EDITORIAL BRIEFS

All the office-seekers will naturally advocate good roads.

Wonder what will be the fashionable disease during 1912?

The State's trust-busters seem to keep busy performing other duties.

Governor Kitchin's enemies in his party are still after him as though they are being paid for their work.

ning Bryan next time is the fact that with and run by Federal office-holdhe has become accustomed to defeat. ers. We all know that this has hurt

elected to office they seem to forget their platform as well as the dear holders to the conventions as delepeople.

to know what will cotton do. From the present outlook cotton will do as it-pleases.

It seems that Senator Simmons didn't get a new idea while abroad ploded it yet.

from South America with a new issue for the next campaign-but with the then the knifing of the ticket by the same candidate.

Democratic party need. Judging from more new recruits would be gained State control of corporations is the result of the last election, i needs more voters.

Mr. Hearst has selected a man ing by the patronage machine. named Hamm as editor of his big

If the next legislature would pass some laws that could not be so easily evaded there would not be so much

of the Supreme Court, give promises of a very warm spring and summer.

The Charleston News and Courier caused by going up Sait River so of. til his death; but if he were living

The professional politician is an adept in making the people believe

know who discovered the hookworm. Can't say, but we know a lot of them who are trying to discover Mr. Rockefeller's millions.

froze up the gas supply in Greens-And that is probably why we have heard nothing about moving the State Capitol recently.

If you love your neighbor as you the proposition, intended or not? do yourself, tell him about The Caucasian and ask him to subscribe in order that he may, too, enjoy the good things in this life.

An enchange says there is money in raising mules. The Democratic thereof with the understanding that party has not made anything out of his official action is to be influenced the venture, but it may be that they thereby, shall be guilty of felony. have been experimenting with an inferior breed.

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carried such a thing in stock, for they sold out in this State several

heard of for twenty years, an Indiana she would have liked to have stayed man returned to his parents on Christmas day and presented them with \$5,0000. This is an entirely new record for the "prodigal son."

The pure food fellows got after the ice-cream makers after the season was over. Now will the State authorities get after the ice trust even if the season is over? Remember that it is better late than never.

The pastor of a Baptist church in New York has issued an order that only silver, or better, would be acceptable in the contribution box. This order will doubtless cause a demand in New York for silver half issue that has now been raised, and,

Mr. Rudolph Duffy has announced himself a candidate for the Democratic nomination for Congress in the vindicate him and the party and con- ernment. Third district. But if Congressman Thomas sent out his quota of government seed last fall it may be hard to wring the nomination from him.

SHOULD PLACE PRINCIPLE BE-FORE PATRONAGE.

The Position of The Caucasian is Endorse-Must Not Allow the Patto Ruin-How to Build Up a Strong and Aggressive Republican Party-Why the Machine Fights Grant and Morehead-The Biltmore Post-office.

Editor of The Caucasian: -- I concur with the views expressed in The Caucasian that Federal office-holders should not go as delegates to conventions, for since my first recollection the Democratic cry has been that the One argument in favor of run- Republican conventions are packed the party, and I hope that the Re-When some of the politicians get buplicans of North Carolina will cut out this part of the Democratic press song, by sending other than office-

We must break the everlasting The Greensboro Telegram wants hold of the patronage machine which runs and ruins the party for their own selfish purposes. We can never build up the Republican party and achieve success unless that is done. Nobody wants to join a patronage machine except office-seekers.

The fear expressed that if this elethis summer. If so, he hasn't ex- ment were unhorsed it would knife the ticket, may be well founded; but its importance is over-estimated. Let Mr. Bryan will probably return us begin to look forward immediately for the purpose of organizing the party along progressive lines, and deposed machine would be reduced to a very few disgruntled individuals. An exchange asks what does the and at the same time a hundred or features of the liability law. for every kicking, knifing, sulking vigorously attacked; the President deposed member of the machine.

The election of Grant and More-New York paper. If he doesn't make head was in no wise expected by this element, or doubtless, they would and would give the interstate comhave met the same fate, or at least I know that to be the case as to Mr. Grant; and after being thus surprised, they went to work and tried

to embarrass the two Congressmen. more post-office through the machine law, new legislation, creasing na-The race between Judge Allen and organ is for the purpose of embar- tional corporations under charter, is Judge Manning for Associate Justice rassing Mr. Grant and to try to bluff urgently needed. him out of making other recommendations for removals, right here in Buncombe. That is all there is in it. Dr. Geo. W. Reed, whose wife other terms of the message. succeeded as postmaster, was my thinks the Democratic party is sea- cousin; we were schoolmates, officesick. This condition is probably mates, and the closest of friends unwould not favor his re-appointment The voters of this District will not tolerate third or fourth term appointments, and had Mr. Grant begun by recommending them they are getting what they want and would have been committing politiat the same time handing them a cal suicide, and it was in keeping with this understanding that Mr. Grant declined to recommend Mrs. The Charlotte Observer wants to Reed as her successor from the

Bribery.

Now, then, a word as to that. do not think Mrs. Reed intended or expected her proposition to Congressman Grant or State Chairman Adams The cold spell Christmas week to be construed as bribery or as in the nature of offering a bribe, to be retained in the office; but taking what Mrs. Reed and Mr. Moore says she did and said in the way of an offer, has not Congressman Grant placed the proper construction upon

What is bribery? The act or practice of giving or taking reward for the performance of that which is known to be illegal.

The law says that any person holding office who shall receive anything whatsoever of value, or the promise That any person offering a bribe,

whether it be accepted or not, is guilty of felony.

Now, was not the offer made to The Democrats in Richmond, Va., Chairman Adams, that if Mrs. Reed are asking their party for local self would be retained in office she would government. Didn't know the party contribute, and was not that offer made to Mr. Grant, an offer to contribute more than the other applicant if she was retained?

Now, who is responsible for this

whole wrangle? It is not Mrs. Reed. After having been absent and un- and it is not her friends. Of course in the office, and many of her personal friends would have liked to have seen her keep it; but many of her personal friends have changed their positon, and now are in favor of quiring capital stock or purchasing upholding Mr. Grant's hands. This or leasing any railroad or any other is because they have seen that certain machine Republicans who care nothing for Mrs. Reed have gotten behind her back and are using the Democratic Senators and the Democratic press to make an attack on Congressman Grant. And why? Because they do not want any independent Republican Congressmen. They want to handle the patronage

of his district and every other district in the State, and the fewer Republican Congressmen there are the

jority than before. C. L. JENKINS. Biltmore, N. C.

TAFT'S MESSAGE forcement, instead of home of the defendant.

ronage Machine to Lead the Party The President's Message Re- fers to "contain notorious trusts," commends Several Changes In the Laws.

INTERSTATE COMMERCE COURT

Other Than Collection of Moneying an Interstate and Foreign Buster-Would Also Prevent Corporations From Acquiring or Holding Anti-Trust Law.

Washington, D. C., Jan. 7 .-- Presdent Taft today sent to Congress his much discussed message on interstate commerce and anti-trust legislation. In it he strikes at the existence of holding corporations, by which major trusts control their subsidiaries and at the watering of corporation stock. To insure the more complete control of railroads by the government, he demands the formation of a court of demned by the statute for the purcommerce, to comprise five judges, having power to act as a court of appeals from the rulings of the interstate commerce commission.

The President dips into railroad employes' safety, also, urging new

charges it with the responsibility for The defeat of Spencer Blackburn many corporation abuses and he in the Eighth District was the knif- takes a firm stand for centralized

He demands that railroads be forbidden to control their competitors merce commission sweeping increases

Declaring distinction getween good and bad trusts to be impossible, the President says emphatically that if The wrangle kept up over the Bilt- the trusts are to be kept within the This, the main provision of the

> some time ago, as was many of the at his home near Merry Oaks. Such a move, the President points

fuge, as the Sherman law's repeal is that town. It will be an independent

The proposed statute, according to the message, "is not to be framed so as to permit the doing of the that (the Sherman) law to prevent, but only to foster a continuance and der suspicion. advance of the highest industrial efficiency without permitting indusrial abuses."

Here are the steps he recommends: In anti-trust legislation:

Grant Federal charter to combinations manufactured and selling in nterstate and foreign commerce. Protect corporations from State in-

Federal government. Compel complete reports of nation-

al corporations to the department of Commerce and Labor at regular in-

Prevent national corporations from acquiring or holding stock in others, except with Federal approval; this would do away with holding com-

Interstate commerce legislation: Establish a court of five judges to be known as the United States Court of Commerce, with power to enforce all orders of the interstate commerce commission other than for the payment of money; to review appeals from the commission's rulings; to

go to the circuit court. simultaneous payment of the issuing 15th. company of not less than their par value, or, if the issue is at less than par, of a reasonable market value.

Prohibit interstate roads from accorporation, which competes with it. the act is passed, at least half the the rest of it.

Give the shipper the right to select through route. Empower the commerce commission to investigate new rates on their

announcement, instead of after they go into effect. Empower the commission to investigate on its own initiative any classification of commodities for fix-

ployers' liability act open to easy en- with Hayne Monday morning.

forcement, instead of only at the

In leading up to his recommendation for a federal corporation charter, the President, who elsewhere re-

"It is the duty and the purpose of the executive to direct an investigation by the department of justice, through the grand jury or otherwise, into the history, organization and HOW purpose of all industrial companies with respect to which there is any With Power to Enforce All Orders reasonable ground for suspicion that they have been organized for a purpose and are conducting business on Would Compel Corporations Hav- a lan which is in violation of the

anti-trust law. The question which I wish in this iness to Take Out a Federal Char- message to bring clearly to the consideration and discussion of Congress is whether in order to avoid such a possible business danger something Stock in Other Corporations-The cannot be done by which these business combinations may be offered a means, without great financial disturbance, of changing the character, organization and extent of their business into one within the lines of the law under federal control and supervision, securing compliance with the anti-trust statute."

After outlining the proposed legislation, he continues:

"In dealing with many of the men who have used the methods conpose of maintaining a profitable business, we may well facilitate a change by them in the method of doing business and enable them to bring back into the zone of lawfulness without losing to the country economy of management by which in our domestic trade the cost of production has prominent themes of the speaker. been materially lessened and in com- "The total area of the State," he petition with foreign manufacturers said, "was 31,193,000 acres, while our foreign trade has been greatly the cultivated area was only 5,769,-

license instead of optional charter, nearly one-half of the total area culwhich has been urged, the message tivated at the present time. declared unnecessary.

BRIEF NEWS ITEMS.

Mr. J. W. Utley, a prominent citanti-trust section, was announced izen of Chatham County died Monday

Business men of Wilson are preout, is not to afford the trusts a re- paring to erect a cigarette factory in

The head of a new-born negro infant was found in the woods near wrongs which it is the purpose of Wadesboro Saturday afternoon. A negro girl only 16 years of age is un-

> and cottages and 340 acres of land worth from \$30 to \$100 per acre. by trustees for \$5,479. It was bid for truck farming purposes. off by W. R. Reid.

daughter of John McDonald, of Fay- mountains, the willowing of the Prevent stock issues in excess of etteville, was horribly burned Mon- small streams to prevent silt and the property values as ascertained by the day by lifting a lid from a stove. damming of the rivers where neces-She is not expected to live.

> Burglars entered the ticket office of the Norfolk & Southern, also the stores of L. P. Mewborn and Frank Howard, at La Grange, Saturday night, but they failed to secure any

State Convention of the Laymen's Missionary Movement is in session in Greensboro this week. Prominent churchmen from all over the South have been invited to address the con-

Major J. C. Hemphill, for twenty handle the cases provided for in the years editor of the Charleston (S. C.) Elkins act, and other cases that now News and Courier, has resigned the editorship of that paper, and will Prohibit the issuance of capital become editor of the Times-Dispatch stock or bonds without previous or of Richmond, Va., after February

A mortgage of \$200,000,000 given by the Atlantic Coast Line Railroad Empower the interstate commerce to a Northern trust company, was commission to approve the amount of recorded in the register of deeds ofstock and bond issues on re-organi- fice at Fayetteville Saturday. This zation, to prevent the issue from be- enormous sum will be used in retir- SECTARY BALLINGER SUSPENDS ing in excess of the fair value of the ing the old bonds, in double tracking and in other improvements.

A passenger train on the Seaboard crashed into a freight at Weldon Monday afternoon. No one was in-Corporations may, if they own, when jured but the fireman, who received a slight bruise; a box car loaded with capital stock of a competitor, acquire cotton was wrecked and set on fire, and three freight cars were burned before the fire could be extinguished. The wreck was caused by an open

Brown Predicts 20 Cent Cotton.

New Orleans, La., Jan. 8 .- Frank B. Hayne, for more than a decade better they like it. This is the square rate or condition and to pass on one of the biggest factors in the cotton future market, left for New York with W. P. Brown, the bull leaders. wants to see his party succeed should writing to shippers on request, with for twenty-cent cotton will be waged suffer a like fate to that of Superin- 1st, as against 647,505 ginned in may never come from this quarter, get behind Congressman Grant and \$25 fine as penalty for damage to the not only in New Orleans and New uphold his hands and go to work to shipper, the fine to go to the gov- York, but also in Liverpool. Mr. Brown upon his return to New Orand re-electing him by a bigger macompel uniform construction of car he was confident that cotton would at McAlester; Frederick Humboltz of where than they are in North Carosteps be taken to annex the Hawait-

North Carolina Has Great Opportunities in Agriculture & Manufacturing.

CAN PROGRESS

Dr. Knapp Says North Carolina Can ducing and Greatest Manufactur-We Are Using One-Sixth of Our State and Are Getting About One-Third What We Should Out of Amount Cultivated.

Charlotte, N. C., Jan. 11 .- "Men of North Carolina, do you realize what a wonderful State you have?" of executive orders be overlooked exclaimed Dr. Seaman A. Knapp in addressing a gathering of farmers here to-day. This address was in connection with his lecture tour through the Southeastern States, which he is conducting in conjunction with the efforts made by the Southern Railroad to attract settlers along its lines. Dr. Knapp, whose work in the Department of Agriculture has attracted wide attention, then unfolded a plan for the development of agriculture in North Carolina that seemed almost like a story from the Arabian Nights.

Both drainage and irrigation were 954 acres. The number of acres re-The plan of a Federal compulsory quiring drainage was 2,748,160, or

"Let us take a little inventory of Reviewing the history of the Sher- our estate," suggested the scientist man act, the message says that it "Over one-half is timber, but mostly applies "to many combinations in poor timber. A great deal of the actual operation, rendering them un- best timber has been selected and lawful and subject to indictment and sold for a trifling amount. Onefourth of the land is improved. Onesixth is cultivated. That is, onesixth of the entire area must pay the taxes on the five-sixths and support your entire population."

Although North Carolina has an unusually good rainfall and mainly evenly distributed, at the same time there are seasons of the year, he said, when certain crops would do a great deal better if there was a little more rain. For that reason, irrigtion would be extremely valuable in the Old North State. He advised following the plan adopted by some of the Western States by which the main cost of drainage works would be assessed to the adjacent lands, because such lands would reap the immediate benefit. Those lands, he said. The Vade Mecum Springs hotel once properly drained, would be in Stokes County were sold Monday They would be excellent for rice and

"I apprehend, also," added the doctor, "that in North Carolina the Nora McDonald, the 3-year-old making of the reservoirs in the sary to secure waterfall, would create sufficient power for all the purposes of the State, heating, lighting, transportation and manufactures. That is a strong statement, but I think it is correct."

only one-eighteenth of the crop you get rich by using one-eighteenth of ing material. your resources.'

State, Dr. Knapp continued:

"Thus equipped North Carolina population of 10,000,000 of people." process.

FOUR.

the Five Civilized Tribes of Oklahoma Dropped for "Disgraceful Conduct."

Washington, D. C., Jan. 9.-Secretary Ballinger of the Interior Department to-day suspended from office Superintendent John D. Benedict of the Five Civilized Tribes of Oklahoma and three supervisors as the refare of the schools.

and which will be continued, other The report shows 606,196 bales portant that our government be on officials of the Indian service may ginned in North Carolina to January the lookout fer the future. Trouble tendent Benedict and the three su- 1908. pervisors suspended to-day.

The suspended supervisors are Calat Muskogee.

CHIEF FORESTER PINCHOT DIS-BILKINS IN HAWAII

President Taft Ordered His Removal Following the Reading of Mr. Pinchot's Letter in the Senate-Mr. A. C. Shaw of Rockingham, N. C., Also Dismissed-The Ballinger-Pinchot Controversy-Insurgents Win First Victory.

Washington, Jan. 7 .- Gifford Pinchot, chief forester and intimate friend of Theodore Roosevelt, tonight was dismissed from the service of the United States by President Become One of the Greatest Pro- Taft for insubordination. Associate Forester Overton W. Price and Assistant Law Officer Alexander C ing States in the Union-He Says Shaw, Pinchots immediate associates in the forestry bureau, followed their chief out of the government employ.

Thoroughly indignant over the ac-

tion of Mr. Pinchot in inducing Senator Dolliver to read a letter from him in the Senate yesterday, President Taft today would listen to no advice that the forester's violation pending the inquiry soon to be undertaken by Congress. He declared the dignity of the office he had been chosen by the people to fill was being attacked and he would be unfaithful to his trust if he submitted longer. Mr. Taft undoubtedly realizes fully what the dismissal of Forester Pinchot means in a political way. He has been convinced for some time that the so-called "insurgents" and other critics of his administration had enlisted the services of Mr. Pinchot and practically were defying him to separate Pinchot from his office. The latter's letter of yesterday, few here doubt, was written with the direct purpose of "putting it squarely

up to the President." Political observers in Washington declare that the situation created by today's developments is the most tense of many years. What the outcome will be no one is willing to

Insurgents Win First Fight.

In the House of Representatives tains upon them, one being 14,000 oday Speaker Cannon lost his first feet high. Most ov these mountains fight to the "insurgents" who, com- are, or hev bin volcanos. A mounbining with the Democrats, caused to tain called the "Punch Lywl," and be adopted an amendment to the located in the suburbs or Honolula, Ballinger-Pinchot inquiry resolution wuz once an active volcano, but hit so as to take from the Speaker the iz not active now. Worse still, a power to appoint the House mem- leper colony iz located on one ov the bers of the joint special committee islands an' awl persons who become of investigation. The margin of vicory was a narrow one of three votes, but the insurgents and Democrats alike are jubilant tonight. The dismissal of Pinchot has lent fuel to the flame of their celebration and they are venturing all manner of predic-

Three Republicans, not classed as insurgents, but who profess their friendship for Pinchot, voted with the insurgents and Democrats for the

amendment which calls for the selection of the House investigators by election from the floor. These two incidents, at Capitol and

political ferment all day. AGAINST BLEACHED FLOUR.

Dr. Wiley Says Bread Should Be Amber Color, Not White.

Washington, Jan. 9 .- "It is just to please the eye. No good can come from making flour white," declares gressman, such az North Carolina an Chemist Wiley, of the Department of other States send there, or at any Agriculture. "You cannot find any rate, she thinks they air that sort. great amount of bleached flour going into interstate commerce now. I can important product ov the islands. tell the change by the bread. Every But rice iz raised, awlso coffee, ba-"Practically," he said, "you are time I cut a loaf of bread I rejoice, nanas, pineapples and cocoanuts. The using about one-sixth of your State because instead of having the white- landowners on the islands do not and you are getting about one-third ness of a corpse it has the beautiful work much. The heavy work is done of the crop out of the onesixth, or delicate amber tint that all bread by Japanese, Chinese and Koreans. ought to have. The electricity was In late years a large number ov Porought to get, and you are trying to the agent which produced the bleach- tuguese people hev located on the

"Several cases are pending against Summing up the character of work millers now, and I do not betray any to be done for the development of the confidence of the millers when I say that the fight on this case is made chiefly by the men who are selling would become one of the greatest the machinery. The millers themproducing States and one of the selves would not fight it for a mogreatest manufacturing States of the ment, if it were left to them; but the Union. It would be possible under men who are making this bleaching such conditions to produce a billion machinery have been hurt. The dollars worth of products upon the bakers of the United States were alfarms and a billion dollars from fac- ways opposed to bleached flour. They tories in a single year and support a knew the flour was injured by the

This wheat flour case will be fought by the best talent in this But the natives hev a language. country, and the most celebrated learned the meanin ov one word, lawyers. A fund of \$100,000, I understand, has been raised to defeat the Government's contentions. We Official Heads of Superintendent of would not be surprised if that trial would cost us \$5,000 or \$10,000."

REPORT OF COTTON GINNED.

Crop May Be Even Shorter Than Predicted-606,196 Bales Ginned in North Carolina to January 1st.

The report of the Census Bureau at Washington, issued Monday, shows ands. Hit iz seventy miles in length. sult of an investigation which has that 9,646,285 bales of cotton, count- Hit passes near Pearl Harbor, which disclosed "a disgraceful condition" ing round bales as half bales, were iz the place the United States Govaffecting the material and moral wel- ginned from the growth of 1909, to ernment iz preparin' fer a great nav-January 1, 1910, as compared with al an' commercial base. The islands As a result of the investigation 12,465,298 bales for the crop of air on a direct line between the Isthwhich the Interior Department has 1908; 9,951,505 for the crop of 1907, mus of Panama and the Oriental been carrying on for some time past and 11,741,039 for the crop of 1906. countries and that makes hit im-

The Divorce Evil.

appliances, to safeguard employes. go to 20 cents a pound. He expects Chickasaw schools, Ardmore, and lina all they must have to do is to Make the interstate commerce emto be on the New York Exchange Walter Falwell of the Creek schools walk up and ask for them.—Durham to that effect, but falled to pass from

The Major Says the Islands Are Worth the Price Paid.

HONOLULA THE CAPITAL CITY

A Leper Camp as a Living Tomb-The Islands Are a Valuable Grab -The Sugar Crop is a Very Important Industry-Other Products -Language Rather Mixed-Curious Fish-Our Great Naval and Commercial in the Pacific.

Honolulu, Hawailan Islands,

January 1, 1916. Correspondence of The Caucasian-Enterprise.

Owin' to the Christmas holidays an' the long jump necessary to reach these islands, I failed to reach you in time for your first baue in January. To make matters worse, I hev bin quite unwell fer a few days, but

am now feelin' better The Hawalian islands number eight, not to speak ov several small patches in the naborhood that air hardly worth countin'. Hawaii, the largest in the bunch, her an area of 4,200 miles and a population av about 50,000. Hilo, the second town in size, iz located on this island and hez a population ov about 1,000 Honolulu, the Capital city, is signled on the island ov Ohahu, which hez city ov Honolulu hez about 40,000

These islands air so far from the mainland ov any country and from any other islands that they appear to be a mere speck upon the vast ocean. Yet they hev great mounafflicted air carried there to find a livin' tomb az long az they last, which iz not for long

ered by Capt. Cook in 1778. The natives did not wear much in the way ov clothin' in them days. But who visited them. ence soon became dominant in the islands and we finally became own ers ov them, they bein' especially valuable to our country owin' to their location midway between us White House, kept Washington in a an' Japan, China an' other eastern territory. Now that we own the Philippines the Hawaiian islands air even more important. The islands air represented in the Lower House ov Congress in recent years. He iz, or wuz known in the islands az Prince Cupid. But in Washington he iz just a plain, hard workin' Con-

The sugar crop iz by far the most islands an' hev proven very satisfactory az farmers.

Honolulu hez several good hotels an' good food iz plentiful here. The population ov the islands iz so thoroughly mixed, practically awl countries bein' represented with actual residents, that awl foods air known and in use, and with a good mixture ov Japanese and Chinese residents, they iz no scarcity ov good cookin', something one cannot say in favor ov some countries.

The language in use on the islands iz very much like the nativity ov the population-rather mixed. aloha," which stands fer "wel-

come" in English. Some good schools hev bin established on the islands, some by native rulers, others by foreigners, In time

they will accomplish a great work The fish found in the water near the islands air a curiosity to visitors. They hev awl the colors ov the rainbow, and some ov them air strangely. shaped, hardly lookin' like fish

There iz one railroad on the

Durin' the administration ov President Harrison he sent a message to If divorces are easier to get else. Congress in which he advised that