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of the National Capital.

Mecklenburg has a Cham-

pion for its Rural Free De-

livery Routes in Represen-

tative Webb---The Project

of National Good Roads.

(A, W. Hughes.)

Washington, D. C., Jan. 8 .- Repre-

PANAMA TREATY

E, YATES WEBB

CHARLOTTE, N. C., SATURDAY EVENING, JANUARY 9, 1904.

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able until the close of the fiscal year Provided, That of this sum not to

exceed \$250,000 may be expended by the Secretary of Agriculture in such manner as he shall deem best, in cooperation with State experiment stattions and practical cotton growers if the Secretary of Agriculture shall deem it advisable to meet the emergency caused by the ragaves of the Mexican cotton-boll weevil and insects

remainer of the \$500,000 herein appropriated (not less than \$250,000, however) shall be used exclusively to mouth disease and other contagious diseases of animals."

gation of the Postoffice Department was taken up this afternoon the Senate Senator Simmons took the floor and stated that it was clearly the purpose of the Republicans not to permit any

further inquiry into the frauds and scandals of the department. He prewould be defeated by practically the unanimous vote of the Republicans. It was apparent, he said, that no further investigation would be permitted on the eve of a presidential elec-

Simmons said the reports of that inquiry showed it to be one directed sole-

sentative Webb of North Carolina, who was delayed a few days at his home in Shelby, when Congress reassembled, with his characteristic energy, had Can Manufacture Tobacco While in about finished up the immense mail which had accumulated during his absence represented in part by a bushel basket of letters ready for mailing

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which stood near his desk this morning, as he prepared to go to the capifor its own inmates without paying litol, where the House was to take up cense. The commissioner says: the boll weevil bill. Rural free delivery has an excellent advocate in the rep-

sideration of the question involved it is held that a charitable or other in- Office that she would be released in resentative from the Mecklenburg disstitution conducted by the State, and 1904, thought the exact date was not under State authority with its own op- fixed. trict and the other members of the eratives, has the right to manufacture North Carolina delegation must look tobacco, cigars or any other tobacco sharp or the Ninth will be the banner product without the payment of tax when all such manufactured tobacco is used exclusively within the State insailed stitution. "The tobacco must, however, be manufactured within the limits of the State institution and no portion of it be removed therefrom. If any portion of such manufactured tobacco is found outside of the limits of the institution it will be liable to seizure and forfeiture the same as any other unstamped

proved. His physicians have not issued any bulletin up to noon. The general impression is physicians have been restrained from making public and diseases affecting cotton, and the frequent news, fearing to alarm the public unnecessarily. It is believed to day that General Gordon is gradual-Want it Honorably is the stamp out and eradicate foot-and- ly sinking and that the new

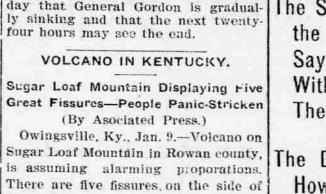
When the resolution for an ivesti-

Speaking of the Bristow inquiry, Mr.

(Continued on Seventh Page.) STATE PRISONERS

Prison. (By Associated Press.)

Washington, Jan. 9 .- The Commissioner of Internal Revenue has decided that it is permissible for State prisons to manufacture tobacco or cigars "I would say that upon careful con-



Owingsville, Ky., Jan. 9 .- Volcano on Sugar Loaf Mountain in Rowan county, dicted that when the resolutions came is assuming alarming proporations tack from the Senate committee they There are five fissures, on the side of the mountain from which smoke pours cut in considerable volume accompanied by a deep rumbling noise. The people in the vicinity are panic stricken and moving form the locality,

GENERAL GORDON SINKING.

It is Thought That he can Hardly Live

for Twenty-Four Hours Longer.

(By Associated Press.)

condition this morning is not im-

Miami, Fla., Jan. 9.-Gen. Gordon's

MRS. MAYBRICK.

(By Associated Press.) The Famous American Woman Sen-Paris, Jan. 9 .- Official advices retenced for Murdering her Husband ceived here indicate that the Russian-

Japanese war is averted, at least for the present, and that the situation has

been brought distinctly within lines of diplomatic adjustment. The reports come chiefly from Tokio, but also from St. Petersburg, and give clear views of the circumstances leading to the sudden improvement of the situation, and show that the Russian answer reached Tokio January 6, and proved the turning point. Prior to the receipt of the answer Japan was making strenuous preparations for war, sending troops to Southern Corea. The

pan's paramount rights in Southern



The Situation Again Within the Limits of D plomacy war risks on cargoes are generally Say the French Authorities With Great Confidence-The Russian Note.

The Dispatch From Tokio However Represents Japan as Still in a Fighting Mood --She Sends Another Note to Russia.

ern quarrel.

National Bank Examiner.

\$40,000 TO BE PAID OUT. Vienna, Jan. 9.- A Austrian-Hungarian officer received a cable message Mechanics' Perpetual Building and from Tokio saying Japan had no in-Loan Association Matures 30th Series. tention of taking any offensive meas-A meeting of the directors of the ures against Corea so long as negotia-Mechanics' Perpetual Building and

tions with Russia were going on. Offi-Loan Association was held at the ascials and diplomats here are hopeful. sociation's office_last night and the They believe the chances of peaceable adjustment of the dispute are dis-30th series declared matured today. tinctly better since the Russian answer | As a result of this \$40,000 will be disis apparently more favorable than bursed to happy stockholders next early reports suggested. Wednesday-\$27,000 in cash to investors and \$13,000 in canceled mort-

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Insurance Rates Higher.

Vienna Hopeful.

gages to borrowers. This is the largest proportion of cash ever paid out London, Jan. 9 .- Rates for insuring by this company and shows the instiffer and insurance harder to place. creasing percentage of people who are

carrying building and loan stock as The bulk of actual business consists in conveying generally th cargoes of an investment. President Wittkowsky and his assoneutral steamships against risks riates are the recipients of many which might arise through a third congratulations today on the brilliant power being drawn into the far eastlosing of the 30th series. Mr. Witnowsky has been presi-

Cruisers Sail.

dent of the Mechanics' Perpetual continuously during the entire 22 years Genoa, Jan. 9 .- The Japanese arof its existence. It has been unintermored cruiser, Kasaga and Niasin, uptedly prosperous throughout its eft Genoa today for Suez. history.

General Impatience.

Tokio, Jan. 9 .- Despite general impatience there is no public excitement here. Saseho, near Nagasaki, is full

acceptance here. Japanese officials regard it as further evidence of German support of Russia.

No Intervention.

Causland. St. Petersburg, Jan. 9.-Suggestion of intervention of other powere in far castern question is regarded in diplomatic circles here as premature. It is not considered seriously and is pointed out that negotiations between Russia Last fall he was requested to address and Japan are not yet broken off. Opin- the citizens of Asheville and direct the merits of the case already preion here is that any proposition of inloan association in that city, which tervention would be useless and probably harmful. Foreign office thinks the he did. About a month ago at the socnly possibility in this connection licitation of the building and loan people at Mooresville, he went there would be the attempt of the Western powers to impress on Japan the sc- and delivered an address which gave note disclosed to Japan for the first time that Russia fully conceded Ja-no advice.

SENATOR SMOOT VEHEMENTLY **DENIES CHARGES**

Says That He is Husband of One Wife and has Been Faithful to Her---Was Legally Married to the Mother of his Children.

Denies Also That the Mormon Hierarchy now Inculcates the Precepts of Polygamy or That the Church Protects Polygam'sts.

(By Associated Press.)

Washington, Jan. 9 .- The response of Senator Smooth of Utah to charges against him was presented this morning to the Senate committee on Privileges and Elections. The document was not formally read and it was agreed that at the regular meeting of the committee next Saturday, the attorneys for Smoot will be heard. As to the inauguration of a building and sented after they have made representations to the committee it will decide whether to go further and call witnesses or dispose of the matter on its showing them made. John G. Carlisle and R. W. Taylor, a former representative from Ohio, will appear for the presecution and Smoot will be represented by attorneys from Washinghton,

to be one of the foremost building Utah and Idaho. Smoot's Reply. Washington, Jan. 9.-Senator Smoot has filed an answer to protests against the retention of his seat in the United States Senate. The respondent is advised of but two of the charges made against him which if true, could legaliy affect his right to a seat in the Senate. These are (1) that the respondent is a polygamist, (2) that he is bound by some oath or obligation which is inconsistent with the oath administered when he took his seat as senator. Both charges he denies. Se says he was legally married, September, '84 to Alpha May Eldridge, who is still his wife and the mother of all his children. He never had any other wife and never cohabited with any other women. He is advised that other matters referred to in charges cannot affect his right to a seat in the Senate, yet answers the same. He denies that he is one of an alleged self-perpetrating body of fifteen or that such a body existed in the church of the Latter Day Saints to which is accorded the authority to shape the belief or control conduct members church. He denies that the church inculcates or forces belief in orpractices of polygamy or countenances or connives at the violating of its laws of Utah or United States, regardless of pledges made to the church. He denies that the church protects persons guilty of practices destructive of family and home or of a violation of the laws of the State and nation.

Will be Released in April of This Year.

(By Associated Press.) London, Jan. 9 .- Referring to the statement published yesterday in the

United States that final arrangements were made vesterday at a conference with Ambassador Choate and the home office for the release of Mrs. Maybrick in April, it is pointed out that the status of the case is the same as that cabled to the Associated

Press last March when it was announced on the authority of the Home

Boer Irreconcilables.

of officers and families and friends bidding them farewell. Russia meets no

board of directors: A. L. Smith, A.C. Summerville, H. G. Link, W. W. Phi-

fer, J. H Wearn, R. F. Stokes, Dr. R.

L. Gibbon, C. Valaer and A. E. Mc-Mr. Wittkowsky is president of the North Carolina Building and Loan Association, an organization which he was the prime mover in effecting.

The officers of the company are: S.

Wittkowsky, president (he has been

president of the association since its

organization); R. H. Jordan, vice

president, and Capt. R. E. Cochrane,

secretary and treasurer. These, with

the following named, constitute the

district before the fiscal year closes. The Old North State has an excellent working delegation in the 58th Congress and what they all desire is the approval of their constituents at home and the opportunity to show what the State can do in Congress if her people will give the Congressmen time to gain influence.

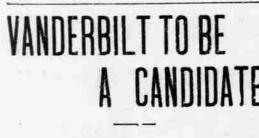
Mr. Webb believes that the Southern people want an isthmian canal, but they want it without a "cloud of suspicion" which will bring discredit upon our government both at home and abroad. He likens Roosevelt to the biblican character "Ahab" in that seeing he could not obtain what he desired from Colombia by the legal method provided, the President used the argument which has proved so potent in every situation in which it has been recently employed, viz. The Navy of the United States.

Quite a large number of candidates for examination for the two Naval Academy appointments for the ninth district have applied to Mr. Webb and he is anxious to have all applications in by February 1st in order that he may appoint a date and place for the holding of the necessary examina-

The bill for eradicating the boll veevil plague, passed by the House tocay without a dissenting vote, pro-

"That so much of the Act entitled An Act making appropriations for the Department of Agriculture for the fiscal year ending June 30th, 1904,' approved March 3, 1903, as relates to the emergency appropriation to enable the Secretary of Agriculture to stamp out and eradicate the foot-and-mouth disease and other contagious diseases of on account of the absence of Judge animals, to be used for no other purpose, be, and the same is hereby, amended to read as follows:

Emergency appropriation: To enable the Secretary of Agriculture to stamp opt and eradicate the foot-andmouth disease and other contagious diseases of animals, and to meet the emergency caused by the ravages of the Mexican cotton-boll weevil and other insects and diseases affecting cotton, and for no other purposes \$500,000, which sum shall remain avail-



The Republicans are Trying to Use His Big Barrel in a Congressional Campaign Rival, his Friend.

The board will also hear several round up their forces in large numbers (By Associated Press.) Gen. Chaffee Head of the Army Greensboro correspondent received delegations from the county which are States so far. at the first meeting of the new year. this morning the above information expected to appear before the meet-New York, Jan. 9.-Cornelius Van-(By Associated Press.) Steps will probably be taken at this Burning Grass Causes Alarm. derbilt will probably be chosen the was contained. ing on Monday next. Washington, Jan. 9 .- After being at meeting to organize an Anti-Saloon This afternoon at 4:30 an alarm Mr. McManus was also interviewed Republican candidate for Congress in League in Charlotte on the broad the head of the army with the rank of as to who will succeed Superinten-Receipts Increase. was turned in from Box 32, corner platform of opposition to the continuthe 13th distrist for next fall's elec-Lieutenant General and Chief of Staff The receipts of the up-town ticket The local Governor and other officials tion. The district leaders have decided dent P. I. Welles, of the Columbia Mint and Hill streets. The grass in an nce of the saloon. division. He would not mention any office of the Seaboard showed an in- have fled. Tewfik Pasha, with several to offer him the nomination and all for less than five months, General now that remains is to make Vander- out field was afire and threatened sevnames, but said a Southern Railway crease for last month of 21 per cent. batallions of troops, is at Musher, Young today relinquished the duties of cral houses before it was extinguished. timent. over December, 1902. Mr. Z. P. Smith, where the feeling of bilt as candiate accept. The young crai houses before it was extinguished. millionaire may not care to fight Fran-It is said that the fire was started in Chaffee. General Young is 64 years old. bilt as candiate accept. The young nan would receive the app This statement from Mr. McManus of Raleigh, Travelling Passenger tense. Detachments of Kurdish caval-THE WEATHER. will be learned of with much interest Agent, spent yesterday here, and left ry have been stationed at all the vilcis Harrison, who is now the Demo- the field by some boys at play. today and was relegated to the retired as it has been stated and not denied, this morning. Mr. Smith was much lages along the Russian frontier to cratic representative in the district. Fair Tonight. list. Dr. C. L. Hoffman, former rector of that a Western railroader would be gratified with the work of Ticket prevent the passage of Armenian Sunday Cloudy with Rain They roomed together at Yale and are The retirement of Gen. Young and appointed superintendent of the Agent Herman in charge of the up- bands, A thousand armed Armenians the closest friends. The district is St. Peter's Episcopal church here, is the accession of Gen. Chaffee was in Evening. town office. spending a few days in the city. nominally Republican. Columbia division, are in the district of Sassoum. marked by the usual ceremonies.

manufactured tobacco which might be found upon the market." TWENTY-FIVE DROWNED.

The Steamer Clallam Foundered off Smith's Island.

(By Associated Press.) San Francisco, Jan. 9.- A telegram from Seattle says the steamer Clallam, foundered off Smith's Island yesterday and that thirty persons were rescued

and twenty-five were drowned. EX-SECRETARY FOSTER DEAD.

Passed Away at His Home in Spring field Today. (By Associated Press.)

Springfield, Ohio, Jan. 9 .- Former Governor Chas. Foster, secretary of the treasury under President Harrison, died in this city this morning.

Safe Robbers Case Postponed. (By Associated Press.)

Montgomery, Jan. 9.-Habeas corpus proceedings to secure the release of the alleged safe robbers, Driscoll and Callahan, were postponed today Winters. It will be heard next week.

New Zion City in Texas.

(By Associated Press.) San Antonia, Jan. 9.-John Alexander Dowie and party returned from an thing will be done to make the day a inspection trip along the Texas coast. He said today that he would locate a new Zion City and farm in Texas, but abandon the Austrailian trip.

Who Are These Negroes?

The police have been notified by the authorities at Richmond of the arrest of Bright Gibson and Eddie Tigh, thom the Richmond officers say are wanted here. Chief Irwin states however, that he knows nothing of the negroes above named. They were arrested in Richmond on the charge of being suspicious characters.

The Pcultry Show.

The managers of the Poultry Show for next week, today began active preparations for the exhibit. A large number of coops were placed in position in have gone home to Japan in order to in New York City --- His the city hall where the exhibit takes place The show this year promises to be

one of the largest ever held. Exhibits have been promised from at least seven

(By Associated Press.) Bombay, Jan. 9.-Nearly 500 Boers for Durban, Natal, today. These are the last irreconcilables who were imprisoned at Ahmadnager. Lately they were induced by General Delarcy to take the oath of allegiance.

MAJ. C. M. STEDMAN TO BE THE ORATOR

He Will Make the Address for the Daughters of the Confederacy on the Cele-

cration of the Births of Lee and Jackson.

At a meeting of Stonewall Jackson Chapter, Daughters of the Confeder acy, held this morning, the arrange-

ments for honoring both the birthdays of Lee and Jackson, were par tially completed. It was unanimously decided that the meeting be held in the auditorium of the Presbyterian College on the evening of January 19th, which will be Tuesday week. Hon. Charles M. Sted-

man, of Greensboro, has been invited to deliver the address of the occasion and has accepted. This will be learn ed of with real pleasure by Maj. Stee man's many Charlotte friends.

The music for the occasion will be furnished by Charlotte's new brass band which is known as Keesler's Band.

The Daughters were very enthusiastic over the coming celebration of the births of the South's heroes and everymemorable one. At the meeting today which was the

first of the new year there were present a large number of the Daughters would give no details. He will not In fact it was the best attendance for many months. It was decided that a programme of

unusual attractiveness be arranged for the celebration of Lee and Jackson's birthday's. This will be gotten out at an early day as possible and will be published in The News.

Receipts Increase 21 Per Cent. (By Associated Press.)

San Francisco, Jan. 9 .- Owing to prospects of war in the near future,

passenger officials of steamship company's stated that during the last five or six weeks about 5,000 Japanese enlist in their country's army. About forty or fifty Russians they say have gone across the Pacific to Port Arthur

to offer their services to Russia

Corea. The concession practically gave Japan what she had been preparing to assert by force, and military activity was suspended. Whether Russia's answer will prove entirely satisfactory is not reported, but the suspension of military activity is re-

garded as removing the most dangerous aspect, and gives hope that Japan will receive Russia's answer in a con-whether the answer of concession re-linguishes the contention for a neutral zone across Northern Corea, but it is understood that it relates chiefly to

apan's rights is Southern Corea.

News From Japan. Tokio, Jan. 9.-Japan addressed a

Said to Have Taken Team note to Russia today. Its character is not disclosed, but it is said that Japan requires an answer within a definite number of days. It is not known and Other Valuables From Well Known Merchants of whether the note mentions the time for making the note an ultimatum The government is determined to se-Henderson --- Arrested in cure an early response, and will close the discussion should it be fruitless Charlotte Last Night.

It is understood that Japan adheres closely to her original contentions, and believes that if Russia fails to meet the issue squarely that war will follow.

portant capture last night about 9 The attitude of the British and the Americans greatly encourages the war o'clock, arresting a foreigner named guests. John Motter, who is wanted inHenderspirit, which is stronger than ever. son, N. C., for making way with a

Russian Fleet Returns.

Tokio, Jan. 9.—A meeting of the el-der statesmen has been deferred a day peddlers have in stock. or two. The Russian warships which of the affair and were keeping a lookleft Vladivostock recently are reported out for all suspicious characters anto have returned there instead of going swering the description of Motter. to Port Arthur as was expected.

THE TEMPERANCE FORCES TO ORGANIZE

Big Mass Meeting to be Held Church Sunday 17th- Mr. J. W. Bailey of Raleigh Will Make the Address.

Charlotte are making extensive preo'clock.

Mr. Josiah William Bailey, president of the Anti-Saloon League of North Carolina, will be present on the above cccasion and will deliver a temperance address

Mr. Bailey had already made arrangements to visit Charlotte on the 17th, to deliver an address before the Y. M. C. A. at the afternoon meeting. This being the case, the temperance advocates will take advantage of Mr. Bailey's presence in Charlotte and



(By Associated Press.) Washington, Jan. 9.-John K. Mc-Donald of Montgomery, Alabama, has been appointed a national bank examiner. Mr. McDonald is at present receiver of the Eaufula National Bank of Eaufula, Alabama.

ORDERED WINE OFF TABLE.

Grand Chancellor Lyles Enforces Pythian Rules at Tryon Banquet. Grand Chancellor W. M. Lyles, of the Knights of Pythias has just returned from a trip through the western part of the State where he visited a number of lodges.

At Tryon, not Columbus as published in several papers, there was quite a little episode when the Grand Chan-ON SEPOIUS CHARGE ellor ordered that wine which had en poured out for the guests at a anguet, should be taken from the table and no one permitted to partake if the beverage. The Grand Chancellor had just entered the banqueting hall at Tryon when he noted the presence of wine on the table, in the glasses of the guests. This is strictly in conflict with the laws of the order and the Grand Chancellor at once ordered the wine roured back into the vessels from which it had been taken as well as from the glasses of the guests who had been served. As this action of the Grand Chancellor was strictly in accordance with the rules of the order The police of the city made an imwhich he represented the matter was regarded only in a favorable light by

SLUMP IN BANANAS.

They Were Sold From the Car at 25 Cents a Bunch.

The banana market suffered a sev ere slump this morning and one that made it possible for even the little newsboys to purchase an entire bunch.

Board Meets Monday.

ty Board of Education, Capt. Wm. An-

derson chairman, will hold its first

meeting for the new year and a num-

On next Monday morning the Coun-

Last night Officers Summerrow and Johnson secured a clue which led to The word went out this morning the arrest of Motted in this city. that a car packed with the golden fruit Motter went to the store of Hatem was sidetracked near the Southern's

& Bros., in Henderson a few weeks freight depot and that to all comers ago and made an arrangement to pedthey would be sold at 25 cents a dle for the firm, securing a wagon and bunch. horse and a full supply of all kinds of As soon as the doors of the car were notions and other articles that would be expected in a peddler's supply turn for a bunch. of goods.

team and a big load of goods such as

The police here had been notified

When Motter was arrested here he did not have the team with him, but the officers succeeded in locating the and boys swinging a bunch of the in the Second Presbyterian team in High Point, where it had been fruit.

left before Motter came here. held until the officer arrives with the stand around the car after every bana- not yet decided as to whether he will proper papers for taking him back to na had been carried off. Henderson, N. C. A handsome reward The army of country people who was offered for the apprehension of were in the city today took advantage

parations for a big mass meeting that man. Motter is a foreigner, apparently will be held in the Second Presbyterian a Syrian, of dark complexion and the Church Sunday night, the 17th at 7:30 usual features of the Syrian. He is

MR. WELLES' SUCCESSOR.

The chief business will be the apportioning of the public school money. The exact amount available is not Baker, of the Southern, would shortly known today but will be made public early next week or as soon as the county finance committee completes under Mr. C. S. McManus, is today the auditing of the county finances upon which they are now engaged.

GEN. REYES ILL.

Gees to Baltimore to Consult a Specialist.

(By Associated Press.)

Washington, Jan. 9.-General Reyes, the special envoy of Colombia who came with the hope of arranging a peaceful settlement of the differences between Colombia and the United opened a hungry crowd waited their States having failed his mission will

leave Washington today for Baltimore. As fast as two men could hand them, He does not expect to return unless he receives some intimation from the deout, the bunches disappeared and all partment that there is hope of doing along the streets one could see men something that may avert a rupture. General Reyes is far from being well

The car load was soon disposed of and the object of his visit to Baltimore Motter was locked up and will be and the anxious buyers continued to is for treatment by a specialist. He is return to Colombia January 17th.

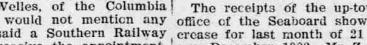
SASSOUN DISTRICT

State of Panic Prevai's ber of important matters will come A Near Erzeroum on Account of the Fear of a Repetition of Last Year's Horrors---The Armenian Band.

> (By Associated Press.) Constantinople, Jan. 9 .- News form Erzercum says the people of Sassoun are in a state of semi-panic, fearing the repetition of the events of 1903.

before the meeting for consideration. It Will be a Southern Railway Mar Says Mr. McManus. The rumor that Superintendent resign in order to accept the position of Assistant General Superintendent

denied by Mr. McManus. In a telegram from The News'



Motter and the recovery of the team and the officers who made the arrest will come in for a neat sum as a re-nly of the fruit ward of their efforts in spotting the

now confined at police headquarters.

The temperance forces of the city of will come in for a neat sum as a re- ply cf the fruit.