaded with rebels

The train hearing the insurrector ran over a mine of dynamite which exploded, shattering one of the quachtransaction is said to be 600 of "St. John has been in the employ es, but it is not known how many per-"linters" sold for 3 1-2 certis per of the Westinghouse company for sons were killed. The coal passer of pound to a man giving the name of more than ten years and for the latof explosives and was greatly damaged.

A battle between the 14th cavalry

Residents of this city and the few who are left in Jaurez were aroused tonight by a heavy intonation, and immediately the attack on Juarez was proclaimed.

Investigation developed that the Henry Soggerman Powder house, two and a half miles south of Juarez, containing quantities of powder and dy-namite was shot off by Mexican officers to keep the insurrectos from capturing it.

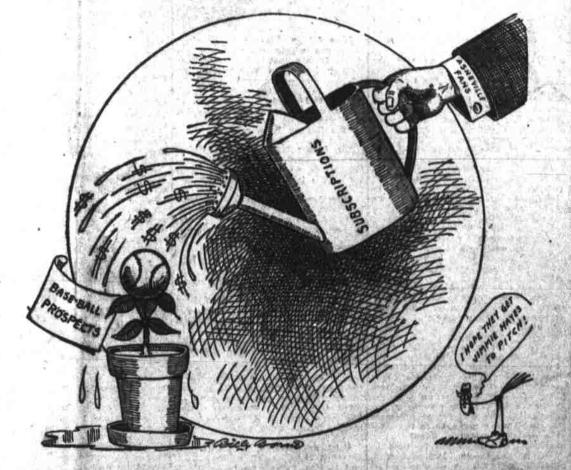
#### was no general appreciation of the of Indiana, Stone of Missouri, New roll call. This vote was cast on an sharp division which afterward devel-

For Discussion of Proposed Reciprocity Canadian Treaty Before House

WASHINGTON, Feb. 2 .- Some of the democratic leaders in the house today expressed themselves in favor of a general caucus of the house Central railway, ever which were democracy to determine the party's trains traveling northward to Juarez attitude on the Canadian reciprocity ever, no definite step in this direc-tion has been taken but fifty signers are all that is necessary to bring called within a few days. Some of the state delegations are divided in their views. Georgia demonstrated instance, tried to get together on the question today, but split, six other state delegations also met in the main favoring reciprocity.



Friday; Saturday fair, moderate va-



It's Beginning to Bloom.

#### WATSON OF WEST VIRGINIA BY HIS ABSENCE LETS SHIP SUBSIDY PASS

For First Time in History of Government Vote in Senate Was Tied and Vice President Cast Deciding Vote-Democrats and Insurgents Combined Against

Ocean Mail Subsidy.

stitutional prerogative of casting a three successive roll calls in the senate. By the first of these he saved appeared and when the next ballot from impending defeat the ocean mail or ship subsidy bill, and by the the third forced an adjournment of the senate on a vote having direct bearing on the resolution looking to the election of senators by direct vote of the proper, stood 39 ayes and 39 noes, and on adournment 37 ayes and 37 noes. On all three occasions the vice president voted in the affirmative.

Watson Was Absent who had taken his sent early in the day as the successor to Senator Elkins. Mr. Watson was in the senate chamber only for a few moments during the session and voted on only one

WASHINGTON, Feb. 2 .- For the Indiana regulating the aggregate exfirst time in the history of the gov-ernment the vice president of the terms of the bill. On this pronited States today exercised his con- vision the new West Virginia senator cast his vote in the affirmative, thus rote to break ties in accordance with indicating his oposition to the measure. After casting this vote he dison Important business.

The result on this roll call was no so close as to render material the The vote of the passage of presence or absence of any senator, the ship subsidy bill, both in commit- and no notice was taken of the fact tee of the whole and in the senate that Mr. Watson was not in atten-Watson's Vote Vital

After the final result became known the opponents of the bill, including the democrats, realized that Another notable occurrence in con- Mr. Watson's absence had prevented was the absence of the new senator only democrat present during any of of West Virginia. Clarence Watson the roll calls whose vote was not cast nection with the vote on the subsidy the defeat of the bill. He was the against the measure.

The final vote on the bill came after three hours of determined conflict Gallinger bill.

unprepared for the tie votes. The 3 senators who voted for the measure vere all republicans. Those voting against the bill were made up of s ombination of insurgent republicans and democrats.

Mr. Gronne, the new senator from North Dakota, although republican voted against the bill on all roll calls. Substitute Offered

When in accordance with the pre-vious agreement the subsidiary bill was laid before the senate at 2 o'clock Senator Gallinger presented a substitute for the entire measure as originally introduced The first bill granted a bounty only to American 75111 built vessels from American ports to the southern half of South America but the substitute extended it to the Philipines, Japan, China and Austral-Senator Simmons was the first speaker to raise his voice in opp tion. He delivered a set speech directed against the subsidies in general and in especial opposition to the Gallinger bill. Amendments were ofover amendments. Apparently there fered to the bill by Senators Shively

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#### HOUSE DEMOCRATS WANT EDITOR OF LIBERATOR IN GENERAL CONFERENCE HELD STATEMENT ATTACKS TRIAL

when the defendant had refused to

offer evidence proving the charges,

Mylius having refused to substantiate that bigamy was practiced, the case

"Myllus refused to proceed be

cause the king refused to testify. If

ended immediately,

dence and liberty."

Asserts that Trial of Mylius Was Illegal and He Won't Apologize

PARIS, Feb. 2 .- Edward H. James, the editor of The Liberator, whose article was the basis of the suit against Edward Mytius, convicted in London yesterday for libelling King George, today issued a statement declaring that the trial of his branca agent was illegal and the proceedings a "whitewashing " The statement "The trial was illegal because Myllus, was not in licted, but was tried under an 'information ex-ofvoting for reciprocity and four field which is used only in charges against. Kentucky and Indiana and of sedition. It was a whitewashing because the crown had no right to call witnesses to disprove charges

#### STRAIGHT LOCAL OPTION **BILL LIKELY FOR ALABAM**

Prohibition Question Reach ing Point Where Settlement is in Sight

MONTGOMERY, Ala., Feb. 2. Aside from consideration of the state banking bill by the house, there was little of general interest done in either branch of the legislature today. This bill came from the state bankers' association and has for its ting on the steps of the country purpose the protection of depositors church at Naked Creek near here to-An amendment seeks to eliminate day, Fitzhugh Comer, a young farm-the provision which does not allow er, shot and killed his betrothed, banks to lend money to its officers Miss Cora Turner, aged 20 years and

The local option atmosphere clearing and it is thought that a tions of another farmer to Miss Turn-simple straightout local option bill er and several times, it is alleged, he will be passed. A caucus of the local threatened to kill the girl if she con-

the king had gone on the stand and sworn that the marriage had not to information reaching this city tooccurred, I would be glad to apoloday, fifteen prisoners were taken from WASHINGTON, Feb. 2.—Forecast the circumstances can only attack or North Carolina: Fair; colder riday; Saturday fair, moderate va
dence and liberty.

Size in The Liberator which under the circumstances can only attack the trial as a violation of almost riday; Saturday fair, moderate va
dence and liberty.

Size in The Liberator which under Saittillo and Monterey last night and was instantaneous. Saittillo and Monterey last night and placed in the prison of the latter city. They are charged with having the shots and ran to the charged with having the sho from Saitillo to Zacatecas.

# **BAILROADS MAYBE**

egislative Committee No Holding Hearing on Mile age Nulsance

**ORANGE COUNTY MAN OBJECTS TO PASHIONS** 

Quickel Bill Relieving Rallroad Employes Passed by **Lower House** 

Testimony was to the form of the Seaboard Air Line, there railway, Atlantic Coast and Norfolk and Western that mileage on trains required mileage on trains required the training ticks more time than taking that with greatly increase that with greatly increased travel recent years this would make the work too heavy to properly look a ter duties in caring for passenge and carrying out train order Amendments for exemption of road less than one hundred miles lot were accepted. The hearing will be concluded tomorrow.

Senator Cotten of Pitt, introducin the senate today a bill prohibiting coupons in cigarette and toba co packages, and Senator Thomas.

of goods manufactured by indep dent concerns, and discourage the use of trust made goods.

Ransom County Proposed,
A bill by Senator Hawkins, of
Warren, would create Ransom county out of Wake, Johnson, Franklin, Nash and Wilson counties.

A bill by McLaughlin, of Cumber-land, would increase the number of regents of Barlum Springs Presbyte-rian orphanage and allow the or-(Continued on Page Three)

JEALOUS OF SWEETHEART YOUNG MAN KILLS GIRL THEN TAKES OWN LIFE

Shoots Girl Through Heart In Lonely Churchyard

DIED IN AGONY

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then committed suicide. will be passed. A caucus of the local option forces in both houses was held tonight to consider the situation and it was the concensus of opinion that neither of the Smith bilis fits the situation or can be enacted into law. The only thing in the way of a local option till is adopting the unit of option. It is thought that the county will be unit finally agreed upon.

PRISONERS PROBABLY SHOT

LAREDO, Tex., Feb. 2.—According to information reaching this city towatched to kill the girl is she continued to write to any one else but timed to write to any one else but the different timed to write to any one else but the timed to write to any one else but the timed to write to any one else but the timed to write to any one else but the timed to write to any one else but the timed to write to any one else but the t watched her and calmly leading gun, turned it against himself. De was instantaneous.