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THOMAS ZVAN IS IN

THE TOILS "FFORE

Stock of James H. Hyde was

Said he Iried to Save Country

From Panic. Hughes Fires

Embarrassing Questions, Har-i-

man and Ryan. Did Harriman

New York, Dec. 8.-Thomas F. Ryan,

who purchased the control of the Equi-

table by buying the stock of James H.

Hyde, was a witness before the insur-

Hyde Equitable stock because be be-

lieved he thus prevented the most tre-

lowed if the Equitable would have been

chase, Mr. E. H. Harriman, president

share in the purchase. Mr. Ryan re-

Mr. Ryan declined to answer the

questions as to what was said at the

convention between him and Mr. Har-

Mr. Hughes said he wanted to know

put in the hands of a receiver.

fused Mr. Harriman's offer.

Threaten Investigation?

Ev Associated Press.

ance committee today.

Committee To-day.

CHARLOTTE, N C., FRIDAY EVENING, DECEMBER 8, 1905.

of a conspiracy on the part of certain

Mrs. Rogers is the first person sen-

enced to death in Vermont within the

past 13 years who was refused clemen-

cy. The last woman to be executed

was Mrs. Emeline Meeker, at Wind-

of a conspiracy on the part of certain prison officials to bring about such a condition as would further postpone CHARLOTTE FIRM IS

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GORMAN AGAIN CHAIRMAN. Of the Caucus of the Democratic Mem-

bers of the Senate. By Associated Press. Washington, Dec. 8 .- The Democratic senators held a conference and authorized the Democratic steering THE COMMITTEE committee to act for them in filling the minority vacancies on the Senate committees. Senator Teller was designated as a member of the steering committee to succeed ex-Senator Cock-Thomas F. Ryan who Got Control rell. Senator Gorman was re-elected chairman of the Democratic caucus, of Equitable by Purchasing Senator Blackburn, vice chairman and

Senator Carmack, secretary. Regarding the rumor that the Republicans would seek to reduce the Before Insurance Investigating Democratic representation on the committees, it was stated that the Republican members of the committee on rules had given assurance to the contrary.

PREMIER WITTE RESIGNS.

Dispatch Says Witte Tenders Resignation to Emperior, Which is Rejected.

By Associated Press. Berlin, Dec. 8 .- A despatch to the Tageblatt from St. Petersburg dated yesterday, says that Premier Witte has given his resignation to the Emperor, By Associated Press.

who refused to accept it. TWO TEAMS TIE.

Have Traversed Saucer Track Equal Number of Times.

at Bennington, August 13, 1902. Mr. Ryan testified that he bought the By Associated Press. Mrs. Rogers was pronounced dead New York, Dec. 8 .- At one o'clock by the prison officials at 1:27 1-2. Exethe Root-Fogler and Bedell-Bedell teams in the six-day bicycle race, cution took place after the woman had 57 years old. She talked so ramblingly mendous panic the country had ever were tied for the first place, each havseen which he believed would have fol- ing covered 1,755 miles and 7 laps.

GERMANY TO PARTICIPATE.

Mr. Ryan says that after his pur- Richthoff Received President of Jamestown Exposition Company, of the Union Pacific railroad desired to By Associated Press.

> Berlin, Dec. 8 .- Foreign Secretary, Richthoff received Harry St. George Tucker, President of the Jamestown attend by the laws of Vermont. Exposition Company and listened appreciatively to Mr. Tucker's description of his acts and promised to support his request for participation of the German squadron of the opening of the ceremonies in May, 1907.

whether there was any truth in the quivered as Deputy Sheriff Shafford DISPENSER TO PRODUCE PAPER. pronounced the fatal words "I now proreport that it was hinted that there ceed to execute the sentence of the law would be an investigation of the life Big Chief Beer Dispenser is Told By

the court here at 10 o'clock next Mon-

Salisbury Happenings.

Special to The News. Salisbury, N. C. December 8 .-

Break in New York Market.

Louisiana, 362,397; Mississippi, 8 40,729;]

Missouri, 30,254, North Carolina, 573,-

598; Oklahoma, 230,648; South Carolina,

992,708; Tennessee, 203,388; Texas, 2,-

The above statistics were compiled

075,007; Virginia, 13,030.

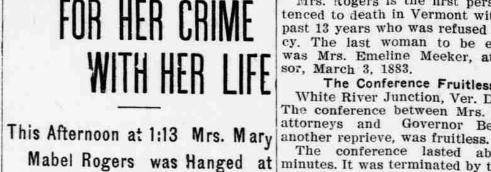
ginners through the mails.

By Associated Press.

in cattle raising.

is about completed.

Salisbury.



Windsor, Dec. 8 .- Mrs. Mary Mabel

Rogers was hanged at Vermont State's

prison at 1:13 this afternoon for the

murder of her husband, Marcus Rogers

Mrs. Rogers maintained her com-

posure to the last and mounted the gal-

Although a deathly pallor overspread

her countenance, hardly a muscle

MRS. ROGERS PAYS

sor, March 3, 1883. The Conference Fruitless. White River Junction, Ver. Dec. 8 .-The conference between Mrs. Rogers' attorneys and Governor Bell

The conference lasted about 30 minutes. It was terminated by the posiive declaration of Governor Bell that Vermont State Prison for the he would not interfere in the execution. The arguments offered by the at-Murder of Her Husband, Mar- torneys were not new.

HYPNOTIS OF WOMAN.

Police Declare Supposed Victim is of Unsound Mind and Disbelieve Her Story.

Although Her Face was Deathly Columbus, Ga., Dec. 8.—Josephine Kelley, the woman who claimed to have been for several months under the influence of a strange man, and to have been compelled to follow him through the country, visiting forty cities, all of which she enumerated, has been loin 141-2 Minutes. Tragic Finale of Noted Case

they have seen the woman. Day before yesterday, Chief Wiley Williams, of this city's police depart-

ment., received a letter from Josephine Kelley, in which she claimed to have been under the influence of a strange man and to have followed him through the country, acting as his slave. Th chief was appealed to for aid, and his detectives were put on the case.

The woman was located at 405 Second Avenue, in this city, and instead of being young and pretty as she claimed. she was a haggard woman of about of her trouble, and was so evidently un sound on every other subject she talked peals made by her counsel and after of, that the detectives reported to the chief that the woman was of unsound mind, and her story was evidently the



Convention Opens with Prayer for

Exhibits, Illustrative of N. C. Resources to be Sent to Fairs Held in New England States. Baptist Convention Votes \$30,-

INCORPORATED AT

A LARGE CAPITAL

000 for Foreign Missions.

The Incorporators.

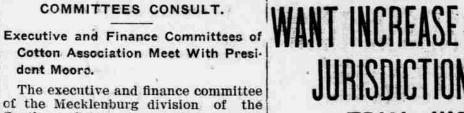
Special to The News. Raleigh, Dec. 8 .- A certificate of incorporation was issued to the Mida Mineral Springs Co., of Charlotte at a W. Johnson and others, also to the native Salvage Co., of Greenville, at a \$5,000 capital by C. V. Munford and others.

Orders were just made by the Corporation Commission that in the weighing of car load lots of lumber on flat cars the shippers shall have the allowance of 500 pounds in addition to the deduction of the weight of the car from the gross weight, this being for grower. standards, supports, etc.

That the shipments of freight, except first and higher classes is not delivered at the destination it shall be returned to in reverse direction to

ment

points within the state at half rate provided the freight both ways is paid More Laborers in Foreign or guaranteed and return shipment Field. Dr. Seymore Delivers within 90 days after the original ship-



COMMITTEES CONSULT.

Southern Cotton Association, consisting of Messrs. H. K. Reid, C. H. Wolfe, McD. Watkins, D. A. Johnston, J. M. Davis and Capt. S. B. Alexander, met with the President of the Association this morning and consulted for two A Certificate Incorporation was Is- this morning and consulted for two Grand Jury in it's Report Sug-

to adopt the best plant for extending sued To-day to the Mida Min- the work in Mecklenburg county and interesting every man of any occupaeral Springs Company of This tion in the movement of the Associa-City at Capital of \$100,000, tion. Messrs. C. H. Wolfe, McD. Watkins,

> and C. C. Moore were instructed to arrange a time and place for a meeting at which the business men engaged in any pursuit in Charlotte or Mecklenburg county will be asked to be pres-

ent for the purpose of informing them fully just what the Southern Cotton Association is. It is a deplorable fact that fully 75 per cent of the business men do not know the object of the Association or what it has done in a financial way for the South.

At this meeting men who are fully informed and acquainted with the Association work will deliver addresses. Notice of the meeting will be given as

the details are arranged. capital of \$100,000 by J. W. Sample, W. club in the county, and authorized him the Legislature enact for this county to select speakers to go with him to any club, and as far as is in his power,

weeks

take steps towards giving the negro the jury in full, follows: farmers instructions and information in regard to what the Association has Judge of the Superior Court: done and will do for him as a cotton

for Concord, where he will deliver an first class condition, and the stock and address tomorrow evening to the farmers of Cabarrus county.

FOOTBALL CONCLAVE OPENS.

Princeton Declines to Send a Delegate to the Conference.

New York, Dec. 8 .- Answers have been received from twelve of the twen-

JURISDICTION OF TRIAL JUSTICES

gests that General Assembly Enact Such Laws as Will Give **Recorder and Justices More** Power.

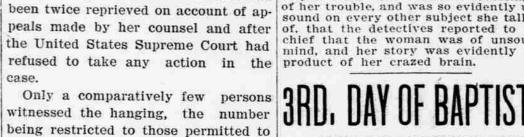
Says that Trial Justice Should Dispose of all Petty Cases of Crime, Thereby Saving a Great Amount of Cost and Trouble to County.

The most interesting feature of the report of the Grand Jury of Mecklen-The executive committee instructed bury county as submitted to Judge Mr. C. C. Moore to at once visit every Webb is that the jury suggests that such laws as will give the Justices of to keep the present live interest in the the Peace and the Recorder jurisdict-Association awake. Towards this end ion over all cases that are known in Mr. Moore has already arranged for the category of crime as petty criminal speakers to be with him at several cases. The jury suggests that such club meetings during the next few laws would save the people of the county a large per cent of unneces-Mr. Moore was further instructed to sary costs and trouble. The report of

To His Honor, James L.

We, the Grand Jury, have visited Little's camp on Dowd road and found Mr. Moore leaves tomorrow morning the convicts well kept, the camp in buildings also in first class condition. We visited the Welsh convict camp and found the convicts well kept, the stock and buildings in good condition and the camp well kept.

We visited the County Home and found the house in good condition and cared for as well as can be done under the existing condition of the inmates. The Superintendent of the County Home reported that the commissioners are building a separate house for the insane which we heartily endorse. We visited the county jail and found it well kept and prisoners well fed. We recommend that the prisoners have more blankets for their own comfort. We also recommend that the commissioners push forward the contemplated improvements at the jail as early as possible. We found the county court house repainted inside and it is kept in first class condition. We, the Grand Jury of Mecklenburg county do suggest that our General Assembly do enact for Mecklenburg county such laws as will give Justices of the Peace and Recorders jurisdiction over petty cases, thereby saving the people of the county a large per cent of needless cost. which comes through the courts. We have passed on 83 bills, 79 true bills and 4 not true bills.



Pale She Remained Firm, and Bravely Mounted Gallows. Dead

case.

cus Rogers.

insurance business if Mr. Harriman was not given an interest in the Equitable.

Mr. Ryan declined to answer and and other papers which Big Chief Beer was usheld in his declination by Paul D. Cravath, his attorney.

Chairman Armstrong, of the committee, said the question was a proper state, and to this end passed an order one and should have been answered.

Mr. Hughes asked if Mr. Harriman day morning. had said anything to intimate that anything disastrous would happen to Mr. Ryan's interests if he refused to share

Mr. J. A. Rusher, a successful meat with Mr. Harriman. market proprietor and a good farmer, Mr. Ryan again refused to answer although Chairman Armstrong, in the has sold his interests in Rowan and name of the committee, directed him purchased a large tract of grazing land in Ashe county, and will go into to reply

There, on advice of his counsel, Mr. Ryan replied that Mr. Harriman had He is convinced that there is money not made any such threat.

The istallation of Rev. E. L. Ritchie, Mr. Ryan said he had directed his counsel to make the trusteeship of the as pastor of the Spencer and East Equitable stock perpetual, because he Spencer Lutheran churches, will take did not want any heir of his ever to place Sundar morning at 11 o'clock. The services will be conducted by Rev. control the property.

WHAT BECAME OF BOOKS?

South Carolina Committee Don't Think They Were Burned.

Columbia, S. C., Dec. 8 .- The legislative committee is investigating today as to what became of the certain books of the Secretary of State's office which disappeared after the fire in the office in September 1904.

It was claimed that the books were burned but that explanation does not appear to be satisfactory to some and hence the investigation.

CAPTAIN HARRISON DEAD.

Was Brother of Late President Benjamin Harrison.

By Associated Press. Nashville, Tenn., Dec. 8 .- Captain Carter B. Harrison, brother of the late Presiden* Benjamin Harrison, died yesterday at his home near Murfreesboro, Tenn. He was 65 years of age.

SHAW TAKES NO ACTION.

He Will Not Attempt to Relieve Money Situation. By Associated Press.

Washington, Dec. 8 .- Secretary bales ginned to November 14, 1905. Shaw said he did not expect to make The amount of cotton ginned by the any deposits in the national banks to- states and territories, is as follows: Gav to relieve the money situation. Alabama, 1,066,728; Arkansas, 422,813; hor to take any action unless the situ-rion to take any action unless the situation grew materially worse, dian Territory 246,402; Kentucky 628;

STRANGE FOR GEORGIA.

First Legal Execution in County for Criminal Assault. By Associated Press.

Atlanta, Ga., Dec. 8.-The first legal execution in Fulton county. Georgia, from the telegraphic reports of special assailant of Mrs. Alice Moore, was against the individual returns of the hanged.

SEN. MITCHELL IN EXTREMIS.

Associated Press. Windsor, where Mrs. Rogers has been His speech at the dinner in his honor and uttered, until the whole country There was only one case in the ployed by the Seaboard Air Line Rail-Portland, Ore., Dec. S .- Senator olina, 8,927. confined, have, it is claimed affected on "The Seventieth Birthday" excels rang with regret and ridicule. The Recorder's court this morning. It was way, had the misfortune to sprain his Mitchell is in an extremenly critical Sharp Break in New York. sharp Break in New York. New York, Dec. 8.—Cotton reports of New York, Dec. 8.—Cotton reports of testimony before the prison investi- "To stand unafraid and unabashed up-be has done he very likely will make the third day new that the other was discharged. condition and death is momentarily ex-New York, Dec. 8.—Cotton reports of he has done he very likely will make percented. The administration of saline so-to. Senator Mitchell died this after-hoon. New York, Dec. 8.—Cotton reports of the Census Bureau was followed by a solution is being frequently recorted he has done he very likely will make solution is being frequently recorted he has done he very likely will make the Census Bureau was followed by a solution is being frequently recorted he has done he very likely will make the Census Bureau was followed by a solution is being frequently recorted he has done he very likely will make the Census Bureau was followed by a solution is being frequently recorted he has done he very likely will make the Census Bureau was followed by a solution from the words of other men, a solution from the worst influ-hoon. New York, Dec. 8.—Cotton reports of the Stand unatrate and unabasiled up the bas done he very likely will make the census Bureau was followed by a solution from the worst influ-blackberry wine a few days ago. New York, Dec. 8.—Cotton reports of the stand unabasiled up the bas done he very likely will make the census Bureau was followed by a solution conting the stand unabasiled up the bas done he very likely will make the census Bureau was followed by a solution from the worst influ-blackberry wine a few days ago. noon. ruled very feverish and unsettled. ences to which he listens.

and may God have mercy on your soul. South Carolina Supreme Court 10 When these words were pronounced Show Papers. Deputy Sheriff Angus McCauley sprung Columbia, S. C., Dec. 8 .- The Supreme Court is determined to find out "what is the trap and the drop fell. doing" in those alleged private letters

No Final Statement. On the march to the gallows Mrs. Dispenser James S. Farnum, of Charles-Rogers declined the assistance of the ton, on advice o fcounsel, had removed from his dispensary No. 12 in Charlesdeputies. Her step was firm. She mounted the scaffold unaided and stopton, beyond the reach of the dispensary ped exactly upon the center of the the third day of the 75th Annual Bapinvestigation commission in another requiring him to produce them before trap.

lows with a steady step.

She sat down in the chair for a for more laborers in the foreign field." final statement to make she shook her Rutherfordton.

head negatively. In the opinion of the attending physicians, Mrs. Roger's neck was broken, chairman to bring about closed relaand death was due to strangulation, although she was probably unconsci- nitely, was postoned. ous from the fall of the drop.

Mrs. Roger's body had been claimed by her mother and sister and will be erful speech in the interest of that the cattle business on a large scale. buried by them at Hoosick Falls, N. lahan resides

After the execution of Mrs. Rogers, Governor Bell gave out the following statement: "I am much relieved to power. know that the execution of Mrs. Rog-J. E. Shank, and Rev. C. I. Morgan of ers was accomplished promptly, according to law, and without any hitch or unnecessary delay. It was a disa-The big steel bridge which the greeable duty I have been called upon Southern has been engaged in erectto perform, but notwithstanding my street crossing for the past two months

private views in regard to the matter, street crossing for the past two conths I have acted on my oath as Chief Executive and I believe I have acted in the interest of the public good and according to the law-abiding sentiment of the people of Vermoni. The inci-**GINNED TO DEC. 1** say anything more at this time."

History of Crima The crime for which Mrs. Mary Mabel Rodgers was sentenced to death was the murder of her husband,

Marcur Rogers, at Bennington, Aug-Bulletin Issued Shows Number of gust 13, 1902. At the time the crime was

Bales 8,684,842 Counting committed Mrs. Rodgers was only 19. She had been separated from her hus-Round Bales as Half Bales. band for some time and was desirous sylvania, but their legislators were de-Amount Ginned by States. Maurice Knapp.

On the day of the murder Marcus meet him in the woods, near the

Washington, Dec. 8 .- A bulletin is- Walloomsac river. While caressing him she induced sued by the Census Bureau shows the Says Unless Situation Grows Worse number of bales of cotton ginned to De- him to allow her to bind his hands, will be carried through despite the "hue

aided by Leon Perham, a half-witted A previous report showed 7,498,167 boy, who was the son of the woman with whom she boarded.

Another woman, Estella Bates, was present.

> Rogers, Perham and the Bates woman a pocketbook add to the adequacy of were arrested. Perham made a com- the portrayal? Mr. Quay's personal plete confession and both he and Mrs plete confession and both he and Mrs. ue to him as a personal influence is to Rogers were found guilty of murder in the first degree Perham was sentenced

to imprisonment for life, while Mrs. Rogers was sentenced to death on

the gallows. Various attempts were made to com- fully.

Strong Address. Much Business Transacted.

Special to The News. Raleigh, Dec. 8 .- The burden of the Oxford. opening of the devotional services of

tions with the Free Will Baptist indefi-

Dr. Seymore of the American Baptist be done at a cost that would be com-Republican Society, delivered a powwork. He vigorously endorsed Dr. Dar-Y., where her mother, Mrs. Josie Cal- gans' position, declaring that Baptists retary T. K. Bruner, to accompany it. have no right to cater to any religious He also urged that steps be taken for Canadian officials descended upon the sect that denies the divinity of Christ effectual efforts to attract that class and does not rely on his might and

> The report of the State Mission was presented by Rev. M. L. Kesler. He emphasized the fact that the exodus of people from the country to the towns has been checked and even turned livery and good roads.

The report urges "little schools beside every church." Corresponding Secretary Livingston Johnson followed up the report with a strong plea for a dent, is closed and I do not care to the convention took recess for dinner greater effort for missions and before at 1:30 o'clock, a resolution was adopted, increasing the annual appropriation for State Missions from \$30,-000 to \$35,000.

Immortal Quay.

Governor Pennypacker signed a bill appropriating \$20,000 for the erection the annual appropriation for foreign of a memorial to his distinguished cousin, the late Senator Quay. This \$20,000 belonged to the people of Pennof marrying a young man named lighted to turn it to the honor of the since 7.30 and been addressed man who created many of them. Such

a protest has arisen since the Governor's signature that a doubt has been Rogers went to Bennington to visit raised about whether the statue will his wife and that nigt she arranged to actually ever become a reality. Coloingham of Nashville. nel Samuel Moody, however, secretary

of the commission for erecting the tri-Commission makes an order for the bute for the deceased great and honorstandard freight tariff to apply in the ed statesman, declares that the scheme future to the Atlantic & Yadkin division of the Southern from Sanford to Mt. Airy. This means a reduction of about ten per cent in the general "and will represent the late Senator in his favorite pose. All of his friends are familiar with that portrait of him agrees to the change. standing beside the table with a book

in one hand and his eyeglasses in the A few days after the murder Mrs. other." We do not wish to intrude suggestions, but would not a bottle and give the lie, as far as possible, to what Pennsyvania accomplished on November 7.-Collier's for December 9, 1905.

> Mark Twain's Philosophy. Mark Twain is growing old grace-

for the crime of criminal assault took agents who canvassed the ginneries, mute Mrs. Roger's sentence, but all He has achieved the philosophy of place at the Tower this morning when and it was announced they are subject failed and the date set for the exe-Jim way. Set for the exe- life by keeping humor in it. Most which by his own error, he has been Jim Walker, the self convicted negro to slight corrections until checked cution was February 3, 1905. Governor philosophers fail of individual happe-assation to slight corrections until checked two reprinted two Bell granted two reprieves for the ness because they lack a proper sense presentation of new evidence, but the of humor. Most humorists omit the then he gave a most preposterous ex-The statistics of this report include court denied the petition for a new philosophic contemplations which tem-

Only One Small Case. -Mr. John Booth, a young man em-

ty colleges and universities which have Governor Glenn appointed Saml. W. been invited by New York University Parker, M. L. Coley and W. H. Har- to the conference on football to be ris as members of the board of direc- held at the Murray Hill Hotel tomorrow morning. Nine have accepted the

tors of the colored orphan asylum at invitation and three have declined. One of the three is Amherst Col-

Governor Glenn attendeed the ses- lege, which states that it is interested sion of the State Board of Agriculture in the meeting and shall be glad to tist State Convention was a "prayer this morning and made an earnest know the results. The second excuse comes from Hamilton College, which moment and when asked if she had any It was led by Rev. C. B. Justice, of appeal for arrangements to be made cannot spare a member of the faculty, for the sending of an exhibit illustra- but declares reform in football to be A resolution to appoint a committee tive of the resources of the State to imperative. The president of Princeton with Rev. Ligingston Johnston as the fair to be held in the various New writes that they do not as yet feel prepared to take part in such a confer-England States next fall. He present- ence.

ed a plan which he thought this could RAIDED FROM BOTH SIDES.

paratively small, a representative of Hotel Keeper Says He Paid For Pro-

tection, but Got Fooled. the department, most probably Sec-Burlington, Vt., Dec. 8 .- Because of posse of seventeen United States and famous Line House at Richford, owned by A. B. Chapelle, and seized liquor worth \$700, he was arrested and brought to Burlington today by a Dep-úty United States Marshal and arraign-

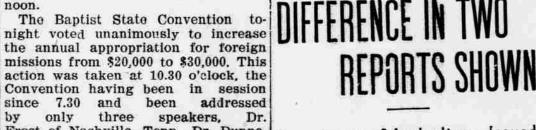
of immigrants to the State who will worth \$700, become purchasers of small farms.

Major W. A. Graham was added to ed before Commissioner Johnson, who held him for the Federal courts. the committee on guarantine and test Chapello said that he had for years

paid officials in Richford for protection farms. The resignation of Prof. W. F. and that he had known when his place from the towns to the country because Massey as horticulturalist, to become was to be searched. His present trouof the improved schools, rural free de- editor of the Practical Farmer, of ble was caused by temperance forces,

he said, who had special deputies ap-Philadelphia, was accepted. Assistant pointed to make the raid. He said he State Chemist Pickle appeared before knew the raid was to be made, but the board and enumerated various labor saying appliances that have been made in all previous years. Chapelle's labor saving appliances that have been place of business is partly in Canada installed in the laboratory that save and partly in the United States, and great number of witnesses the court appractically one man. The board sent Major W. A. Graham, J. M. Forenand he across the line no matter from and R. L. Doughton to represent them which side the search was made. The at the inauguration of President Po- joint search made this plan ineffective. task to go over this large amount of

teat at Wake Forest College this afternoon.



way of Oxford, briefly, and Dr. Will-The North Carolina Corporation

Census Bureau of Statistics, Difference in Estimating.

freight rate. The railroad company By Associated Press. Washington, Dec. 8 .- The Depart-

Governor Glenn accepts an invitation ment of Agriculture issued a statement to deliver an address before the Conin explanation of the discrepancy betemporary Club, Henderson, next Monday night. Following the public ad- tween the cotton reports of the Bureau dress, there will be a reception and banquet in honor of the Governor.

season o! 1904-5. The President's Reciprocity Blunder. Collier's for December, 1905, refers to The statement says the discrepancy

s largely due to the fast that the Census Bureau expressed the production in bales of 50 pounds gross weight, or 478 pounds net weight, as far as square bales were concerned.

The estimate of the Bureau of Statistics was expressed as in "Net" weight bales, which an examination of the figures by former Statistician Hyde, shows to have been estimated that

239,034 round bales, and 82,203 Sea Is- trial each time, and the United States per adversity. Most lives become rigid said the President was too grand and land bales. The Sea Island cotton is Court refused to consider the case. when the flexibility of youth departs. awful a creature to argue with a mortal, 506.2 pounds. BRIEFS. Oregon Senator is Not Epected to By Associated During the date of the field of the

J. D. CLARK, Foreman

THE SPRINGS CASE.

Is Now in the Hands of the Jury .--- A Stubbornly Fought Case.

The argument in the Springs murder case was finished today at noon and since that hour Judge Webb has been going over the evidence in the case with the jury. Because of the pointed a stenographer to take the evidence just as it fell from the mouths of the witnesses. It has been quite a typewritten evidence and at 3 o'clock Judge Webb had not commenced his carge to the jury. The case will probably be given to the jury by 4 o'clock and a verdict will hardly be reached before 6 or 7 o'clock.

News readers will recall that Bob. Springs is charged with the murder of Ephriam Withers and that the tragedy occurred in Mallard Creek township, the night of the 29th of last Septem-Department of Agriculture issued ber. There was a negro festival that Statement Explaining Discrep- night and Bob Springs and Ephriam Withers were there. They had some words about a woman and Bob Springs ancy Between Cotton Report of drew his pistol and shot Withers dead, so it is charged.

The case has been stubbornly fought by Stewart and McRae who have ably defended Springs. Solicitor Clarkson, as is usually the case, took splendid care of the State's interest.

An Incindiary Fire.

A harn on the farm of Mr. F. C. Harris, near Pineville, was burned yesterday evening, shortly after 5 of Statistics of the Agriculture Depart- o'clock. Besides the building, a lot of ment and the Census Bureau for the hay, fodder and cotton seed were destroyed. The loss is estimated at about \$300.

It is said that the fire was of an incendiary origin. Constable Culp has the case in hand and he hopes to bring the guilty party to justice.

North Carolina Postmasters. By Associated Press.

Washington, Dec. 8 .- L. Smart was today appointed postmaster at Caroleen, N. C.

the President's controversy with Mr. Whitney of Massachusetts by saying: Perhaps Mr. Roosevelt's blunder. the endeavor to escape the reciprocity trouble, will improve him in the end Undoubtedly he regrets the light in was incapable of exact thinking, and

missions from \$20,000 to \$30,000. This action was taken at 10.30 o'clock, the Convention having been in session by only three speakers, Dr. Frost of Nashville, Tenn., Dr. Dunna-