## EDITORIAL BRIEFS

Most politicians advocate good roads, for as a rule they have a hard road to travel.

The Hickory Mercury has come to the conclusion that the South wants protection, party or no party.

have to go home earlier at nights.

goose chase."

issue in 1912?

ocrats \$618,000. It appears that the bin howlin' at a grate rate. job could have been done just as well for less money,

Panama Zanal. They evidently want the matter.

Judging from the way the South is looking with favor on Republiwind up its business.

do not want Mr. Taft to do anything drink licker they would never be anfor the South, for then they would not have any opportunity to abuse him for ignoring them.

The managers of Bryan's campain were the only one's benefited by the recent Democratic campaign, and in elected.

there will be some more Brownsville, more's the pity.-Greensboro Tele-Wasn't that a pity?

recommended that the government rite thar in that State. Hit iz awl institute suit against the editor of gude licker, too; "gude, better, best." the New York World for printing libelows articles in charging that Gov- kin still git hit at the same ole price. ernment officials were improperly in- No, don't worry erbout Mr. Taft. fluenced in the purchase of the Pan- Turn your attention ter savin' some ama Canal.

The Democrats who shed crockodile tears for the colored regiment ter come in from outside points loadthat was discharged by the President for shooting up Brownsville, Texas, will probably have an op- licker. I worry erbout prohibitionof those who prove themselves in- hev ter git hit from outside points. nocent. Will they now hail the opportunity with delight. Or has their love grown cold since the election?

friendly with the South what can our section lose by meeting him half telf-respect.-Wilmington Star.

Yes, and in fact, a few of them might gain some self-respect by fol- march out ter meet him. Ov course ing his place. lowing such a course.

One of the Democratic members of ty is in favor of the Legislature rush- at all times. ing through with the work in a members all go home without staying the minority.

spondent in Washington quoted Gov- krats, an' az our grate an' noble the fickleness of his fiancee, but takes mittee in favor of protection for the ernor Glenn as saying that he would party iz gittin' so weak an' scatterin' the matter philosophically. retire from politics when his present term of office expired. On Saturday the way we dymakrats bev awlways another story was sent out from done when things begin ter look Washington to the effect that the billious; we keep the pen full ov Governor would run for Congress in Repuklikins an' turn out awl the nally assaulted in her own home this shows that the President will not of that district may decide that they the pen. want Morehead to run again, and if they do, it will not be necessary for though they may appreciate his re- ter hitch up. Last year they sold at Albemarle, charged with the consideration ever so much.

LETER FROM BILKINS.

Hog Killing at Bilkinsville-Mr. Taft and Prohibition-Temperance Hard Times. The Standard Oil strange fer the reverse orterbe true. Company and the Politicians at It, Bilkinsville, N. C., Dec. 15, 1908.

Correspondence of the Caucasian-En- pany hez bin makin' so much money. terprise.

A New Jersey town has installed hogs in Bilkinsville lately. Tom feller an' them other milyonaires women police. Their husbands now Johnson killed one that weighed 39 seem ter hev fergot awl erbout hit. pounds. Hit wuz only seven years From the tone ov Mr. Rockefeller on old an' wuz the same breed that the witness stan' I judge that he hez Billy Bryan wuz goin' ter interduce lay erwake at nite fer a long time When the Democrats reorganize, if he had bin eleckted Preserdent. tryin' ter study up some plan ter the Socialist will stand a good chance Bill Moody awlso killed one that wuz keep frum makin' so much money. of capturing them boot and baggage, a corker. Hit weighed 28 pounds But the folks will sit up late an' and wuz but four years old.

days ago for violating the game laws. the White House next March, hez Company, or a branch ov hit, mede He must have been on another "wild stirred up a gude deal of talk by \$55,000,000 in seven years, that iz, banquet in hiz honor at Cincinnati feller sed hit wuz erbout that much, some days ergo. He turned hiz glass or ten times that an' he'd be blest if Since the Democrats have about all down an' wouldn't even let them he could remember which. The declared for a protective tariff, what pour anything in hit. Ov course the Standard Oil Company an' the Tenwill they have for their paramount prohibition brethren, them that don't nessee "night riders" air hard nuts drink an' them that do, fer hit iz no ter crack. sign that a man don't drink when he gits ter howlin' fer prohibition an' The defeat of Bryan cost the Dem- other luxuries. As I sed, they hev

Now, I don't see anything ter git exsited erbout that. They iz plenty ov men who don't drink, gude men, too, an' they iz some gude who kin Some of the Democratic Congress- git on the outside ov a considerable men are kicking up a fuss about the quantity ov rye or corn licker. Some ov the biggest drunkards I ever seed wuz prohibitionists, an' some ov the a free trip to Panama to investigate soberest men I ever seed wuz in favor ov more licker an' better licker. In fact, licker an' religion don't bevery religious people who could, but who would not pass a saloon without can policies the Democratic party wettin' their whistle; on the other might as well apply for a receiver to hand I hev seed plenty ov people who would stop an' take a nip an' go on an' attend ter their own busi-Judging from the way some of the The trouble iz in the man. If hit Democratic editors talk they really wuz only anti-prohibitionists who

world.

But I don't know what Mr. Taft wuz up to. He may hev bin in a pany. condition ov health that he thought licker would not be gude fer him. Perhaps he hed bin takin' a few fact, are the only ones that would mellow ennuil. Possibly he hez from continuing as parties in the gress for the Conservation of Nahave been benefited had Bryan been learned that the world iz full ov liars combination and restrains them from Roosevelt's visit proved a decided Effective January 1st next, new that the explosion was due to a passa report that he wuz drunk at the between them is restored. Now that Congress is in session, first banquet in his honor after hiz eleckshun az Preserdent. Be that az hit may. I'll bet Billy Taft doesn't experience any long drouth if he gram. If we remember correctly, we cares ter irrigate. He iz rite thar had a great deal of Brownsville by in Cincinnati, Ohio, whar they iz a Author Bryan during the campaign. million gallons ov bug juice day an' nite. If he don't like the Ohio brand hit ain't but a mile or so acrost the river ter the Kentucky President Roosevelt says he has side, an' they iz forty million gallons An' when he goes ter Washington an' Carrie Nation Creates Much Disturbgits moved into the White House he ov the more active and noisy prohibitionists rite here in North Carolina. They air in a desperate plight an can't hardly wait fer the jug train ed with licker . I am never oneasy erbout Preserdents an' things like that; they air able ter buy their

many, many cases. By the way. I notis that since Durham went dry; by local election "If Taft as President wants to be first, and by the State law, second they hev sorter got down ter real business in the way ov crime. see that they wuz 212 arrests thar way? Our people can do this with- durin' the month ov November, which out making any compromise of their iz a bad reckord fer a town or that political principles or losing their size an' fer a dry town, too. The prohibitionists in that town must hev got news that the devil hez bin I don't mean that the real temperance people hev turned criminals. But I do mean that the hypocrits air givin' a record-breakin' performthe Legislature from Guilford Coun- ance, just az they do everywhar, an'

They air the fellers who beat their

wives an' fill drunkards' graves in

I notis that the Governor ov North Major Martin, a Republikin who York City, while on his way to see for the other thirty days' pay. This years ergo on the charge ov em- city with a telegram telling him that Guilford member will find when he bezzlin' money from the State. But he had been jilted and that the girl, gets to Raleigh that he is greatly in on the same day the Governor grant- who was Miss Nan Branch, daughter had committed murder wuz dymahe iz lookin' out fer tryin' ter increas the party by hook an' crook. That iz

seat of Iredell, they hev a court upon her by Henry Young, colored, it wants. house whar marriage license air sold aged about twenty-five years, who the Governor to make the sacrifice, ter awl who hev the price an' a desire was late this afternoon landed in jail 355 pairs ov them license durin' the crime.

year, which ended December 1st. This year they sold only 282 pairs, a considerable fallin' off. Who kin explain hit? The old sayin' iz that when times air hard more people git

I see that they air still takin' testermony an' other things ter try ter find out how the Standard Oil Com-Awl the pollytishuns an' the newspapers seem ter know jist how hit We have been killing some big wuz done. But Mr. John D. Rockeburn his lamp oil an' so they keep I see by the papers that Mr. Taft, on pilin' up millions. The court at-Bryan was elected in Texas some the gentleman who will move into torneys claim that the Standard Oil failin' ter drink anything at a big that much clear profit. Mr. Rocke-

> Az ever. ZEKE BILKINS.

TRUST. Nine Companies With Their Subsidiaries Are Named as Constituting an Illegal Combination-Decree of

OFFICIALS AFTER TOBACCO

the Court. New York, Dec. 15 .- Nine companies with their subsidiaries are named as constituting an illegal combination in the final decree filed tolong in the same class. I hev seed day in the United States Circuit Court, putting into effect the judgment recently obtained by the Government in its suit to dissolve the socalled Tobacco Trust. The companies named are:

American Tobacco Company. American Cigar Company. American Stogie Company. Mac Andrews & Forbes Company

other copper licker still made in this P. Lorillard Tobacco Company. R. J. Reynolds Tobacco Company. Blackwell's Durham Tobacco Com-

Conley Foil Company.

Each of the first five of these companies, the Court declares, is in itself

The Government and the defendant companies will at once take appeals good is sure to result from all of from the decree. Such action on the them. companies' part will make effective one highly important clause—that the injunction during the pendency to make recommendations for a gen- with little difficulty. of the appeal.

ALL NATIONS WELCOME BUT CARRIE.

ance in a Scotland Town.

of Dundee, Scotland, are now deco- course, it is also admitted, at the President, there is no constitutional hundred thousand dollars, or so nouncement, two of the public-house from their premises without cere- tion of trusts and monopolies. mony or tenderness. Carrie was not dismayed by this treatment, but made tracks for the next bar. En portunity to vote for reinstatement ists who cut off the supply an' then route she met a clergyman, smoking ed several stories and charges to the of the biggest enterprise of his ada cigarette.

"Take that vile thing from your

walked on. repertoire.

SURPRISE MARRIAGE IN WILSON.

Fiance for Her First Love.

Richmond, Va., Dec. 11.—Engaged went ter the penitentiary several his pretty fiancee, was met in this ed pardon ter two prisoners who had of Alpheus Branch, of Wilson, N. C., committed murder. I don't know, had been married to Fred Carr, pri- letter to The Caucasian of last week I guess rite now that the fellers that vate secretary to Senator Overman.

Mr. Alston is deeply grieved over

Negro in Albemarle Jail Charged

With Heinous Crime.

Denies That Officials Were Improperly Influenced in Panama Canal Deal.

PROTECTION FOR THE SOUTH of the Government.

ington-The Commission Appointthe Conditions of Farm Life Will a Few Days-Speaker Cannon Has Agreed to Tariff Revision.

Washington, D. C., Dec. 15, 1908. It is now about settled that Cannot determined as indicated in a former letter to The Caucasian until the ire of that body. President Taft knew where he was the other reform policies of the administration.

Special to The Caucasian.

Washington Speaker Cannon at once ous terms. called upon him and assured the President on every point. Mr. Taft was not, even satisfied with this, and requested that the Whole Ways and Contemplates a Visit to the Canal Means Committee of the House would eall him and make similar assurances, especially with reference to the tariff. This was done the next day, and after these conferences it was given out that there would be no objection made to Cannon.

and members of Congress. Much

eral uplift of agriculture will also make its report to the President.

this Commission, and also in organ- Taft, four years ago, would, without izing the Congress to consider the doubt, accompany him this time. conservation of natural resources, along with the building of the Pan-London, Dec. 12 .- "All nations are ama Canal, will go down in history careful students of the laws and the welcome here except Carrie," is the as three of the greatest acts of Presi- constitution is that pending the oflegend with which the public houses dent Roosevelt's administration. Of ficial declaration of Mr. Taft as of Representatives, appropriating one rated. By way of enforcing the an- same time, that he will be given the or legal provision for the substitu- much thereof as may be necessary to keepers to-day threw the reformer much needed reform in the regula-

The Panama Canal Charges.

effect that there was graft in the pur- ministration. chase of the Panama Canal. These mouth,' 'she exclaimed, but the of- charges have gone so far as to intilender bestowed a smile on her and mate that some members of the administration were into a deal to have Carrie has been shocked to find the Government to buy the canal tea drinking so common in Scotland, from France, and that they got some where, indeed, an amazing quantity of the money. The President has inof the beverage is consumed at all dignantly denounced these charges, French Government, and that no one time of emergency. connected with the administration Miss Branch Jilted Her New York the interest of the Government, or re- volunteer army which has been dement should have paid any of the piece-meal and hurriedly. to be married to a North Carolina money to any agents or to any Amermonth's time and adjourn and let the Major Martin a Bonublikin who administration and is not a matter force of 2,000,000 men could be of concern.

Protection for the South.

More evidence similar to that quoted and commented upon in the has been given by Southern witnesses before the Ways and Means Comproducts of the South.

Several Congressmen, in commenting upon these facts in connection with President-elect Taft's speech in Salisbury, N. C., Dec. 15.-Crimi- New York, say that this evidence dymakrats az fast a they air need- afternoon at Moss Siding, near Whit- have to convert the South to the of England, and others from Canada the Fifth District in 1910 if the peo- ed; in fack, it iz purty hard ter ney, Stanly County, Mrs. James R. benefit of Republican policies, that ple wanted him to run. The people git one ov our real gude workers in Moss, a highly respected lady of that they are already converted, and that place, is to-night in a precarious con- it is simply now a question of the In the town of Statesville, county dition on account of an attack made South in the future voting for what

> Friction Over Secret Service. Considerable feeling has been aroused in Congress by a paragraph club rates.

in the President's message with reference to the Secret Service.

The last session of Congress cut down the appropriation for the Secret Service, and Inserted a clause Versus Nonsene-Matrimony and married. If that iz true hit iz President Roosevelt Indignantly limiting the use of the appropriation by the Secret Service to the employment by the Treasury Department only. This practically confines the use of the Secret Service to detecting and running down counterfeiters of money. Formerly the Secret Service had been used for detecting fraud in every department

> This Fact Has Been Demonstrated in the West, which has led to the colored soldiers has been "established and it is Now a Question of the conviction of a number of very weal- beyond doubt." thy men who had defrauded the

the Secret Service by the last Con- ed at Fort Brown. gress be removed.

TAFT TO VISIT PANAMA.

Zone Before His Inauguration,

Washington, D. C., Dec. 12.-Wm. H. Taft, president-elect, contemplates a visit to Panama before his inauguration. This visit is approved by President Roosevelt and Secretary Root. While it has not been lous and otherwise misleading majority of the victims are Span-However, there is a pretty fight finally determined upon, Mr. Taft phrases in guarantee labels used by lards. going on in the House to change the announced to-night that it was his manufacturers are barred under a Relief trains were sent to the rules which have given the Speaker inclination to go. Should this be his decision promulgated to-day by the scene of the disaster and one which such arbitrary power, and it now final decision he will leave the port pure food and drug board with the returned here several hours later

The journey, if made, would undoubtedly be on one of the navy's FOR LEVEE ON THE CAPE FEAR. It is generally stated that the ac- best ships, and Mrs. Taft, who made tion of the President in creating the first visit to Panama with Mr. Bill Introduced in Congress for Ap-

The only objection to the expedition, which has been pointed out by credit for starting the great and tion of any one else in the event of ma. This objection is not regarded Bladen County, N. C. as of sufficient weight to detain Mr. Taft from a journey which is regard-Recently there have been publish- ed as essential to the success of one tion of the War Department.

FOR A VOUNTEER ARMY.

President Wants Measure Passed Providing for a Volunteer Army in Time of Emergency.

hours of the day. She classes tea stating that the Government bought initial movement to carry out a rec- there across the country to Black drinking with the morphine habit, the Panama Canal from the French ommendation of the President was River completely flooded French's Wife and Children Mysteriously Disand has added it to her crusade Government for a price recommend- taken to-day when Representative Creek township in Bladen County ed by the board of engineers appoint- Hull, Chairman of the Committee on and Cantuck township in Pender The police have not acted on the ed by the United States Govern- Military Affairs, introduced a bill County. request of the public housekeeper ment; that the Government got what suggested by the President and preturned loose, an' think that they will who wants her prosecuted for invadit wanted at a price considered reapared under the direction of Mr. Taft Receivers for Seaboard Authorize Is sonable, and paid the money to the to provide for a volunteer army in

The bill would revise the present was interested in the deal except in law to provide for the raising of a outside of this, if the French Govern- been placed on the statue books by

It is claimed for the bill that it is raised as well as one of 50,000.

An Unusual Meeting of Quakers at High Point.

High Point, N. C., Dec. 14.-

most unusual meeting of Quakers, known as Wilburites, conservatives, raw materials and manufactured church. In this meeting there was afternoon, while playing with a load-Canada and the United States. With the company was Thomas Pavidson hat and bonnet and prayed and preached during services as the Spirit moved, without formality, attracted no little notice.

Write for rates to agents, also for

EXTRA MESSAGE ON BROWNS-VILLE AFFAIR.

President Says Evidence Shows That Colored Soldiers Shot Up the Town but Favors Allowing Those Who Can Prove Their Innocence to Re-Enlist,

Washington, Dec. 14.-President Roosevelt, in his special message to Congress to-day, accompanying the report of Investigator Herbert J. Brownee into the shooting up of It was the Secret Service men who Brownsville, Tex., reiterated his fordetected the enormous land frauds mer declaration that the shooting by

He again recommends the passage South Voting for What it Wants. Government out of large tracts of of a law by Congress offering the dis-Important Conventions in Wash- land and great deposits of minerals, charged soldiers an opportunity to and, besides, it will be remembered re-enlist in the army if they can that one Senator and one or more clear themselves of responsibility ed by the President to Inquire Into | Congressmen were indicted and con- for the murderous attack to the satisfaction of the Secretary of War. The President referred to this in The investigation will be continued. Make Its Report to the President in his message, and showed the impor- the President says, in order to sepatance of continuing similar investi- rate the "less guilty from those gations, and asked that the appro- whose guilt was helnous," for he bepriation be increased and that the lieves there were hardly any innolimitation placed upon the use of cent among the colored men station- about thirty miles from Colon, and

Among the documents accompany-The President also cited some of ing Mr. Browne's report are the connon wil be Speaker, but this was the arguments used by members of fession of Boyd Convers, a private that in the blast, twenty-two tons of Congress last session for their ac- in Company B. 25th Infantry, who dynamite was exploded. tion, and this is what has aroused claimed to be a leader in the affair. the affidavit of William Lawson, a to the cause of the accident, but the Committees have been appointed in detective, to whom Conyers made his official version from Culebra, which standing on the tariff revision and both Houses to draw a protest or re- first confession; a summary of the gives an estimate of ten killed and buke to the President for the lan- testimony involving Convers, Private fifty wounded, states that during guage used. It is reported that if Carolina De Saussure, Sergeant J. R. the loading of the last hole of the such action is taken by Congress, Reid and others, and the opinions of blast the dynamite in this cut-When President Taft reached that the President will reply in vigor- experts as to the identity of the am- ting was discharged, and the remainmunition used in the raid.

> MUST CHANGE WORDING ON LABELS.

Manufacturers Ordered to Furnish That of the Government on Their the employ of the commission. Product.

Washington, Dec. 12.-Unscrupulooks as if some modification would of Charleston, S. C., probably the approval of Secretaries Cortelyou, brought back the report that 45 of last week in January for a trip Wilson and Straus. The decision the injured had been sent to Ancon Important Conventions in Washing- which will occupy approximately conforms to the recent refusal of Hospital. twenty days. There are many rea- Commissioner of Patents Moore to sons, in Mr. Taft's view, why his trip register trade-mark which include During the last week the Deep to the Isthmus would be of decided the phrase "Guaranteed under the quiet nips before he went into the a combination in violation of the law. Waterways Congress, the Rivers advantage to the advancement of food and drugs act, June 30, 1906," banquet hall an' thought he wuz The order enjoins these companies and Harbors Congress, and the Con-

an' thought that if he took anything engaging in interstate or foreign session in Washington. The meet- stimulus to the work; the three vis- guarantee labels must be changed so ing steamshovel, which hooked the at all that they would soon hev out trade until "reasonable competition" ings were well attended and great its which Mr. Taft has made as Sec- as to show plainly that the guaran- wire leading to the immense charge interest was shown by the delegates retary of War all were of advantage; tee is that of the manufacturer and of dynamite. Whether or not this there are constantly arising and ac- not of the government, but because was the cause of the accident, a cumulating many minor tangles of of the large sums of money invested steam shovel and crew, which hapadministration and conflict of au- in good faith in labels and plates, pened to be on the scene were prac-In a few weeks the Commission ap- thority which the presence of the the old forms of labels now in use tically buried under the mass of pointed by the President to inquire President or the President-elect representing guarantees already filed rocks and earth thrown up. which provides for a suspension of into the conditions of farm life and might make possible of eliminating with the department will be recognized for a term of two years.

propriation for Construction at Kelly's Cove.

Washington, D. C., Dec. 14 .- Representatives Godwin and Thomas have introduced a bill in the House construct a levee or levees at Kelly's anything happening to him in Pana- Cove on the Cape Fear River, in Revenue Agent's Office at Greensboro

The bill provides for the levees to be constructed under the direc-

It will be remembered that during the floods of August and September, 1908, the water in the Cape Fear River rose to the highest point lina and Virginia will be divided into known and a considerable portion of two divisions with a portion of each the country lying between the Cape Fear and the Black River flooded by an escape of water from the Cape Fear River at a low point near Kel-Washington, D. C., Dec. 12.-The ly's Cove. The water passing from

sue of \$4,250,000 in Bonds.

Richmond, Vr., Dec. 14.-On moceived a cent of the money, and that scribed by the President as having can, receivers for the Seaboard Air who has been loafing here for several the United States Circuit Court to- shocked. day authorized an issue of \$4,250,-000 in receivers' certificates, payable semi-annually at 5 per cent. The certificates are issued to pay the debts of the corporation under the revivership and to make improveents in its facilities.

Grandson of Judge Connor Accidentally Shoots Himself.

Wilson, N. C., Dec. 14. Yesterday an illustration of the custom of wor- ed pistol, Henry Groves Connor, the ship among the Quakers fifty years twelve-year-old son of Representa- morning at 3 o'clock the cotton-gin ago. The visiting members brought e-elect George W. Connor, and a of Mr. E. F. Phillips, at Lucama, interesting messages from England, and-son of Associate Justice H. G. was discovered to be on fire. The innor, accidentally shot himself in building was soon reduced to ashes. ie abdomen with fatal results.

Suicide.

Burlington, N. C., Dec. 14 .- Dr. Edgar Thompson, in an effort to kill ternoon by coming in contact with himself drank a two-ounce bottle of an electric light wire of 2,300 volts. laudanum and as a result he died about six hours later, Friday after-

## **ELEVEN ARE KILLED**

Premature Explosion of Dynamite on Panama Canal.

OVER 50 PERSONS WOUNDED

Twenty-Two Tons of Dynamite Nearby is Also Set Off and the Workmen Are Almost Blown to Atoms -- Relief Trains Are Hurried to the Scene and the Dead and Injured Are Carried to Hospitals,

Colon, Dec. 12 .- A giant blast of dynamite, already prepared for firing, was prematurely exploded in the workings at Bas Obispo to-day. Ten men were killed and fifty injured. It may be that others have been killed, for debris is piling up in all directions. Bas Obispo cut is the shock of the explosion was distinctly felt here, as in addition to

Numerous reports are current as ing twenty-two tons were exploded by concussion.

The holes had not been connected electrically as the discharge of the blast was set for 5 o'clock in the afternoon. The last hole was being loaded under the supervision of one Their Own Guarantee Instead of of the most efficient powder men in

A passenger train had just passed when the explosion occurred, but it

The officials on the train stated that eleven dead had been found while many others in the gang of 120 who were employed in the cut were missing.

Gangs were soon searching for the dead and assisting the wounded. Electric lights were set up and tonight steam shovels were at work removing the tons upon tons of debris. Many of the men have been seriously injured, some of them probably

fatally. There have been a number of accidents in the last two years, chief among which was the premature explosion of dynamite at Pedro Miguel in June, 1907, which resulted in the death of seven men and the injury of a number of others.

Will Be Discontinued ... Greensboro, N. C., Dec. 14 .- January 1st, the day that State prohibition goes into effect, the office of the United States revenue agent here will be discontinued. North Caro-State in each division with headquarters in Richmond under Revenue Agent W. H. Chapman, and at Asheville under Revenue Agent R. B.

appear.

Sams.

Mayesville, N. C., Dec. 14 .- Mrs. H. A. Cox and three children disappeared very mysteriously this afternoon. Late advices from Mr. Cox says he knows nothing as to their whereabouts and is unable to define tion of S. Davies Warfield, R. Lan- the cause for their disappearance, caster Williams and Edward C. Dun- unless brought about by her brother, Line Railway, Judge Pritchard of days. The whole community seems

Bonaparte to Retire in March.

Baltimore, December 12 .- Attorney General Charles J. Bonaparte to-day indicated that he would not be a member of President Taft's cabinet, when he waid that after March 4th next, he positively would retire from public life.

Cotton Gin Burned at Lucama.

Wilson, N. C., Dec. 12.-This

Negro Boy Electrocuted.

Asheville, N. C., Dec. 14.-Jesse Johnson, a negro boy, was electrocuted on the Biltmore estate this af-

Write for rates to agents, also for club rates.