### DARKLEY DISCHARGED

Commissioner Collier Holds That the Government Did Not Make Out a Case Against Him for Counterfeiting. Darkley Rearrested and Pat in Jail as a Witness Against A. J. Marshall

Theodore Darkley, the young Greek who was arrested on Monday on the charge of counterfeiting, being suspected of complicity in the Nick Politz counterfeiting case, was given a preliminary hearing before United States Commissioner S. P. Collier yesterday afternoon at 2 o'clock at the United States court room. United States District Attorney Claude Bernard represented the government and B. G. Empie, Esq., was attorney for the accused. There was a large crowd in attendance as spectators.

The first witness sworn was Mr. B. F. Perry, the government detective. He stated that Darkley was arrested on the charge of counterfeiting, owing to information which he received. He testified that he had been informed that Darkley knew something about the fied by law, which in this case is their Nick Politz counterfeiting case, but when seen he said he knew nothing about it. After Darkley had been arrested and put in jail he had an interview with him in jail and he then lows: told all he knew about the counterfeiting scheme of the New York Greek, Nicholas Cotsobelos, and Nicholas Politz. Mr. Perry then repeated the statement of Darkley as told in the latter's testimony at the trial of Politz on Wednesday. Mr. Perry took from his pocket and exhibited a half dollar counterfeit which he (Darkley) had passed on Mr. W. A. Farris, at the

Palace Bakery. On cross-examination by Mr. Empie, Mr. Perry stated in reply to a question by Mr. Empie that Darkley did not make any confession to him in the jail when he visited him. He also said Darkley did not say anything about his (Darkelys') being interested in any way in the Politz counterfeiting case.

Dr. Charles T. Harper was the next witness. He said he knew absolutely nothing about Darkley's connection with the counterfeiting which was carried on in the room opposite Dr. Harper's office, in the VonKampen building. To questions by Mr. Empie, he said he did not know that Darkley was ever in the room with the counterfeiters. He said he heard the accordeon that was played in the room where the counterfeiting was done, but he did not know that it was Darkley who was playing the instrument,

The next witness was Nicholas Politz. who was convicted on Wednesday and pentenced to six years at hard labor in the penitentiary. He was brought out of jail to testify. He testified that Darkley had nothing to do with the counterfeiting. On cross-examination by Mr. Empie, he stated that Darkley clerked in his store six months. He found him a good salesman, was attentive to his business and gave satisfaction. He testified to his good charhim on errands at times, and did eveverything required of him. He stated positively that Darkley had nothing to do with the counterfeiting, 'had no molds or cruicibles and circulated none of the counterfeit money.

Jailor Millis was called to the stand and testified to conversations he had in jail with Darkley. He stated that Darkley told him that the first he knew of the counterfeiting was when he went up into the room, and saw the operators through the crack of the door of the room where the counterfeiting was going on. Darkley had told him he heard a blowing noise and saw the New York Greek, Cotsobelos, and A. J. testified that Darkley told him about any information. He stated, however, your consideration. that Darkley told him he didn't see any mould and didn't see what kind ley) denied that he engaged in coun- under a conservative revision, may be

Mr. Empie demanded that his client be discharged on the testimony, as the government had not made out a case. District Attorney Bernard stated that he had one more witness that was very material. He said Mr. W. A. Farris had been summoned, but the commissioner hal told Mr. Farris to come to court at 3:30 o'clock, and it was the commissioner's fault that Mr. Ferris was not present to testify. A messenger was sent to Mr. Farris' store, but he was not there. Mr. Bernard wanted the case postponed till Mr. Farris could testify, but Mr. Empie contended that the government had had all the opportunity possible to make out its case, and he contended that his client should be discharged

Mr. Bernard contended that the government had produced enough evidence to bind over Darkley, but after hearing considerable argument on both sides, Commissioner Collier discharged Darkley, as there was not probable cause for binding him over to court. District Attorney Bernard asked the commissioner to require Darkley to give

bond for his appearance at the next term of the district court as a witness against A. J. Marshall.

Mr. Empie contended that the commissioner had no jurisdiction to bind over Darkley as a witness, as he had not been before him as a witness in the Marshall case. Mr. Bernard argued to the contrary, but Commissioner Collier held with Mr. Empie and discharged Darkley.

Later in the afternoon Judge Purnell sued a capias ad testificandum for Darkley and he was arrested by Deputy United States Marshal T. O. Bunting. He was committed to jail in default of \$1,000 bail, to appear as a witness at the trial of Mr. Marshall. Mr. Empie has been highly complimented for the vigorous manner in which he conducted his case, and the ability with which he met the issues in Commissioner Collier's court.

#### Relief Fund for Storm Sufferers Thomasville, N. C., June 14, 1899. To the Public:

A large arrear of country around Thomasville was devastated by last Thursday's hail storm. Many families are left entirely destitute, everything they had being destroyed, crops, gardens, chickens, fruits, grapes, and even the blackberries and persimmons.

These people will suffer if not speedily aided, and The Tribune calls upon the generous public to lend our striken fellow citizens all the aid they

Contributions may be sent to The Tribune, or to either of the gentlemen named below, whom The Tribune has taken the liberty to name as a relief committee: Rev. W. H. Rich, G. A. Thompson, J. M. Morris and W. E. Thompson, and all contributions will be duly acknowledged through the columns of The Tribune, and distributed among the sufferers. Send in your donations, and help a stricken

> THE WEEKLY TRIBUNE. Thomasville, N. .C.

# COMMISSIONERS WILL ACT.

POWERFUL PETITION AFTER EX-ORBITANT ASSESSMENT.

At Yesterday's Meeting the Commissioners Announced Their Intention of Remedying the Evil at Their Meets ing Next Month.

At a meeting of the county commissioners yesterday afternoon a petition from hosts of property owners was presented, protesting strongly and logically against the exorbitant assessment of property foisted on our people, and demanding in the name of justice and for the future prosperity of Wilmington a reduction of the assessment. In answer to the petition the board signified their purpose, and which, they said, had been their intention, of making an equitable reduction, but this they could not do until the time speciregular monthly meeting time the first Monday in July.

The petition as presented was as fol-

To the Commissioners of New Hanover | the evil. Coun'ty-Greetings:

The freeholders of Wilmington have suffered severely in past years from war and pestilence, from bad legislation, from corrupt municipal government and from other evils that tend to destroy confidence in the future of the city. They bore these trials with becoming fortitude in the hope of better

Under the new administration of county and city affairs many good citizens have been encouraged to invest their savings in homes, which they could beautify and call their own. Others have at much risk of depreciation increased the facilities of the port by large and costly improvements to plants which have no marketable value, but which depend solely upon the industry and business management of the projectors. Others have invested their capital in real estate which promised reasonable returns under a government of reputable citizens, in whom they trusted for a stable and economical administration. These property owners are now confronted by a condition which threatens their vital interests and which fills them with alarm. We allude to the unwarrantable and unjust reassessment of 'tax values by your board of assessors. In many instances real property which had already been assessed above its market value has been increased by this board of assessors 100 per cent.; in the other cases, we are told the increase is as great as 200 per cent. A feeling of astonishment, dismay and indignation is universal. All classes of our tax payers are moved to a degree which enacter and said he trusted him, sending dangers the confidence of our business men. They recognize the fact that Wilmington by this excessive assessment will pay more than its share of the state taxes. Many well known citizens, who are the bone and sinew of this community, are saying that if they could sell their property at anything like the tax assessment, nothing would tempt them to invest another dollar in

> Capital is proverbially timid and will shun such prejudice. The march of progress will be hindered by the "stand our advancement.

and that you will not entertain for a the Greek's catching him in the collar | moment the preposterous schedule of and threatening to kill him if he gave values which has been prepared for

therefore, solemnly protest We, against the re-assessment referred to, of money was being made. He (Dark- and pray that the values of last year,

Very respectfully. W. R. KENAN, W. W. ROBERTS, MRS. S. E. TOON, ROBERT S. COLLLINS, J. M. CHESNUTT. WILLIAM L. SMITH, M. J. CROBETT, J. G. L. GIESCHEN GEORGE S. LeGRAND, MRS. JOHN C. JAMES, W. A. DICK, W. R. BRICE, R. D. TUCKER, H. A. TUCKER & BRO., JAMES W. COLLINS, SOL. STERNBERGER D. D. CAMERON, THOMAS D. MEARES, JOHN HAAR, W. H. CHADBOURN, R. H. GRANT. CHARLES S. GRAINGER. J. V. GRAINGER, W. E. PERDEW. J. W. MURCHISON, JOHN S. ARMSTRONG. M. G. TIENKEN WILLIAM A. FRENCH, I. SHRIER, H. H. MUNSON, I. M. BEAR, GEORGE HONNET. HOLMES & WATTERS, HEIRS OF MRS. C. A. LORD, B. G. WORTH, THE WORTH CO., W. E. TOON. F. E. HASHAGEN, JAMES SPRUNT. MRS. T. F. WARD, T. E. SPRUNT. ALEX. SPRUNT & SON, CHAMPION COMPRESS CO., D. H. LIPITT, Agent, J. HICKS BUNTING. ANDREW SMITH, THE RHEINSTEIN CO., SEABOARD LINE, N. B. RANKIN, M. F. H. GOUVERNEUR, W. C. SMITH, GEO. R. FRENCH & SON, GEORGE R. FRENCH, WALKER TAYLOR, MUNSON & CO., FRANK H. STEDMAN, WM. E. SPRINGER & CO., V. E. ZOELLER, H. J. GERKEN. MRS. E. BISSENGER, ROBERT R. BELLAMY, R. F. WARREN, E. T. WADE, E. WARREN & SON, G. W. LINDER, H. A. BURR, WILMINGTON IRON WORKS WILLIAM POISSON, H. C. McQUEEN, MURCHISON & CO., CLAYTON GILES, Attorney, JOHN W. ATKINSON,

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Chairman Moore stated that he thought the people understood that individually the commissioners wanted the assessment reduced, and that they intended at the proper time to do all in their power to reduce it and remedy

He then made the following statement, in reply to the petition, to be inscribed on the records:

"The board regrets that it can do nothing to remedy the matter until the first Monday in July, but at that time it will have their earnest consideration and the board will do a! in its power to comply with the request of the petitioners as is consistent with its duty."

REVISED JURY LIST. At this meeting the revision of the jury list, which has consumed so much time this month, was completed, and the slips of paper bearing upon them the names of those liable to jury duty were placed in the box, from which the juries are drawn. The meeting took a recess subject to

the call of the chairman. A't yesterday's session only two of the commissioners, besides Chairman Moore, were present-Commissioners Barry and Alexander. Commissioner Holmes is sick and Commissioner Mc-Eachern was out of the city.

A Good A.Dollar as Uncle Sam's Some of the counterfeit silver dollars and halves which have been made here and put in circulation in and around Wilmington, are as good as Uncle Sam's stuff. That is to say, they are as good so far as the material goes but they are somewhat defective as to the milling and lettering. Mr. B. F. Perry, the secret agent of the treasury department, who has been working up the counterfeiting cases, sent to the treasury department the dollar which he secured last week from Mr. J. H. Hardin, of the Palace pharmacy. It will be remembered that The Messenger stated that Mr. Hardin sent a deposit to the National Bank of Wilmington last Wednesday and that one silver dollar was returned to him as spurious. The assay division of the treasury department and deliver" policy which threatens to assayed the counterfeit dollar, and sent throttle new industries so needful to Mr. Perry the analysis. It contained 900 parts of pure silver, the same We believe that the better judgment | quantity as the genuine dollar. The Marshall in the room. Mr. Millis also of your honorable body will prevail other hundredth part was alloy, and altogether the spurious dollar in intrinsic value stood up with the standard silver dollar.

To Be Sent to Washington Mr. B. F. Perry, the government detective who has been here looking after Wilmington's gang of counterfeiters, will today ship to the treasury department at Washington the nickle making outfit of Walter Silvy, who was convicted in the United States court last Saturday and sentenced to the penitentiary for one year and one day and fined \$100 and the costs. The outfit is billed to the treasury department as 800 five cent coins, four wooden and plaster of paris moulds, two ladles, one iron pot, one slug of block tin, and ten pieces of babbitt metal. These articles were captured

when Silvy's room was raided. It is a requirement of the treasury department that all counterfeiting outfits shall be forwarded to Washington, and the department in turn receipts to the agents for all counterfeit money, moulds and other material. All articles not preserved for the museum are destroyed and a record made of their destruction.

The counterfeiting outfit captured in Nicholas Politz's store will remain here till the cases in the connection are disposed of. Then the oufit will also be sent to Washington. The Silvy case was closed up with his conviction.

## Whist Party Last Night

Miss Mattie Strauss last night delightfully entertained a number of friends at a progressive party at the home of her mother on Fourth street, between Harnett and Swann. The evening was a most enjoyable one to all, and the refreshments served were delicious. Mrs. Hardy Rehder was awarded the first prize. Among those present was Miss Ort-

man, of Charleston, S. C.

## Arl Bryant Heturns

Ari Bryant, the colored butcher, who was so long a familiar figure around Front Street market, but who was "expatriated" on the 11th of November last, next day after the famous 10th of November, returend to Wilmington yesterday afternoon. He came in on the New Bern train. We learn that he has been living at Norfolk and has longed to get back to Wilmington.

When I say I cure I do not mean merely to stop them for a time and then have them return again. I mean a radical cure. I have made the disease of FITS, EPILEPSY or FALLING SICKNESS a life-long study. I warrant my remedy to cure the worst cases. & Because others have failed is no reason for not now receiving a cure. Send at once for a treatise and a Free Bottle of my infallible remedy. Give Express and Post Office. Prof. W.H. PEEKE, F.D., 4 Cedar St., M. E.

ORDINATION CEREMONY

Beautiful Service Last Night at the First Baptist Church

Last night at the First Baptist church Rev. Alonzo Tilden King, of this city, the youngest full graduate of the Theological Seminary, of Louisville, Ky., was ordained a minister of the Gospel in the presence of a large 8:30 o'clock, His Honor, Judge Purnell, gathering of people. The ordination presiding. prayer was made by Rev. F. H. Farchurch, and Rev. J. J. Payseur made the presentation of the Bible.

After the beautiful and impressive young divine delivered a sermon, which was of power and interest and held the close attention of the entire congre-The sermon was followed by the ordinance of baptism, and the charge to

the three candidates was ably delivered by the Rev. Calvin S. Blackwell, Ph. D., pastor of the church. The offering, which was quite a large one, will go to benefit the Old Ladies' Home.

### A WEEK FROM SUNDAY

Woodmen of the World Appoint a Date for the Unveiling of the Monument.

The ceremony attendant upon the unveiling of the monument erected in Oakdale cemetery by Live Oak Camp No. 6, Woodmen of the World, to the memory of their departed brother, the late S. H. Penny, will take place the 25th instant, which is a week from Sunday. All arrangements have about been made for the event, which will be an impressive and beautiful one, and conducted in strict accord with the ritual of the order. Besides the regular prescribed ceremony there will be a programme of excellent music. Another feature will be an oration delivered by B. G. Emple, Esq., of this

The committee appointed by the Council Commander of the Camp, ex-Mayor John J. Fowler, to arrange for the occasion is composed of Mr. Thomas R. Post, chairman, and Messrs. W. H. Howell, W. S. Holden, J. W. Carmichael and George C. Jackson. The exercises will commence about 3:30 o'clock in the afternoon.

### KNIGHTS OF TEMPLAR

Three Wilmingtonians Elected Office in the Grand Commandery

Charlotte, N. C., June 15 .- A special to The Observer from Asheville, N. C., says: The grand commandery, Knights Templar, today elected the following

Walter E. Storm, of Wilmington, grand commander. William F. Randolph, of Asheville, deputy grand commander. James D. Bullock, of Wilson, grand generalissimo.

D. E. Allen, of Charlotte, grand captain general. Alfred H. Stubbs, of Asheville, grand Horace H. Munson, of Wilmington,

grand recorder. Ferdinand Ulrich, of New Bern, grand standard bearer. U. M. Robinson, of Wilmington, grand

Lawrence D. Dodsworth, of Charlotte, grand warder. Robert H. Bradley, of Raleigh, grand John C. Drewry, of Raleigh, grand senior warder. James K. Norfleet, of Winston, grand

junior warder. The templar parade occurred this afternoon, led by the First regiment band. The next meeting of the grand bodies will be held in Charlotte.

Shot a Negro Who Shot Him

We learn that a shooting affray occurred Wednesday night about 8:30 o'clock at Rocky Mount between Mr. James A. Cutts, formerly of this city, and a negro named George Williams. Mr. Cutts is general yard master for the Atlantic Coast Line and the negro is employed by the railroad. Mr ..... took Williams off a run and put him at something else that he didn't like and some words were had between them out. About 8:30 o'clock Mr.Cutts while nothing more of it, but the negro made ponitentiary. His last term is for larthreats against him and some of his friends informed him to be on the look out. About 8:30 o'clock Mr. Cutts was passing by some freight cars at the depot, the negro was behind a car laying in wait for him, and when Mr. Cutts came by he fired a pistol at him, shooting Mr. Cutts in the knee. The negro then ran, but Mr. Cutts emptied his revolver at him and shot him in three places—through the hand, in the throat and in the lower part of the abdomen. It was beieved that Williams was mortally wounded, but it is stated that he was better yesterday.

Last fall I sprained my left hip while handling some heavy boxes. The docton I called on said at first it was a slight strain and would soon be well, but it grew worse and the doctor then and the druggist recommended me to try Chamberlain's Pain Balm. I tried it and one-half of a 50-cent bottle cured me entirely. I now recommend it to all my friends .- F. A. Babcock, Erie, Pa. It is for sale by R. R. Bellamy, Druggist.

Quiet Home Wedding

Mr. John W. Harper, Jr., and Miss Loula Idoma Elkins, both of Wilmington, were united in the holy bonds of matrimony on Wednesday evening at the home of the bride's parents, on Fifth and Hanover streets. The ceremony was performed by the Rev. B. W. Culbreth, pastor of Bladen Street M. E. church, in the presence of a large assemblage of friends. The maid of honor was Miss Loula Pickett and the best man was Mr. George H. Davis. The bride was beautifully attired in

white organdy and carried a bouquet After the ceremony, a reception was held from 9 till 11 o'clock. The bride and groom received many handsome

Mr. and Mrs. Harper left yesterday extensive northern trip.

Alabama Miners Strike

Birmingham, Ala., June 15.-About o miners of the Robinson Company of 12½ cents a car increase was refus-ed. On the sand more will strike toTHE U. S. COURT

The Admiratty Docket Called Yester. day-Alex McCallum's Case for \$2,500 Against the British Steamship Anaces on Trial

Pursuant to adjournment Wednesday afternoon, the United States District court met yesterday morning at

After disposing of some minor cases, rington, pastor of South Side Baptist Judge Purnell had stricken out the judgment in the case of Tom Mitchell, who was convicted of retailing liquor ordination ceremony the talented without license. Prayer for judgment was then continued and the defendant was recognized till the next term.

The admiralty docket was called, and the court took up for trial the case of Alex McCallum, colored, against the British steamship Aanaces.

McCallum is a stevedore, and nearly two years while at work loading cotton in the hold of the steamship, bale of cotton that was being hoisted into the ship fell on him and mashed him severely, breaking three ribs and otherwise injuring him. He retained Iredell Meares, Esq., as his counsel and libeled the ship for \$2,500 damages, alleging that he received his injuries by reason of the neglect of an incompetent man who was operating the vessel's winch. The case came on for a hearing at the suring (1898) term of the dictrict court, but Judge Purnell decided against the libellant on a demurer of the defendant to the jurisdiction and to the facts alleged in the libel, holding that he had no jurisdiction, and if he had, the facts as alleged were not sufficient to entitle the plaintiff to recover. Mr. Meares carried the case on appeal up to the United States the lower court was reversed and the case remanded for trial.

The case now comes up for trial on its merits. Mr. Meares representing the libeliaants and Colonel Thos. S. Evans, the Hon. George Rountree and Junius Davis, Esq., the respondents. Mc-Callum and several witnesses were examined and they testified as to the facts of the accident to McCallum and as to the incompetence and carelessness of the winchman. Dr. A. H. Hartestified that in their opinion, the libellant had received permanent injuries. Dr. Thos. S. Burbank was examined as a witness for the respondent. He testified that he had made no examination. He testified as an ex- frage amendment. He says that "whatpert judging from the testimony, that ever you may do in your legislature, it was his opinion that McCallum's injuries were not permanent.

With the trial progressing, the court at 2 p. m. took a recess till 8:30 o'clock this morning.

Would Not Zuffer So Again for Fifty

Times Its Price. I awoke last night with severe pains in my stomach. I never felt so badly in all my life. When I came down to work this morning I felt so weak I are complaning of the small price recould hardly work. I went to Miller William Simpson, of Raleigh, grand & McCurdy's drug store and they recommended Chamberlain's Colic, Cholera and Diarrhoea Remedy. It worked like magic and one dose fixed me all right. It certainly is the finest thing I ever used for stomach trouble. I shall This is an important industry among not be without it in my home here- the farmers of the east, and having inafter, for I should not care to endure | vested much money in preparing for it, the sufferings of last night again for they cannot abandon the crop if it is fity times its price.-G. H. Wilson, Liveryman, Burgettstown, Washington Herald. Co., Pa. This remedy is for sale by R. R. Bellamy, Druggist.

A Convict Counterfeiter

Mr. L. R. Tillery, superintendent of the state farm in Northampton county, on the Roanoke river, a few days ago came here and brought to Mr. B. F. Perry, the secret agent of the treasury department, who has been in our city working up the counterfeiting cases, two counterfeit coins made by one of the convicts on the farm.

The coins were a half dollar and a quarter and were good imitations of Uncle Sam's money. They were made by a white convict named Blackman who is serving his second term in the

Mr. Perry on yesterday received telegram from the treasury departsent to the penitentiary farm to make an investigation. It is not known to what extent Blackman has carried on his counterfeiting business.

Fire at the Cape Fear Lumber Company's Plant

At 9:54 o'clock last night fire caused as the dust house. This is a large two for the same thing without exception to grow worse and I could hardly get density of the smoke the firemen ex- | yet when he found an opposition foraround to work. I went to a drug store perienced great difficulty in getting at the blaze. However, the fire didn't amount to much, only accomplishing damage to the amount of \$25. Of course, when the fire broke out the mill necessarlly shut down.

Fifth and Nixon streets.

Thought He was About to Die There was quite a lively disturbance at the jail yesterday afternoon. A white man, John Horne, a United States prisoner from Robeson county, was taken slightly sick, and became exceed-

ingly nervous. He imagined he was

about to die and yelled lustly until a

was all right.

Annual Meeting of Canoe Club The annual meeting of the Carolina

Canoe Club will take place this afternoon at 1 o'clock at the office of Mr. R. N. Sweet. Officers will be elected and other matters transacted.

The club this season proposes to have a series of fine races, to be inauguraed with a big one the Fourth.

Raleigh News and Observer: Superintendent John E. Ray was unanimously re-elected superintendent of the deaf, dumb and blind institution. C. N. Williams, colored, supervisor of the colored department.—The Concord Cotton Seed Oil Company was yesof state, with a capital stock of \$30,000, divided into shares of \$100 each. Masons at Asheville

(Raleigh News and Observer.) Asheville, N. C., June 14 .- The annual convention of Grand Royal Arch Chapter of North Carolina in session here elected the following officers to-

William F. Randolph, of Asheville, grand high priest.

James D. Bullock, of Wilson, deputy grand high priest. John C. Dewry, of Raleigh, grand

James K. Norflett, of Winston, grand William Simpson, of Raleigh, grand Horace H. Munson, of Wilmington, grand secretary. Rev. A. H. Stubbs, of Asheville, grand chaplain

Dewitt E. Allen, of Charlotte, grand captain of host. Evander A. Toomer, of Wilmington, principal sojourner. Isadore Lichtenstein, of Salisbury, royal arch captain. William J. Boykin, of Wilson, master master 3rd.

William J. Gudger, of Marshall, master 2nd vail. William L. Hensley, of Bald Creek, master one vail. Robert H. Bradley, of Raleigh, grand

A Card of Thanks.

I wish to say that I feel under lasting obligations for what Chamberlain's Cough Remedy has done for our famfly. We have used it in so many cases of coughs, lung troubles and whooping cough, and it has always given the most perfect satisfaction, we feel greatly indebted to the manufacturers of this remedy and wish them to please accept our hearty thanks.-Respectfulcourt of appeals at Richmond, Va., and ly, Mrs. S. Doty, Des Moines, Iowa. For sale by R. R. Bellamy, Druggist,

#### STATE PRESS

A preacher is none the worse for having always been a gentleman, says Charity and Children. This is true, but it does not help him to draw a crowd in these times. After a man is converted, it would seem that he would riss, Dr. J. H. Alston, colored, and Dr. be ashamed of of his past meaness, but L. R. Mask, colored, were examined as such is not the case, and these modern witnesses for the libellant, and they evangelists consider it a virtue to paint their past records as black as possible

-Thomasville Charity and Children. We take it that Dr. Kilgo does not take much stock in the proposed sufand however you may dispose of this problem politically, it will not be settled by any such process." Entertaining this view, it seems to us the Dr. should have gone on and given his remedy for the disease, if it was worth while at all to discuss the question before the student body.-Winston Sen-

The strawberry raisers in the east ceived for the crop and the profits made by the middle man. These middle men never lose, and if there is a loss it falls on the producer, and in one case mentioned the farmer received for his berries only a third of the price paid for the berries on the market. possible to make it pay.—Durham

The colored people are the greatest preaching people in the world. They have preaching nearly every night and seldom ever leave the church before midnight. The present pastor of the Snow Hill congregation has introduced a new feature to interest his flock and hold them in the church to a late hour. He calls it the "newspaper." After the preaching every one is asked to hand in on a slip an item of news. These are then read by the preacher. It is said that some of the items are of a racy character. As the "newspaper" grows in interest, the meetings expand and the sun climbs higher and higher in the heavens, day by day before the cooks and others reach their places of employment.—Newton Enterprise.

There never was a more well defined clearer cut issue fought to a finish in a political party in America than ceny. He is a blacksmith by trade that of free silver in the ranks of demand he made the spurious coins in the ocracy in 1896, and never in the history blacksmith shop on the penitentiary of this country was there a revolt so formadible as that following the adoption of the platform and the naming of the democratic candidates by the ment saying that an agent would be Chicago convention that year. If a man ever had provocation for becoming intolerant Bryan was the individual when he saw nearly if not quite a majority of the larger and more influential newspapers of the south turn against him. It is true that there were pronouncements in the Chicago platf.-m that were new to the south, but by spontaneous combustion, broke out free silver was not one of them. Evat the plant of the Cape Fear Lamber ery state platform in the southern Company, at Hilton, in what is known states for perhaps a decade had declared story building, where shavings and so far as our memory goes. Bryan had the like are dried, and owing to the a right to expect a solid support here, midable in numbers and strong in its personnel, we do not now recall a single instance, during the whole of that most remarkable canvass in the political annuals of this or any other country when Bryan applied epithets or resort-The alarm was sounded from box 17, ed to abuse in facing his opposition.-Asheville Citizen.

Asheville Citizen: A painful accident befell J. Walter Currier, day clerk at the Swannanoa, two evenings since. While taking a spin on his bicyclehe ran over a bit of crooked stick on Patton avenue just opposite the entrance to the Battery Park grounds. The front wheel twisted and the machine made a buck jump, throwing Mr. Currier several feet, splitting his nethphysician arrived and assured him he er lip and bruising his right side se-

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