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on the island, but outside of these fatal-

ities no further loss of life is known to

At Vicksburg the river is rising at

the rate of four-tenths of a foot daily.

The swift volume of water pouring out

of the Yazoo into the Mississippi at a

rising in the flooded part of the

have occurred.

PRICE 5 CENTS.

TELEGRAPHIC SUMMARY.

THE STATE.

The mother of Senator Hanna dies a Asheville-Lehigh defeats Wake Forest at base ball-There is difference of ion as to the construction of the act of the last legislature prohibiting higher fire insurance rates on certain property than those charged in Virginia, the rate along the border counties being different from that in the balance of the state-Judge Adams dicides the insane asylum cases in favor of the old boards; he also decides that acceptance of position of superintendent of the penitentiary by John R. Smith worked a vacancy in the board of the Goldsboro insane asylum-In the apportionment by the secretary of the navy of the \$50,000 appropriation for the naval reserves North Carolina gets \$1,138 and South Carolina \$1,814-The new board of directors of the North Carolina railroad met at Greensboro yesterday and elected Dr. Norment president pro tem, and adjourned to June 6th; the old to death's door. Last evening Aflen secretary had locked the office and gonc engaged a rig from a liveryman here. away; the board met in a hotel-A He then went to the barracks of the textile company at Rockingham has been Ninth Infantry and got Mrs. Wilber incorporated by the secretary of state. DOMESTIC.

The republican sub-committee on committees of the senate accepts proposition of the democrats and will report it favorably to the republican caucus on tween 3 and 5 o'clock this morning they Monday; it is not thought it will be ac- were coming along the road leading cepted-A big swindle in the affairs of from this village to Brownville, when the Bennett & Columbia Mills-Corporaearthed-Near Fayetteville, Ark., two ed from the roadside and began firing tions, of New Bedford, Mass., is unbrothers named Herson, aged 9 and 15 at the three occupants of the carriage. years commit suicide because their par- All, three were hit by the bullets. The ents would not allow them to go to town. horses became frightened and ran back -The fourth assistant postmasters yes- to the stable in the rear of the Everterday appointed 127 fourth-class post- leigh house. One of the women was masters-Judge Day is expected in between the dash board and the wheel Washington city today, whence he will with her head hanging nearly on the sail for Cuba about May 1st .-- The boiler ground, the other was lying on her of a locomotive on the Richmond Fredericksburg and Potomac railroad explodes-All the members in the Kentucky legislature voted for senator vesterday. Hunter being in two votes of election; the Blackburn men want to adjourn be-fore Hunter withdraws: they hope he will be indicted, then he could not withdraw under a cloud; the grand jury is expected to make a report today—Near Sackets Harbor, N. Y., while a man named Allen and the same and Miss and two women, Mrs. Crouch and Miss Daly are out riding, are shot, the females being killed and Allen desperately wound-cd; Allen says Crouch did the shooting— At Somersworth two men enter the Na-tional bank, kill the cashier and rob the berged to crawl to the kitchen door of the source but on his series but on his series and there The indictment against the Danniless for iolating the neutrality laws is dismissed. the judge also refused to grant a certi-ficate of probable cause in the indictment. for yiolating the navigation laws, tried the day before—At Charleston, S. C., constables seize ninety-eight cases the constables seize minety-eight clases of fine liquors consigned to John C. Simonds; he and others had clubbed to-gether and purchased it for private use from a San Francisco house—Major Sanger, of the inspector general's office re furns to Washington from his tour of in- women and Crouch was brought to the renet in he gives an account of his work and will later make a full report in writing Advices from Natchez and other points below Vicksburg indicate that the su-preme test on the flood situation is at hand; at Natchez the water is at the top of the levee and for many miles the levees are considered in precaribus condi-tion, the water still rising and in some places washing over the levees; every available man and boy is at work strength-ening them—Above Memphis the situa-tion is beginning to improve—The Southern Building and Loan Association of Knoxville. Tenn., is again in the hands of receivers-A negro was hanged at Louisville, Ga., for the murder of two other negroes—Shaw who wrecked the Southern railroad train at Stone Creek, Ga., has been convicted. FOREIGN. The rebellion in the Philipine islands is about quelled—Padaras, the naturalized American, imprisoned in Mitylene since February, on charge of murder has been released by the Turkish governmentfrom Cuba—There was heavy cannon-ading in the direction of Kalyves, Crete, all day Thursday: typhus fever and small pox are raging in Hierapetra—Chief Broofas, the leader of the Macedonian revolt last year, and who was supposed to be dead, re-appears and organizes a re-bellion—Fighting continues between Turks and Greek irregulars; the latter are under command of officers of the regular Greek army—At Greek army headquarters, every one declares that an outbreak of war is inevitable-The French foreign minister answers some questions regarding the effect upon the friendly relations of the two nations of the proposed clauses in the Dingley bill placing high duties on French products. —Mr. Gladstone writes a caustic letter regarding England's humiliation before "two young despots of Germany and

A MYSTERIOUS MURDER.

TWO WOMEN KILLED WHILE OUT RIDING WITH A YOUNG MAN.

The Horses Rush Back to the Livery Stable With the Lifeless Bodies in the Vehicle - Their Companion, Severely Wounded, Follows Them on Foot, Later He Charges the Husband of One of the Women With the Murders-The Hue band Protests His Innocense Watertown, N. Y., April 16 .- A special to The Standard from Sackets Harbor, ten miles from this city, says: One of the most horrible crimes even committed in this village was perpetrated in the early hours this morning but by whom is not known. Mrs. Wilber Crouch and Miss May Daly lost their lives, and George Allen is close

Crouch and Miss May Daly, two domestics employed by Lieutenant Anderson. They drove about the village and surrounding country near the city. Be-

according to Allen's story, Crouch leapside. The clothing of both was badly torn. The dress of one of the women was burned along the arm as also was her flesh, which makes it conclusive that the firing was done at short range. causing the clothing to become ignited. In the rig was found a six chamber revolver with four loaded cartridges and two empty chambers. The revol-

ver is the property of Allen. According to Allen's story, he was of the quarters, but on his arrival there was unable to speak. Crouch was arrested and placed un-

der close suveillance. A knife was found in his pocket but no blood stains were on it, nor * was there anything about his action, to point toward his

Different Constructions Placed on the Ac of Legislature Requiring Conformity to the Rates in Force in Virginia. (Special to The Messenger.)

Raleigh, N. C., April 16 .- Some important insurance news was secured at the office of secretary of state. The matter grew out of the act of the last legislature: "That all fire insurance companies in North Carolina and doing business in this state shall not charge a higher rate on farm property than is charged in Virginia."

QUESTION OF INSURANCE RATES

This was the bill introduced by Mr. Cunningham, of Person. The secretary said it meant the rate charged in counties along the southern border of Virginia: that he and Mr. Cunningham had talked over the matter, but that the Southeastern Tariff Association proposed to take as a standard the minimum Virginia rate in Virgina, which no companies will write in this kinds of rumors have been current tostate; whereas, if it took the maximum rate, which prevails along the border

counties, companies would write. Yet this maximum rate is one-third less than the rate in North Carolina. The secretary said Press int Primose of the North Carolina Home Insurance Company had conferred with him and proposed to do this husiness, irrespective of tariff associations. President Primrose was interview. He said:

point twelve miles north of Vicksburg "The act was intended to charge no will continue for 'several days. The higher rate on such property than is levees between Bedford Store, four miles south of Delta, La., to Duckport, charged in Virginia in border counties. six miles above, are in a precarious The rates in North Carolina have been condition tonight and every man and -on frame shingle roof dwellings 11/2 boy available is at work strengthening the embankment. At some points in per cent. and on barns and stables 2 this stretch of levee, the water is per cent., while in the border Virginia washing over and the greatest alarm is coun les the rates are 1 per cent. and felt. A more cheerful feeling exists in 1% per cent. respectively. The tariff the delta tonight. At Greenville, the back water from association has as yet only sent out cir-Stop's Landing crevasse, which has culars asking information and consid-

eration. Today after a careful considtown during the last three days, is staionary and will begin to fall tomorrow. eration of the new act, in which I am Rosedale, Friar's Point, Helena and supported by legal opinion, by the secother places report an encouraging imretary of state and verbally by the atprovement in the situation. The river leclined one-tenth of a foot at Green torney general. I have advised the tarville today and the fall of two-tenths riff association to lower the rate on of a foot reported at Cairo gives hope farm property to correspond with those that the water will recede in time to make a good crop. along the Virginia border. It is thought At Memphis, the river is stationary this will be immediately done. I have Captain McCoy, of the steamer Bluff, ordered our agents to lower the rates

arrived in port from St. Louis and o conform' as above stated." brings a very encouraging account of the improvement in the condition of the overflowed territory above Mem-

THE INSANE ASYLUM CASES. phis. He says that the waters have receded sufficiently to allow steamboats

udge Adams Decides in Favor of the old o land at all places. There is a marked Boards-He Decides J. R. Smith no improvement, and the outlook on the upper river cheerful Longer a, Director of the Goldsboro Washington, April 16 .- Major Sanger, Asylum. (Special to The Messenger.) arrived in Washington this morning. being the first of the officers sent out by Secretary Alger to the flooded dis-Raleigh, N. C., April 16 .- The follow ing is the text of the decision of Judge tricts to return to this city. He is pre Adams in the insane hospital cases. paring a written report of his opera-"This cause coming on to be heard tions but meanwhile he explained verbally to the president and Secretary pon an agreed statement of facts and Alger just what had been done by hir omplaint and answer, and the court under his instructions to ascertain the being of the opinion against the right condition of the flood sufferers and arrange for their relief. of the relators or any of them to re-Chartering a steambot at Memphis cover, and so holding, it is thereupon with the best captain that could be considered and adjudged that this acfound, a man who, the major said, was of the greatest help and willing to go tion be dismissed and the defendants go anywhere to relieve distress, he took without day and recover their costs, aboard two weeks supplies of a charto be taxed by the clerk." acter suggested by the Memphis committee, and started down the river, ac-Below the judgment Loge Harris companied by Colonel Rogers, chair wrote a notice of appeal to the supreme man of the Arkansas levee board, who court, which is granted. was thoroughly familiar with the country to be visited. It was found that the Judge Adams adjudges, in the case Memphis people had already establishof the eastern hospital, that John R. ed stations for the relief of the refu-Smith, in accepting the office of sugees in many places throughout the St. Francis district, in addition to the perintendent of the penitentiary, has big camp they had pitched in west Memphis. All of these were visited and vacated the office of trustee or director of the state insane asylum near Goldsin addition, Major Sanger established station's at other points where they boro.

THE SUPREME TEST MURDER AND ROBBERY. Cashier of a Bank Killed at His Desk and All the Cash Taken by Two Men, Who,

IN LOWER MISSISSIPPI FLOOD Escape. SITUATION AT HAND. Somersworth, N. H., April 16 .- While resisting the entry of two desperate and

determined robbers and during a futile Water at Top of Levees and Still Rising. struggle to protect \$150,000 or more in Beating Against the Embankments With money and securities in the compartments Great Force, and in Some Places Pourof the open vault of the Great Falls Naing Over Them-The Levees .in Precaritional bank, of Somersworth, this afterous Condition for Miles-Major Sanger, noon; Cashier Joseph A. Stickney was of the Inspector General's Office, Gives murdered near the desk which he had an Account of His Tour of Inspection. occupied for years. After killing Stick-Memphis, April 16 .- Advices from ney, the murderers ransacked the vault Natchez and other points below Vicksand fled with all the cash it contained, ourg, indicate that the supreme test with the exception of a 5 gold piece. As in the flood situation is at hand. The near as can be estimated, about \$6,000 was taken, but it is possible that the loss may swift current, which is rising steadily, considerably exceed this sum, as no one is beating against the levees with such but the dead cashier knew the exact force as to cause the gravest appreamount that was in the institution at that time. The robbers after knocking Stick-ney down with a black jack, cut his throat. The most remarkable feature of nension at many places. At Natchez the river is near the top of the leve and everything possible is being done to fight back the rising waters. All

the robbery is the fact that \$100,000 in bonds of the United States, which were kept in one of the drawers of the big vault and which the robbers examined years been a volunter hastily, were not taken. Neither was any and was 26 years old. day regarding wholesale loss of life on of the negotiable paper and securities of the bank—in fact nothing is missing ex-cept the cash. Davis' island, but diligent telegraphic inquiry fails to confirm the story. It is No one was aware that there was any. known that three negroes weredrowned

No one was aware that there was any-thing wrong at the bank until nearly 2 o'clock, or an hour after the murderous work was done. The perpetrators had ampie time to escape. This evening scores state proxy of the Atlantic and North Carolina railway. He was not enjoined 'by the court from accepting this resignation but from appointing a state

of deputy sheriffs, marshals, police and citizens are scouring this section of the state and Maine, which from this city is just across the Salmon Falls river. The proxy. He says, however, that if he wishes to appoint one he will do so. men made their visit to the bank at the busiest time of the day in the locality The private secretary remarked that where the bank is situated and so com-pletely and thoroughly did they accom-plish the robbery that only an uncertain only two democrats had resigned, Mr. Dortch and Adjutant General Cameron, clue and a very meagre description of them was obtainable. Had the robbers been apprehended soon after the murder their resignations having been received January 13th Dr. R. M. Norment, of Lumberton, and robbery became public, it would have been difficult to prevent a double lynch-ing in the Granite state. The murdered was here today on his way to Greensboro to preside at the meeting of the

man, in addition to his position as cashier new directors of that road, which began and director of the Great Falls bank, was at noon. He is the new president of the its treasurer. oad. It had always been customary for Cashier Stickney and the bank clerk, Mrs. Congressman Linney was here today

Parker Swazey, to close the bank at 12 o'clock and not re-open it until 2 o'clock. Today Mrs. Swazey left her desk at noon. to see Governor Russell in regard to a pardon. He says the outlook for offices is "mighty poor," unless the civil ser-The cashier, however, remained looking over the bank's accounts, and it is vice is modified or abolished and that the chance of this being done is very thought he was preparing to go out when the robbers entered. slim indeed. He says that some dem-It is not known exactly what time the ocrats have promised their assistance for modification or repeal.

bank was entered, but it was evidently between 1 and 1:15 o'clock, as two men, strangers, were seen going up the hill not very far from the bank at 1:20 o'clock. Governor Russell appoints the following delegates to the southern insur-Mr. Frank B. Reed, a local merchant, was the first to discover the crime. He went up the stair case of the bank buildance convention' at Southern Pines. April 28th: E. B. Springs, A. W. Mc-Alister, Pulaki Cowper, Orren Wiling at 2 o'clock and found the tick plate glass in the hall door of the bank comliams, D. L. Gore, J. S. C. Carpenter, pletely shattered. He was considerably alarmed, and without waiting to investi-gate he hurried from the building and notified City Marshal Eaton. The latter responded at once. They broke in the door and then found evidences of a des-parate struggle On the foor in a great R. W. Rogers, R. L. Burkhead, S. L. boor and then found evidences of a des-perate struggle. On the floor in a great pool of blood was the lifeless body of Stickney. His head had been nearly sev-ered from the body, the robbers having cut his throat. The head was marked Borden, Cyrus Thompson, J. W. Tufts, H. S. Chadwick, D. A. Tompkins, A. G.

ssued until June.

I want you to take a look at our Rib Ricaud, R. C. Strong, W. H. Dav, R. B. oon. Special sales this week. Baby Ribbon for 1½c per yard. No. 2, all Silk, all colors, at 3c: 1 Raney, D. Y. Cooper, Thomas Griffith, James Southgate, A. D. Cowles, C. H. Belvin, B. S. Jerman, G. C. McGilvray, No.

NEGRO DECAPITATED IN THE

SUBURBS OF RALEIGH.

The Governor Accepts the Resignation of

W. T. Dortch, State Proxy of the A. &

N. C. Raifroad-Congressman Linney De-

clares Outlook for Offices "Mighty Poor.'

The Governor Appoints Delegates to the

Messenger Bureau, 'Park Hotel.

Last night a train ran over William

Manly, colored, in the suburbs of this

city and completely severed his head

from his body. He was drunk and a

quart bottle of whiskey was found near

his body. He must have been lying

down, with his neck on the rail. It

was a train on the Southern railway

which struck him. He had for several

years been a volunteer fireman here

Governor Russell today accepted the

resignation of William T. Dortch as

Raleigh, N. C., April 16.

Against the Seaboard Air Line.

Southern Insurance Convention - Suit

KILLED BY A TRAIN. SOME OTHER YEAR

> A BUNCH OF FLOWERS, A BOW OF RIBBON, A TASTY ARRANGEMENT OF ONE THING OR ANOTHER AND A HIGH PRICE USED TO BE MILLIN-ERY, BUT NOT THIS YEAR. IT TAKES AN ARTIST TO PRODUCE THE CORRECT THING THIS SEASON, THAT'S WHY YOU MUST BE CAREFUL. IF YOU GET YOUR NEW HAT HERE, IT IS RIGHT, WE ARE ARTISTS IN MILLINERY.

OUR SPECIAL BARGAINS IN SPRING MILLINERY

IN UNTRIMMED HATS WILL BE LADIES', MISSES and CHILDREN'S STRAW HATS IN CHIP AND FANCY STRAWS, MILAN, LACE AND STRAW BRAID IN HIGH AND BELL CROWNS, IN TURBANS AND LARGE SHAPES AND A NEW LOT OF SAILORS JUST RECEIVED. FOR HAT TRIMMINGS YOU WILL FIND A LARGE DISPLAY OF FLOWERS, FANCY CROWNS, ORNAMENTS, VELVETS, SILKS, SATINS, CHIFFONS AND RIBBONS. JUST RECEIVED A NEW LOT OF PATTERN HATS.

Taylor's Bazaar, 118 MARKET STREET.



Our Millinery Department has been Geraniums in all colors are the fad of rushed for the past week. We employ 4 fashion in all the large cities. We have regular Milliners and 4 Salesladies in this one department, and this week we expect with Flowers and plenty of Foliage for the the past when the the the theorem. one department, and this week we expect to reach the largest sales in this depart-ment we ever had before. We have had 150 Hats trimmed in nice Straw, Flowers and Lace and Chiffon to make something special, for 50c each, ready trimmed, also 200 Trimmed Häts for 75c and a large lot for \$1.00. Our Fine Trimmed Hats for \$1.25, \$1.50, \$1.75 and \$2.00 are the newest and best goods. Our stock comprises, all complete the season. With Flowers and plend, the first styles with Flowers and plend, the season. With Flowers and plend, the first styles with Flowers and plend, the season. With Flowers and plend, the first styles of the season. With Flowers and plend, the season state plend, the first styles of the season. State state plend, the season state plend the season s

nd Lave special, for 50c each, teach 200 Trimmed Hâts for 75c and a large 10-for \$1.00. Our Fine Trimmed Hats for \$1.25, \$1.50, \$1.75 and \$2.00 are the newest and best goods. Our stock comprises, all the finest and nicest goods of the season. Our fine beautiful Hats, nicely trimmed for \$2.25 up to \$6.50 are the grandest selec-Hats are of all grades. Aay Sailors in White and Black for \$c, Sailors in White and Black for \$c, May Sailors in White and Black for \$c, Sailors in White and Black for \$c, May Sailor

Lilac, Red, Cream, Legnorn, Green and Blue; 8 inches long for 75c and 50c. colors, and Valencienne Laces, both White We have Slik Laces, Chiffon Laces, all colors, and Valenciene Laces, both White and Cream. Linen Torchon, ½ inch wide, very pretty, for 5c; 1 inch wide for 10c; finer up to 25c ner yard Our special line of fine White Chip Edge Shapes for 69c are the newest For this week 1,000 Hats that sold last finer up to 25c per yard. season from 25c to \$1.00, put on separate tables to close at 10c each.

Silks.

SILK FOR SHIRT WAISTS-Special China Wash Silk for 25c per yard in Stripes and Solids, 32 inches wide, in Black Ground, with light Green Stripe, all best Silk, 35c per yard; Changeable Silk in Red Ground and Changeable Green, for Soc. 36 inches wide; Black China, 24 inches wide, for 35c; one piece of Lilac, 30 inches wide, 35c, changeable in several colors, 30c. Black Silk and Black Satin all grades. If you need these goods come and see our selection of Dress Goods come and see our Dresses. All the new things of the sea-son; 100 styles of new Percales from 5c to 121/2c.

Alboan for 12c per yald. all Silk, all colors, at 3c; No. 3, for 5, for 5c; No. 7, for 7c; No. 9, for Cannon Cloth, 4-4 wide, for 8c per yard. Linen for Ladies' Shirts for 12%c and 15c per yard: Shirt Walst Linen 10c. Tabl Bleached, 60 inches wide, for 25c Linen, per yard Gent's Percale Shirts. Ladies' and Gent's Spring Underwear. Men's and Boy's fine Easter Suits cheap. If you need a Suit of Clothes, a pair of Pants, fine Shirts, pretty Neck Ties, Handkerchiefs and Collars come to see the best selection, the largest stock and the lowest prices.

A Reply to Somebody. Faison, N. C., April 15.

Editors Messenger: To a negro up a tree your conclusions drawn from Mr. Hoffman's new

book entitled "Race Traits and Tendencies," are highly amusing. For some years I have noticed an article now and then by different paties upon the inevitable and final demise from the face of the earth the last of the negro race. How amusing! The negro believes there is a God and if he wills

then indeed will the negro disappear. Statistics are made to order and are often misleading. For the benefit of these philosophers I respectfully refer them to Africa. If the negro is so apt to be extinguished why pray tell me

that in the last 4,000 years there is not some appreciable show of it in Africa. If the negro in his heathen state in Africa increases as fast as the hare of the sage brush, why will they so soon

be extinguished in their civilized state? You make much of the fact that negroes go to the towns to live in greater numbers since the war than they did before. Don't , you know that they could not go there unless carried by their owners? I don't see how as simple a thing as that should puzzle you. There will be some negroes here when Gabriel toots his trumpet

A thousand years after Hoffman is dead there will be negroes to laugh over his folly. We regret exceedingly that ence, here is distasteful, but can we help it? Being to the mannor born, do you expect us to leave for some un-known land? Not much. Here is

where we first saw light. God being with us we aim to see our last noonday sun on these shores. We do all we can to make our presence acceptable. Some would even turn white if possible. Do you blame a man for the 4,000,000. accident of being born black-a thing over which he had little control? I

hope not What is left but to adjust ourselves to the conditions of the world as we found it. None of us made it nor was it made for any of our especial benefit. The people generally are satisfied. I see no good whatever in the agitation is a citizen by the laws of God and man; treat him as such and as the lamented Grady said, "When the clock of time strikes its tranquil hours the watchman on the walls will cry, all is S. M. HILL. well, all is well."

"avetteville Sees the "Air Ship."

Jefferson county fail in this city for safe-keeping. When he arrived here this evening he appeared cool and collected and said, laughing: "Well, sheriff, they have brought me to you but I guess I won't be with you long." He appears to be confident his innocence will soon be established. Allen, the man who was with the women, reached the mess hall at 4:30 o'clock in the morning, when he fainted, but not before saying: "Get the women out of the creek." He was taken to the hospital, wet from head to foot and showing signs of having been in the water. For some time it was impossible to get any statement from him. Stimulants

were given and as soon as he was aroused the following statment was

given, but only in answer to questions, saying that it hurt his throat: 'Crouch did it. It was done by the creek. Crouch grasped the reins of the right horse and I leaned out of the rig. It was a one seated top buggy. I was struck by a lash and then shot. I tried to get out my revolver, but before I could do so I was shot again. In getting out my revolver I accidentally shot myself in the throat. The women were shot and fell on top of me." Allen was asked how many times he was shot and would hold up his hand with fingers outstretched, meaning that five bullets had pierced his body. After the shooting occurred Allen says he was driven a long distance by Crouch and afterwards fell out. He

partly recovered but grave fears are now entertained for his recovery. Allen has been in charge of the officer's club. He has been keeping company with Miss Daly and it is said they were to be married tomorrow.

Telegraphic Sparks. The local option election in Pulaski, Vir-

nia, resulted in a victory for the drys y a majority of 21. The local option in Whitstone district, Lancaster county, Virginia, resulted in a victory for the drys by 417 majority. The foreign admirals have offered to Colonel Vassos any medical and surgica ssistance he may require for the wounded in his camp. Dr. Charles M. Shields, the well known

e, throat and ear specialist of Rich-ond, Va., died Thursday after a brief ess from consumptio At Indianapolis, Ind., for the present, at least, the Citizens Street Railroad Com-pany has decided to give up its fight against the 3 cent fare law. 7th at Greensboro.

The Cretan insurgents have attacked the Animbali blockhouse near Fort Izeddin. There was heavy firing all Thursday night. The Turkish warships in Suda Bay shelled the insurgents.

Convicted of Train Wrecking. Macon, Ga., April 16 .- The trial of Shaw wrecker of a passenger train on the Southern railway at Stone creek last year, ended today at Jeffersonville in a verdict of guilty, with recommendation to life imprisonment. Shaw and Criswell wrecked the train causing the loss of two lives. Criswell is now serving a life

term in the penitentiary and Shaw will s be sentenced tomorrow to the same fate.

Greece to Increase Her Circulation.

right and Marshall. Athens, April 16.-At the session of the legislative assembly today M. Delyannis ment to increase the issue of treasury notes from 14,000,000 to 30,000,000 drachmas with an alternative bill sanctioning an in-terval loan of 24,000,000 drachmas and a third bill increasing the issue of small bank notes of the denomination of one Guire; Stulze, Molesworth, Chesbro and Foster. and two drachmas to the amount of

The Rev. Mr. Anderson on the Revival in Southport.

Southport, N. C., April 16, 1897. Editors Messenger:

The revival in the M. E. church at Southport has increased in interest from the very first. Crowded houses have greeted Dr. Leftwich at every evening service, and the day services have been better attended than at any previous re-vival, far exceeding the wonderful meeting last fall, at which over sixty were

converted. The meeting so far has result-ed in the convertion and reclaimation of over fifty persons. The church life has been greatly quickened and the faith of yery many is established, while a number

Hampton

NEW BOARD OF DIRECTORS

Base Ball

over cotton fields and farms in every Of the North Carolina Railroad Meets-The direction where it was supposed peo ple were to be found in need of help, Secretary's Office Locked and That Offiacting largely upon advices of the local cer Not to be Found-Dr. Norment Elect. relief committees along the route.

ed President Pro Tem. Returning to the main river, a visit was made to the Flower lake crevasse, (Special to The Messenger.) which was found to have extended to Raleigh, N. C., April 16 .- Dr. Nora width of 1,800 feet. Major Sanger ment and several other directors of the says that country overflowed from this North Carolina railway arrived from break, some of the richest bottom lands in the south, is under water rang-Greensboro this afternoon. The new ing in depth from two to twenty-five board met there today. W. H. Day and

A. C. Avery were with them 'as counsel. As stations were established negroes were sent out in canoes throughout the They tried to find the secretary of the flooded districts to notify the people where they might come. Major Sanold board of directors, Mr. Ruffin, but could not and his office was locked. No gor says the inhabitants of the flooded section are bearing their infliction with demand was made for the office, but the extraordinary patience, clinging closeboard met in a hotel. All its memundergoing hardships in the hope of better times. He says that if the wabers were present, that is, all Governor Russell's appointees. No others attendters recede by the 20th of May all will ed. Dr. Norment was elected president be well with them and that with econpro tem and E. S. Walton, secretary, omy and careful distribution the funds and the board took a recess until June already appropriated will be sufficient for the maintenance of the absolutely lestitute; but if the water holds up The secretary of state grants a charand it is not possible to make a crop this summer the distress that will reter to the Textile Manufacturing Com-

sult will be terrible. pany of Richmond county, composed Vicksburg, Miss., April 16.-The Queen and Cresent route train disof H. C. Wall and twelve others.

patchers at 12 o'clock tonight reported that Biggs levee, in Madison parish, Newport News, Va., April 16 .- The broke at 10 o'clock and that the break

was 100 feet wide in twenty minutes. Hampton Athletic Club was defeated The break is four and a half miles by the Yale base ball aggregation at south of Delta, La., and one half mile Riverview park this afternoon. Old above the upper end of Reids levee. The Point Comfort sent a large delegation news was sent to Delta at once, the operator here being aroused out of bed to the park to root for the college and the message of warning sent along team. The score: R. H. E. the line of the railroad westward. The Yale $\dots 2 0 2 0 4 0 1 1 x - 10 8 3$ the line of the railroad westward. TheHampton $\dots 0 2 0 1 1 0 0 0 0 - 4 6 6$ levee is a very large one, and has been engaging the special attention of the Batteries: Wallan and Bartlett; Enevee authorities for weeks. Several hundred convicts have ben employed Washington, April 16 .- The home upon it in addition to other laborers team won easily over the visitors from R. H. E. and so greatly had it been strength-Richmond today. Score: Washington .10000351x-1091 ened that only today the belief was Richmond ...100000100-253 confidently expressed by men living beconfidently expressed by men living be-Batteries: Mercer, Norton and Mchind it that it would hold. The disas-

ter will be a great one. Lexington, Va., April 16 .- The base TROOPS TO LEAVE CUBA. ball team of the Allegheny institute, of Roanoke, today defeated the team o

the Washington and Lee university by Spain Will Shortly Withdraw Forty Thous sand Soldiers From Cuba.

a score of 9 to 7. Greensboro, N. C., April 16 .- A fai Washington, April 16 .- According to incrowd witnessed an unusually good formation received from trustworthy game today between Wake Forest colsources here, the withdrawal of at least lege and Lehigh. For six innings a part of the great army that Spain has neither side scored, but Lehigh manmaintained for several years in the island aged to make three runs later while Wake Forest only made one.

of Cuba will begin when the rainy season sets in within a few days. The initial

novement will be the departure of 10.000 Indictment Against the Dauntless Dismis Spanish troops from Havana for Spain, and within a short time after that 30,000

The body was covered with blood and the walls and furniture bore additional evidence of the terrible deed. Stickney died fighting desperately. .

> FRANCE AND THE DINGLEY BILL Fireman Overby. The acts of the legislature will not be

> Foreign Minister Hanotaux Answers Som Questions Regarding Effect of Proposed High Duties Against French Products. C Paris, April 16 .- The Dingley tariff bill has aroused considerable antagonism in ment. French mercantile circles, where it is pointed out that the measure may lead to he really desired a negro physician apa policy disastrous in its effects on cer-

with several deep gashes made by a heavy

black jack, and the skull was fractured.

pital for the insane is regarded as tain French industries. strange. It was thought he had the in-Some representations of this nature fluence to cause the appointment of any having already been made to members of the French government, the Associated place. Press sent to M. Hanotaux, the French foreign minister, a number of questions bearing on the tariff situation and the re-

lations of the two republics. The French foreign office offered these written answers: "The Federal government at Washing ton will succeed, without any doubt, in drawing closer the bonds which unite France and the United States by abstain-ing from over taxing imported French goods, such as sparkling and still wines seemed to be needed. The relief boat ran up the St. Francis river, up the L'Anguille river and across country over cotton fields and farms in every

evidently have a contrary effect." "It is to be hoped this will not event-ually be done. At the present time there are no differences between the two great republics. They are bound together too many memories and traditions for a vertable spirit of hostility to grow be-tween them. The solution of small cur-rent questions which give rise to negotiations between the two countries, is, how-ever, sometimes rendered difficult by the argumentative spirit of the American state department.

"Although France has no grounds for complaining of the diplomatic and consular representation of the United States, there is nevertheless reason for stating that she has been surprised at the attitude of certain American consuls. One of them, admitted to exercise his functions in one of the great ports of France, seems quite recently to have undertaken the task of disparaging the produce of ly to their half submerged cabins and French vineyards. Incorrect statements denied after inquiry by competent au-thorities, have been reproduced in official reports by the agent in question and made public in administrative documents. "Another agent who had exercised the functions of consul in one of the great towns of France spoke of French wines, in the course of a lecture delivered in the

United States, in the most unfavorable terms-the worst terms. Both these agents represented French wines as watered, adulterated, mixed with plaster of Paris and composed of all sorts of ioxious ingredients. "Cases such as these denote the de-lorable tendencies and want of prudence of certain American agents."

In reply to the question whether France In reply to the question when tariff on would retallate in case the tariff on French goods should be very much raise the French foreign office said:

"The answer to that is that France pre-fers to believe that congress will examine the question with complete impartiality and that it will pronounce in the broad-est spirit of good will and justice upon any proposals to charge high duties on rench imports."

In reply to a question as to arbitration the following was said: "France loves peace and devotes her-self to preserving it. She is consequently in no way hostile to measures, the object of which is in a general way to safe guard peace. But before pronouncing on an agreement such as the one proposed be-tween Great Britain and the United States, France would prefer to wait the final action of the senate, and to see the result of the experiment, if any is to be

In answer to a question as to what co-operation France would give to bring about an international bimetallic conabout an international ference M. Hanotaux said

"The co-operation which France could give the United States in the assembling of a monetary conference would naturally depend upon the state of the relations-between the two countries. As regards bimetallism itself, opinion in France seems uncertain and very much divided."

Again in the Hands of Receivers. fighting. Knoxville, Tenn., April 16.-Again the big Southern Building and Loan Associaion is in the hands of receivers and this time its affairs will be wound up in the courts. For four days Chancelor Lindsay

for 20c; No. 30, for 25c; No. 40, for 30c; No. 50, for 35c; No. 50, for 40c; No. 80, for 50c; A city convention of republicans is called here next Friday, 23rd. Suit for \$25,000 is brought against the Seaboard Air Line for the death of

50, for 35c; No. 60, for 40c; No. 80, for 50c; A No. 100, for 65c. These prices cover all styles in Black Grosgrain, Satin, Taf-feta, Changeable, Lace Ribbon, Taffeta We have the finest stock of Ribbons of the season and city. We refilled our cases by order from the hard cash houses of northern cities by every day's mails and The old dispute between the adherents by telegrams. of Russell and Dockery never ends. It

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me to sell it very cheap.

The statement of the governor that pointed as the head of the colored hos-Flowers.

person he might desire to see get the

The report of the board of visitors to the university will be made next month. The report will be extremely favorable.

To Raise a Revolt in Macedonia,

Salonica, April 16 .- Chief Broufas, appeared. He is now organizing an invasion of the Chal Cidike peninsula with a view of diverting the Turkish army from Macedonia. He has assembled 2,200 members of the Ethnike Hatairia from Chal Kis, Rumeli, Athens and Volo and embarked them on a couple of steamers, which were to leave the gulf of Volo on Wednesday last for the coast of Chal Cidike, there to raise an insurrection

A Turk who was posing as the Rus sian correspondent of The Journal de St. Petersburg, has been arrested as a spy

Another fight is reported across the frontier. It is said that the Turks lost fifty killed and a small number of prisoners.

Mr. Gladstone on the Cretan Situation. London, April 16 .- Mr. Gladstone has written a letter to the Macedonian leader, Captain Dampzes, in which he says: "Under the present deplorable scheme all the British government has the right to do, seemingly, is to plead its opinions before a tribunal of two youthful despots, the emperors of Gernany and Russia, and to abide by their help to execute their final determinations.

> "Our disgraceful office seems to be to place ships, guns, soldiers and sailors at their disposal for the purpose of keeping down the movement for liberty of Crete and of securing to these young despots who have in no wise earned the confidence of Europe, the power of deciding questions which rightfully belong to the Cretans."

> > **Declaration of War Inevitable**

London, April 16 .- The Larrisa correspondent of The Times will say tomorrow: Every one here continues to de-clare that an outbreak of war is inevitable within the next two or three days, and especially as it is now known that in high quarters at Athens peaceful solution of the difficulty is re garded as almost hopeless. The authorities here are seriously counting

other influences are urging them on Meanwhile it is perfectly certain that the irregulars, unless restrained, will again invade Macedonia in order to compel the porte to declare war."

> An Artillery Battle on the Frontier. Athens, April 16 .- A dispatch from arissa, the headquarters of the Greek army in Thessaly, received at 11:30 o'clock p. m., says that an engagement has taken place near Nezeros, on the frontier, in which artillery participated. The dispatch gives no details of the



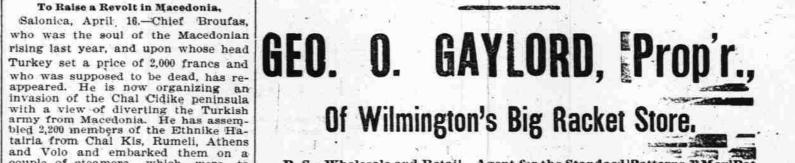
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