

HOLLAND SKIPPED.

Charlotte's Cashier Has Gone—The Authorities Gave Him All the Rope He Wanted.

Jas. R. Holland, the ex-cashier of the Merchants and Farmers Bank of Charlotte who robbed the bank of over \$50,000 and forged a name to a \$10,000 note, was not arrested.

He left Tuesday night and his "goneness" was not discovered until 1 o'clock on Wednesday afternoon.

The house was watched after he was gone, a kind of lock-the-stables-door-when-horse-is-gone.

With no brightness in the future, with all that was terror and gloom before him—property gone, good name gone, all gone—and the penalty for his transgressions looming up before him, it is not strange that he left.

But Mr. Holland can not escape effectually. "A man," they say, "of his marked features can be located anywhere."

JUSTICE JACKSON'S HEALTH.

He is Retiring and Intends to Sit With His Colleagues During the Income Tax Hearing.

Nashville, Tenn., April 24.—The health of Associate Justice Jackson, of the United States Supreme Court, has steadily improved since he came to his home, West Meade, six miles from this city, several weeks ago.

He intends to leave for Washington about May 4th to sit with his colleagues during the hearing of the income tax petitions.

After the consideration of the petitions Justice Jackson will return to his home and remain until the October term of court. His physician says he may safely make the trip to the capital.

An Old Thing That is Done.

Mr. A. B. Correll showed us a head plane, about 8 inches long, 1 inch thick and 1 1/2 inches wide that has been in constant use for more than a century, having been used by his great grandfather, Boyd.

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PROBABILITIES FOR CONCORD

Concord May Yet Have Convenience—Public Spirit of a Few Needs a Switch to Be Built.

There was nothing definitely concluded in regard to the Street Railway at the meeting of the Board of Directors of the North Carolina Railroad that met in this city Wednesday, but the Board was favorably impressed with the business of the place, and saw, too, some much needed convenience.

A depot in or nearer the city. That, among other important things, is being considered by them.

It is said that if the proper public spirit is shown by parties who are directly and indirectly interested in the general welfare and progressiveness of the city will turn their hands in the right direction, the Board will make every effort to secure all necessary railroad facilities essential to the business interests of the city and her citizens.

The Southern's lease of the North Carolina Railroad will expire in six years and it is to the interest of the road as well as the citizens of Concord that the Board of Directors are considering our public necessities in freight and traffic.

It is certain that a switch will be placed down from the Odell Mills to the Main line, and in all probability a passenger depot will be put in the heart of the city.

A New Street and Streets Named. At a meeting of the city fathers Wednesday afternoon it was ordered that a new street be opened, beginning on West Corbin street, running to Young street, passing Young's gin.

The avenue that runs from West Depot street by the residence of Mr. P. B. Frazier will hereafter be known as "G. Organ Avenue." It extends from Depot to Mill street.

"Academy" is the name of the street running from "Georgia Avenue," crossing Spring to North Main street and will in the future be called Academy street instead of "Fisher's lane."

The time for the town tax collector to make his annual report was extended until the first of June, Mr. Bager having had considerable trouble in making collections and insufficient time.

How High Can You Blow Him. A lady in our midst, while assisting in the arrangement for a hunting outfit Wednesday for her brother, discovered a bugle—a cow's horn.

She couldn't imagine what could be done with such a thing, whereupon she asked: "What in the world, Bud, do you do with that?"

But told her "it was to blow the dogs up."

At this the young lady became very much interested in the brother's hunting excursion, and asked him how "high he could blow the dogs."

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CHARLOTTE'S FIRE.

It is a Loss of \$75,000 Over the Insurance.

Thursday evening about 3:30 the fire alarm was given in Charlotte. It came from College street.

Friday morning's Observer gave a long, full and very satisfactory account, even giving a life like picture of the buildings that were burnt.

It was the biggest fire Charlotte has had since the big cotton fire of 1875. Parties in Concord saw the smoke rising from the big fire—a distance of 21 miles.

The fire originated in the building used for the wholesale department of Brown & Weddington. And from this it spread until about a dozen buildings and contents were totally or partially destroyed.

The large wall of the building where the fire originated, falling, damaged the rear ends of the buildings facing on Trade street. It was with great difficulty that these were saved.

The loss in buildings, cotton and merchandise of all kinds will foot up to \$75,000 over and above insurance.

Knocked Them Out. Thursday afternoon about 5 o'clock Mr. J. W. Cannon, with a small stick, waltzed into a gang of worthless, indolent negro boys who had congregated in the front of the St. Cloud Hotel, and made a general scattersation.

These negroes have been warned by the hotel proprietors and by the city authorities both not to sit around on the front of the hotel building, but they heeded not their warning and as a result several of them are wearing stripes on their faces and elsewhere.

It is a great pity that our city has not the proper vigilant law, that these young indolent boys might learn that it is not healthy to be idle and hang around on the street as they do.

A youth of this town was asked by a young girl, whom he thought he loved, whether he was a "Mathematician." "Oh no," he replied, "I am a German Reformed."

Mr. W. R. Cook, who has the telephone force in charge, was called to Charlotte to repair the phone system in that city, which was torn down during the fire Thursday afternoon.

R. A. Brown is having his brick machine removed from the yard near the depot. It will be placed on the Odell farm above the bleachers. He will begin at once to make brick for the new mills.

At St. John's Lutheran church, six miles east of Concord, Rev. Wertz confirmed, last Sunday, 26 members by admission. This is one of the church organizations that dates way back long before the erection of the church.

Ready for business: A Georgia justice has a sign in front of his office with the following inscribed upon it: "We will marry you in shop for a load of wood, a string of fish, a mess of pork, or a bale of cotton."

Rev. G. W. Lomax, colored, of Southport, is reported by the Leader as having run away with a comely young colored woman, a member of his flock. He took also \$300, which he had procured from a widow. He leaves a wife and two children.

Mr. D. P. Dayvaunt, one of the hustling business men ever in the county, has rented the Fair Grounds for a pasture. Mr. Dayvaunt is buying lots of cattle that come on the market and not yet fat enough to kill. He sent a drove to Charlotte last week. He put nine into the pasture Thursday evening.

Your attention is called to the advertisement anew by Cannons, Fetzer & Bell. They carry a complete line of furniture and as nice as anywhere in the State. That they ship large lots of furniture in every direction, is evidence of their prices being right. Read the ad.

A very wild and vicious steer was tied up in the rear lots. It manifested fight for everything in sight. No one could get near him when on "all fours," and failing to get some one to take this risk accounts for the absence of a suicidal item in this sheet. It's remarkable how much sport a red steer can make for the gathereek multitude.

Everybody does not know that by a very simple rule the duration of the night and day can be determined at any time of the year. All you have to do is to multiply the time of the sun's rising by two, and it will give you the length of the night. Multiply the time of setting by two and you get the length of the day. It is easily demonstrated at the time of the year when the sun rises and sets at 6 o'clock, and day and night are of equal duration. It is just as true as the days lengthen and shorten. Thus as winter approaches take a day when the sun rises at 6:30 and sets at 5:30. Apply the rule and you have a night of 13 hours and a day of 11 hours. The rule can be found absolutely accurate in any season of the year.

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TOWN AND COUNTY.

The Raleigh Evening Visitor is 16 years old.

R. Will Johnson after a "spell" of sickness is able to be out again.

The next mayor has put on his Spring clothes.

There is much mad dog excitement in Iredell county.

R. A. Brown will build twelve brick houses for Odell & Son besides their factory.

Concord is not flooded with strawberries this year as it has been in the past.

The finishing touches are being put to R. F. Coble's new house on Church street.

We were misinformed as to the number chickens Jim Willeford took from his incubator. All but about 60 eggs hatched—they were roasted.

Mr. C. W. Swink is having splendid success with his dairy farm. While he can not equal Ed Erwin in quantity produces, gets 5 cents more per pound for butter.

The white sun bonnet and the "delightful mother hubbards" are seen in all parts of town. Of course the ones who don the "wraps" are not supposed to be seen.

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TOURIST PRINTERS ARE ON THE MOVE

Mr. W. G. Barringer, of Mt. Pleasant, has gotten his fine coat from Raleigh.

"The Dutch have taken Holland"—Charlotte Observer. That is more than the Scotch Irish of Charlotte did.

Mr. Jessie Hamilton took the initial degree of phytianism Friday night. He will be a big knight some day.

One of the convicts was brought in from the camp Friday evening and placed in jail. He is suffering with rheumatism and is considerably drawn.

Mr. Daniel Miller, a Cabarrus boy who has for several years been employed in the Machine shops at Lenoir, has accepted a position with D. P. Dayvaunt.

There is one man in town in desperate love with a lady, for whom he will not ask until her father either dies or gets rheumatism in both legs and can't move.

Sheriff Sims has been appointed, by the Concord Presbytery, in session at Morganton, a delegate to the General Assembly, which meets in Dallas, Texas, May 26.

It is said by many that the strawberry crop this year will be the largest in many years. The green berry is now as large as the ordinary garden strawberry when ripe.

Messrs. Frank and Eddy Morrison went down to the fisheries in Stanley. The rumor is that they got lots of snail, but their brother, Pink, says they didn't get anything but a rough ride.

The Brockmann Concert Company, of Greensboro, will be in Concord in June. The date is not yet arranged. It is said this company equals the best on the road. They are representatives of the Brockmann Music School of Greensboro.

Col. McCorkle this week, for the first time since his severe illness, walked through his yard and out to his office. He has also been able to take short buggy rides. He says he feels pretty well but is still weak. We hope he will very soon be as strong and vigorous as he ever was.—Newton Enterprise.

An honest old negro, wearing very ragged clothing and carrying a fine, large ham on his shoulder, was met one morning by some college boys in Oxford, Ga. "Hello, Uncle Ike!" said one of them; "if you can afford to buy such good victuals, why don't you get some new clothing?" "Ah, Mars John," he replied with a smile, "my back gib me credit, but my stomach deman' de cash."

Mr. Ed. H. Hall is home from a trip to South Carolina. He came direct from Columbia Friday and reports that Gov. John Gary Evans had his constables to seize a shipment of beer that had been sent into the State from Georgia. In this seizure the Governor of South Carolina defies Uncle Sam, and the proceedings that will follow are looked forward to with much interest by citizens in and out of that State.

Mr. G. Gaillouté, Druggist, at Beaufort, N. C., says: "To Dr. King's New Discovery I owe my life. Was taken with L. Grippe and tried all the physicians for miles about, but of no avail and was given up and told I could not live. Having Dr. King's New Discovery in my store I sent for a bottle for a bottle and began its use and from the first dose began to get better, and after using three bottles was up and about again. It is worth its weight in gold. We won't keep store or house without it. Get a free trial bottle at F. & Z. Druggist."

Want Barnhardt Removed. Bob Canady with several of the white co-operators have had issued petitions and circulated them over the town and county praying the county commissioners to take the management of the chain gang away from Mr. George F. Barnhardt or compel him to be more lenient with the convicts than he is.

All this discontent among this element of our people was brought about by some willful story going the rounds to the effect that Manager Barnhardt unmercifully beat a negro woman. It is to be hoped that Mr. Barnhardt will be retained, for a better officer and guard cannot be found.

What Will Be Done? Is Anything Being Done for Memorial Day May 10?—Let's Be At Work. It is time some steps were taken towards memorial day.

It is only two weeks hence and as yet we have heard of no programme being arranged.

Why not a mass meeting of the ladies and children be called and preparations for the decorations of the dead soldiers graves be made?

The name of Mr. B. F. Rogers, who was once of the junior reserves, has been suggested as speaker for the occasion, and no doubt, if a programme be arranged, he will gladly and willingly address the ladies by delivering the address.

Let something be done.

R. A. Henry, of Macon county, has run away with Miss Bryson, leaving a wife and four children. Says the Franklin Press.

Constable Robt. Sappenfield was about over the county Thursday. He had an eye skinned for Holland. He got as far as Mr. Bob Wallace's—that is Sappenfield did.

A negro at Waycross, Ga., had a narrow escape the other day. He was convicted of larceny and the judge inadvertently sentenced him to one year in the Georgia Legislature. But the sheriff discovered the mistake and took the man to the penitentiary.

Rev. J. D. Shirey, president of North Carolina College, Mt. Pleasant, N. C., will preach the commencement sermon at Union Institute on Sunday, March 12th. The address will be delivered on Friday, May 17th by Stowell J. Durham, Esq., of Dallas, N. C. As usual a good selection of preacher and speaker has been made for that popular school. Preparations are being made to have a good commencement.—Monroe Enquirer.

The watch that was owned by Engineer Lee, who was killed in a wreck on the western road some weeks ago, was brought to this city for repairs, by his brother. Both sides of the watch was mashed in, but the balance wheel was not injured, and the hands are in the same position as they were at the time of the wreck, 13 minutes after 11 o'clock. It has been decided not to repair it. It will be kept in its present condition as a relic.

A bashful country girl came into a certain grocery store the other day carrying some live chickens. The fowls had their feet tied together to prevent their escape and the young clerk is noted for his polite manners but he is not always grammatical, and he smilingly inquired: "Are you sure they will lay there?" "Oh n-no, sir," she stammered, blushing, "they are all roosters," and the clerk hasn't recovered yet. Now don't ask us who the clerk is.

Mr. Stafford Goodman came in and said the rats had made a discovery for the Standard's benefit. "They carried out my last receipt," said he, "and I find enough to remind me that my subscription expired April 7. So here, give me a new one for the rats." This reminds us that rats can put in some good work among those whose subscriptions have long since cut teeth and old enough to put on pants. Mr. Goodman's never got that way that he wouldn't be like the good old man he is.

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HIGHEST OF ALL IN LEAVING POWER.—LATEST U. S. GOV'T REPORT

R. L. Jones Shot J. C. Swearingen at Edgefield.—The Deceased Related to Tillman.

Charleston, S. C., April 24.—A special to the News and Courier from Edgefield, S. C., says: This morning at 9 o'clock, in the store of Hammond G. Company, at this place, B. L. Jones shot and killed John C. Swearingen.

About three months ago Jones indicted Swearingen for obstructing a public road that led through the former's place and Swearingen was tried and convicted at the last term of court of the offence. It seems that soon after the obstruction of the road the rails used in forming the obstruction were burned, and Swearingen claimed that Jones's son did the burning, while Jones alleged that Swearingen was the guilty party. This among other causes brought on bad blood between the parties.

A few days ago Swearingen caused the arrest of a negro and lodged him in jail, claiming that he could substantiate the charge against young Jones by the negro's testimony. Jones bailed the negro out. This morning Swearingen came to town to see about the matter, and as the testimony of the coroner's investigation discloses, on entering the store was asked by young Jones if he (Swearingen) had said he burnt the rails, and if he did, it was false. Other words passed between young Jones and the deceased, during which time Mr. B. L. Jones came in and told Swearingen if he desired to talk to any one to talk to him.

Swearingen threw his hands on his hip pockets, at which time both parties drew pistols and commenced firing. The witnesses could not say who shot first. Immediately after the firing Swearingen fell to the floor and died in twenty minutes. The ball that killed him entered at the upper margin of the right ear, penetrating the posterior portion of the brain. Jones was not hit. The verdict of the jury was in accordance with the above facts. Mr. Jones surrendered and is now in jail.

The parties were brothers-in-law, Jones having married Swearingen's sister. Swearingen was a brother-in-law of Senator Tillman and ex-Congressman Tillman. He had attained his 50th year and leaves a family.

HOLLAND IN JAIL.

He Gave Himself up Sunday Night.—The Charlotte Observer Issues an Extra.

Ex-Cashier Jas. R. Holland of the Merchants & Farmers Bank of Charlotte surrendered himself Sunday night about 9 o'clock. He has never been out of Charlotte, having been in hiding there. He voluntarily gave himself up. He says, and his story is believed, that he never intended to go, but only desired to get away from his family and others to compose himself. Had he wanted to go, under such a bungling affair towards arrest, he could have easily done so.

Now that it is known that he has never been out