NARY MARRIAGES Two Injured MANY MARRIAGES AT GREENSBORD Two Killed and

Wreck of Through In Freight Near Danville, Injured.

which two persons were killed and two injured, occurred on the Southern Railway about 20 miles north of this key, who gave his age at 23, balken place yesterday afternoon. The two on getting No. 13, so waited until men killed were Grover Franklin and Monday and took No. 1 before breakfast. Up to noon today three had Archie Wyatt, both Danville men. and the injured are Phil White, of Danville and Stanperry Mages, of Brutus, Va.

The wrecked train was a through freight from Monroe, Va., to Spencer. While running at the rate of about 20 miles an hour several of the cars in and Miss Cora Cox, daughter of Mr. the middle of the train jumped the and Mrs. J. S. Cox, of Greensboro, track, causing a bad smashup. Eight Rev. Dr. G. H. Detwiler, officiating. cars were derailed and wrecked.

The accident is said to be due to a broken flange. The wrecking crews boro, were married at noon Wedneswere sent out from Danville and Mon- day at the home of the bride's mothrce and the track was cleared of the wreckage about midnight. The men killed and the injured are

way on the train. The two dead, who were both boys, left Danville several days ago, it is supposed on a hobo trip. They are sons of well to do business men of

AFRAID TO ACCEPT JOB.

this city.

Georgia Negro Who is Eligible for Position in Postoffice is Warned by Whites not to Accept.

Washington, D. CC., December 28.-The civil service commission has been in communication with Wilber T. George, a negro, who is the only eligible, for clerkship in the postoffice at Hattiesburg, Miss., and who has been advised by certain white persons in that place to remain away from the postoffice, otherwise, he would be mobbed. George recently advised the civil service commission that the postmaster at Hattiesburg had tendered him the position and he had accepted, but had failed to put in an appearance efficiating. for duty on account of the mob that was threatening him.

"I contend for the position or some thing equally as good in the civil service as per my examination," says George, in his letter to the commissioners.

"It is not even safe for me to stay her any longer than to-night; so you can address me for the next few days at Gainesvill, Miss."

"As I have not heard from you feel at liberty to take this action.' Under date of December 26, Com

missioner Greene, replying to the letter of George, stated that it was with in his discretion to accept or decline the appointment if tendered by the postmaster.

"It is not the practice of the com-mission," continued Mr. Greene, "to transfer the names of eligibles from one postoffice to another unless the needs of the service actually require such action.'

While the commission refuses to outline it's probable action, it thought that should George insist on performing the service of clerk in

Greensboro, Dec. 28 .- There have been an unprecented number of mar-Va., Two Boys were riages here the past week, and there Killed and Two Men is no prespect of let up. At 12 o'clock today the register of deeds office showed that exactly 100 licenses for marriage had been issued Danville, Va., Dec. 31.-A wreck in thus far in December, breaking all previous records for the month. Yesterady 15 licenses were issued, Monday 14 and Saturday a one-eyed dar-

> been issued, exactly rounding out the hundred for December. Among the more prominent marriages were. This afternoon at 4 o'clock in West Market Street Methodist Church, Rev. Crawford Jackson, of Atlanta,

Mr. Cleveland M. Paylor, of Dilllon, S C., and Miss Roxy Case, of Greens-New York, Dec. 28 .-- George W. Perkins, former vice-president of the New er,, Mrs. Augusta Case, Rev. J. C. Goodman officiating. Wednesday at- York Life, and now member of the ternoon at the home of Mr. Charles firm of J. P. Morgan & Co., and Charles supposed to have been beating their G. Burton on Rankin street the mar- S. Fairchild, formerly Secretary of the tial vows were assumed by Mr. L. C. Treasury and trustee of the New York Oldham, cf Durham, and Miss V. Life, were indicted by the grand jury, Winnifred Oldham, also of Durham. charged with forgery in the third de- and driving about the country in an The ceremony was performed by gree.

Rev. E. R. Leyburn, of Durham, in the presence of a few intimate is known as the Prussian bond transac-tions in which it is charged that a iriends.

Mr. C. Luther Davis and Miss Ellen Willis, both of High Point, ernment of Prussia as to the securiwere married Wednesday morning at ties by the company. he home of 'Squire J. R. Pearce, who performed the ceremony.

by the grand jury in this connection was what was alleged to be the dum-Mr. Buel S. Call, of Wilkes couniy, and Miss Bertha May Call, of my sale of 10,000 shares of Chicago and Ashe county, were married at the Northwestern and 5,300 shares of St. McAdoo Hotel Christmas afternoon, Paul stock to the New York Security the ceremony being performed by and Trust Company. So far as appeared on books of New the Rev. Sanders R. Guignard, rector

York Life this action was a complete cf St. Andrew's Episcopal Church. At noon on Christmas day at the sale of securities. The New York Sehome of Mr. J. B. Robinson on Sum- curity and Trust Company, however, recorded it as a loan. Later these mit avenue his nephew, Mr. George shares were sold by the New York Robinson and Miss Lillie Causey Security and Trust company with were married, Justice D. H. Collins profit of the life insurance company of \$155,000. This alleged false statement

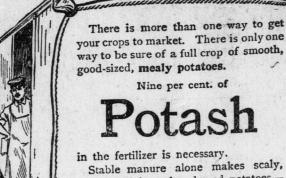
On Christmas night Rev. J. Edgar On Christimas night Rev. J. Edgar Williams united in the bonds of pliance with the rules of the Prussian holy matrimony Mr. James P. Dilgovernment that a life insurance comilard and Miss Ora Moore. The hard and Miss Ora Moore. The pany doin business in that country ceremony was performed at the shall not include corporation stocks home of the bride's father, Mr. W. in it's assets but may include bonds M. Moore, on Bain street. The out- in such assets.

of-town guests were Mrs. Tomlinson, of Thomasville, grandmother of the Warefare on Bailey. Austin, Texas, Dec. 29 .- With th ride and Misses Lilly and Dolly Moore, of Brown Summit. Mr. and near approach of the assembling of the Mrs. Dilliard left yesterday morn- Texas legislature the contest for and ing for Summerfield to visit Mr. Dil- against the re-election of Senator Bailiard's father and next week they ley has reached the red-hot stage. will go to Lawrenceville, Va., their Though Bailey declares that his refuture home, where Mr. Dilliard election is assured it is not difficult for holds a responsible position with the the unbiased onlooker to see that the awrenceville Manufacturing Com opposition is of a most formidable

character and that if it continues to At his residence Monday after gather strength it will be a toss-up ioon at 4 o'clock Rev. J. Edgar Will- whether the Senator may go down in defeat as a result of the exposure of iams, pastor of the Friends Church. efficiated at the marriage of Mr. his relations with the Standard Oil Robert A. Dean and Miss Josie Pitts, financiers. In several parts of the state mass meetings and popular votes both of Guilford College. are to be taken today to determine

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Raleigh, Dec. 28 .- While dressed up in typical Santa Claus costume

ox cart greatly to the amusement of The indictments were based on what the children of the section, John Lawrence was struck and instantly Nicholasville, Marengo county. tions, in which it is charged that a killed near New Hill Christmas day. false statement was made by the New He had left his cart and was run-York Life in order to satisfy the Govning to the depot to meet the incom-

ing train. He ran squarely against the engine as the train was steaming One of the transactions investigated into the station. Eye witnesses say that his body was hurled more than a hundred feet by the impact. Lawrence was highly esteemed. His wife has been dead several years, but he leaves three children.

News is received here of the killing of James Prince, colored, in Bartons Creek township, this county, Christmas day by his father-in-law, 'Squire There had been bad blood iogers. between the two men for some time and Christmas day Prince came to Rogers' house with a big knife declaring his purpose to kill the old man. He attempted to break open the door and as he did so Rogers chot him from the inside with his

shotgun. He died almost instantly. Rogers gave himself up to the officers. It seems to be clearly a case of self defense.

Today State Auditor B. F. Dixon and State Treasurer B. R. Lacy will leave for Cartarett Lodge, in Cartarett county for several days hunting. Col. F. B. Arrendell and Representalive-elect, F. Dill, will also be members of the party. Game is said to be very plentiful in the lodge prescives.

The members of the Edenton Street Methodist Sunday school provided a splendid Christmas tree for the one hundred orphans in the North Carolina Methodist orphanage here. Santa Claus was there to distribute the presents. A unique feature was that several days before the children had teen directed to write down what they wanted Old Santa to bring them. ther the people desire their ret

These slips were distributed to

\$200,000 OF FORGED NOTES.

aper Was Rediscounted by Cashier Rinehart, of Wrecked Bank.

Pittsburg, Pa., Dec. 29.-Rediscounted notes to the amount of \$1,-040,000, of which \$200,000 worth are known to be forged, have been located by Examiner Cunningham in his investigation of the defunct Farmers and Drovers' National Bank of Waynesburg, Pa. An assistant to Mr. Cunningham went to Baltimore to look up some rediscounted paper held by banks there.

All these rediscounted notes were negotiated by Cashier J. B. F. Rinelart. He gave \$1,000 bail for trial at court on a charge of forgery brought by the First National Bank of Roodsville, Pa., which charges that he forged the names of Secretary and Treasurer C. H. Bolby, of the wrecked bank, to the minutes of the directors' meeting authorizing the rediscounting of a note of \$5,000 signed by J. F. Tilton, recorder or Greene county.

Of the eight woman clerks of the tank, five were relatives of Rinehart, and have been discharged. The name of one has been found on a note for a large amount. The wo man asserts she signed the note in blank, not knowing for what purpose

it was intended. This note was rediscounted by Rinehart.

WHITES AND BLACKS IN HUNT.

Negro who Had Wounded Two Me: Burned in House.

Selma, Ala., December 29.-Two white men have been badly injured two negroes killed and a third negro wounded in a shooting scrape nea

che Alexander Jones, a negro, and wounded another negro during a crap game. Jones fled and barricade himself in his house. Leo Pope and Seeke Pope, white men, attempted to arrest Jones, when the negro opened

fire, wounding both. A crowd of white men gathered and efforts were made to drive the young negro fom his house. Bob Jones, father of Alexander tried to carry ammu nition to his son but was shot dead. Several negroes joined the besieg ing party and one negro, for a reward of \$5 crept up to the house and set fire to it. Alexander Jones never left the house and was burned to death in the flames.

oneumonia. Mr. Marks was about 40 There was not the slightest rupture between the negroes and the whites, hearted and a good neighbor; he will both joining in the attempt to capture be missed in the community in which the negro. he lived.

St. Paul, Minn., December 29 .- Mr J. J. Hill has no intentions of retiring day at his home in Lilesville township the presidency of the Grea from Mr. King was over 80 years old, and Northern Railway.



RHEUMATISM CAN NOT BE RUBBED AWAY

It is perfectly natural to rub the spot that hurts, and when the muscles. nerves, joints and bones are throbbing and twitching with the pains of Rheumatism the sufferer is apt to turn to the liniment bottle, or some other external application, in an effort to get relief from the disease, by producing counter-irritation on the flesh. Such treatment will quiet the pain temporarily, but can have no direct curative effect on the real disease because it does not reach the blood, where the cause is located. Rheumatism is more than skin deep-it is rooted and grounded in the blood and can only be reached by constitutional treatment-IT CANNOT BE RUBBED AWAY Rheumatism is due to an excess of uric acid in the blood, brought about by the accumulation in the system of refuse matter which the natural avenues of bodily waste, the Bowels and Kidneys, have failed to carry off. This refuse matter, coming in contact with the different acids of the body, forms uric acid which is absorbed into the blood and distributed to all parts of the body, and Rheumatism gets possession of the system. The aches and pains are only symptoms, and though they may be scattered or relieved for a time by surface treatment, they will reappear at the first exposure to cold or dampness, or after an attack of indigestion or other irregularity. Rheumatism can never be permanently cured while the circulation remains saturated with irritating, pain-producing uric acid poison. The disease will shift from muscle to muscle or joint to joint, settling on the nerves, causing inflammation and swelling and such terrible pains that the nervous system is often shattered, the health undermined, and perhaps the patient becomes deformed and crippled for life. S. S. S. thoroughly cleanses the blood and renovates the circulation by neutralizing the acids and expelling all foreign matter from the system. It warms and invigorates the blood so that instead

of a weak, sour stream, constantly depositing acrid and corrosive matter in the muscles, nerves, joints and bones, the body is fed and nourished by rich, health-sustaining blood which completely and permanently cures Rheamatism. S. S. S. is composed of both purifying and tonic propertiesjust what is needed in every case of Rheu-

matism. It contains no potash, alkali or other mineral ingredient, but is made entirely of purifying, healing extracts and juices of roots, herbs and barks. If you are suffering from Rheumatism do not waste valuable time trying to rub a blood disease away, but begin the use of S. S. S. and write us about your case and our physicians will give you any information or advice desired free of charge and will send our special treatise on Rheumatism.

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their Christmas holidays at home and preparing to get back to work. Moust of them have had a happy Xmas with their parents, who have striven to give them the enjoyment that can only be found at home.

To The News and its readers, your correspondent wishes a happy and Wadesboro, December 29 .- Mr. Har. prosperous Ney Year.

CHRISTMAS.

year old. He was industrious and kind Christmas has come again once more To bring the young good cheer; Old Santa's loaded down again Still driving his reindeer.

war between the states died yester- He gives the rich with lavish hand, And something to the poor; But there be some for whom I fear, He may not find their door.

> Some how we've got away from him And all his childish toys; Which brought so much delight to us, When we had small wee boys.

T makes them more bloodthirsty. How Our children now are all grown up, The youngest is sixteen; Eut still we try to beam and smile, Be calm, and look serene.

> Our Claude went off to Tennessee And without sword or staff; He captured a young Martin, which Is now his better-half.

And Ed. has made a break, at last, A sweeping change in life; struck Frank with a double barreled For he's just gone across the creek, himself a wife

To bles our working boy.

Dixie, N. C.

wards.

And everything they house;

From cackling hen to spouse.

May evrything they get, them bless,

W. MORGAN BROWN,

Petersburg, Va., Dec. 28.-While

acting as peacemaker between two

negroes engaged in a fight at Nenaron

Virginia, Joseph Saleeby, a Syrian, of

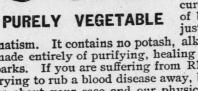
New York was so badly beaten by the

combatants that he died shortly after-

One of the negroes was captured,

CASTORIA

For Infants and Children.



ORPEDOES SH

ry Mark, of Lillsville township, died

recently after a week of sickness from

Uncle Jack King, a veteran of the

the Hattiesburg postoffice he will be transferred to some other place wher the race question does not figure as new in Mississippi.

Impoverished Soil

Impoverished soil, like impoverished blood, needs a proper fertilizer. A chemist by analyzing the soil can tell you what products.

If your blood is impoverished you need to fertilize it and give the young woman had met death. it the rich rod corpuseles that Tracing the marks on the ground ly die. "As need a tonic, but more likely you Mrs. Susan Brown. need a concentrated fat food, in your system.

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Murder Case of these meetings is awaited with con-siderable interest as the popular opin-

Police Confronted With Mystery in Finding Body of Young Woman on Grounds of Hospital. in hospitals and private cases, and for Probably Murdered.

Boston, Mass., Dec. 28 .- The police of West End district were confronted fertilizer to use for different with a mystery in finding the body of overwork. I had no appetite, could a young woman about 24 years of age, ipon the grounds of the Massachusetts of sieep,, my kidneys, liver and bow General Hospital.

After a brief investigation the poyour doctor will tell you what lice declared the case to be one of mur- cine or food on my stomach, and raisder, though it did not appear just how cd blood. The doctors said my condi-

over which the body of the girl had "As I had seen Vinol prescribed for are lacking in it. It may be you been dragged, the detectives found they my patients with such remarkable reled to the lodging house managed by sults, I decided to try it myself. After the first bottle I began to improve. Later Mrs. Brown and three other I continued its use, and soon began to and fat is the element lacking women occupants of the house were sleep and out not not and became romen occupants of the house were sleep and eat well; every organ in my ng further investigation.

Conflicting Theories.

\$10,000 in Will.

Terrorists Secure Booty.

Mied yrzecz, Poland., Dec. 28 .- A

small bard of Terrorists stormed the

tailroad depot here, drove off the

scaped with the contents.

less she says so .

dellars.

Early investigations developed con- health and strength. Sicting theories. On the tree near "I believe Vinol is the most potent so easily digested and assimi- which the body was found were dis- and delicious cod liver oil preparation covered strands of hair and the po- and tonic rebuilder in the world, and it lice thought that the woman might is such a blessing to be able to have fallen or been thrown from a take into the system all the body

somewhat hurried inspection of the cod live oil without the nauseating. of Cod Liver Oil body disclosed no marks of violence. greasy oil itself. The cause of death could be revealed "I advise all m "I advise all my patients who need

rly by an autopsy, it is believed. strength, rich, red blood, and flesh tis After an exhaustive examination of sue to take Vinol, as it is so far suthe Brown lodging house the police perior to old fashioned cod liver oil, the body when milk and cream were satisfied that none of the women emulsions, or other tonics." Elizabeth fail to do it. Scott's Emulsion found there and taken to the station M. Cremond, Trained Nurse, Boston, knew anything of the affair. Mass.

In Hickory we sell Vinol on a posi REMEMBERED NEGRO NURSE. tive guarantee to return money if it

fails. E. B. Menzies, Druggist. The Late D. J. Beresford Leaves Old Note-While we are sole agents for Negro Woman, Who Nursed Him, Vinol in Hickory, it is now for sale at the leading drug store in nearly ex-El Paso, Dec. 28 .- By the will of D.

rry town and city in the country. Look Beresford, killed in a wreck in North for the Vinol agency in your town. Dakota, \$10,000 is left to a colored wom an who nursed him through an attack

Omsk, Asiatic Russia, Dec. 28 .- Genof yellow fever in New Orleans. eral Lievinoff, governor of the Pro-vince of Akmolinsk, was assassinated The rest goes to three brothers. The estate is valued at one million in the street by two unknown men.

> CASTORIA. the The Kind Yeu Have Always Bought Bears the Signatur

Gendarmes, dynamited a safe and STORIA The Kind You Have Always Bought Bears the A woman thinks another is ugly un-

resentatives in the legislature to vote children in the Sunday school so that for Bailey for re-election. The result the wants of each child were filled. siderable interest as the popular opin-ion thus expressed will probably have A sumptious Christmas dinner was provided for the old soldiers in the considerable effect on the contest. Soldiers' Home. Big dinners and Christmas dinners were also the or ler in the State hospital for the in

TRAINED NURSE ane, the State prison and other Writes eLtter to The People. State institutions here. "To Whom it May Concern: I am Miss Lucy Andrews, well-known and trained nurse of nine years' experience quite popular in North Carolina so cial circles, gave her friends as wes!

the benefit of the people of Hickory as her immediate family a great su. I wish you would publish my expeprise Christmas afternoon by her rience with the cod liver oil preparation called Vinol.

els became inactive, and as I grew weaker I could not retain either mediwith his finance and he persuaded her to consent to marriage at this time so she could return to New

York with him. The ceremony vas y Dr. I. McK. Pittinger, rector of the Church of the Good Shepherd. Miss Andrews is a daughter of Mr. Phil H. Andrews and a niece of Col. A. B. Andrews. Miss Mary Andrews, elder daughter of Mr. Phil Andrews, is to be married in January to Mr. Fred Miller of Maryland. normal, until it seemed good to be

alive and I was restored to perfect Beware of Ointments for Catarrh That Contain eMrcury.

as mercury will surely destroy the sense of smell and completely derange the whole system when entering in through the mucous surafces. Such articles should never be used except on prescriptions from reputable physicians, as the damage they will do is ten-fold to the good you can possible derive from them. Hall's Catarrh Cure, manufactured by F. J. Chenney & Co., Toledo, O., contains no mercury, and is taken internally, acting directly upon the blood and mucous surfaces of the system. In buying Hall's Catarrh Cure be sure you get the genuine. It is taken internaliy and made in Toledo; Ohio, by F. Chenney & Co. Testimonials free. Sold by Druggists. Price 75 cents er bottle.

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shotgun. The blow rendered the des. And took perate negro unconscious for several hours. There is no blame attached We know she'll be a sweet good wife, No plaything or mer toy;

to Oscar as he struck only in defending But just the thing we're looking for, An item sent you this week states that Professor W. D. Redfearn left leg was broken by a fall. This is a Our blessing is upon these boys, mistake as it was the professor's wife

that was hurt by coming in contact with her pet Newfoundland dog that playfully ran against the lady. Mr. Themas Gatewood, a merchant

of Wadesboro was the victim of a funny accident this week. One of the small boys of the town was helping himself to some nuts and candies in in the merchant's store. Mr. G. Spoke to him several times, but the lad paid no attention to Mr. G. and his remonstarneces. Patience seased to be a virtue. Mr. G. threw the lad across his knee and proceeded to give him a but the other made good his escape. spanking. The first blow produced an explosion, the result of which badly

Saleeby's family resided at Petersburg. scorched Mr. Gatewood's hand and carried away the seat of the lad's pants. The lad had a lot of torpedoes in his hip pocket, which exploded in the spanking process.

Anson county did herself proud this Xmas. I don't think there has been The Kind You Have Always Bought an arrest during the holidays. The coons have behaved themselves most excellently at the "festivibals." Bears the We hope this behaviour may continue Signature of through next year. Cotton is bringing 10:30 on our mar-

A tree vouse of Dr. Thacher's Liver and Public school will open next Monday. Teachers report that the atten- Blood Syrup will be sent to any reader of

this paper who will write to the Thacher

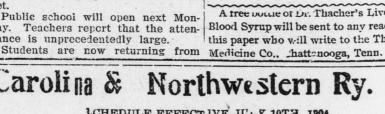
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Chester-Southern Ry., S. A. L. and L. & C. Yorkyle-Southern Railway. Gastonia-Southern Railway. Linestation-S. A. L. Newton and Hickory-Southern Rallway. Lenoir-Blowing Rock Stage Line and C.

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marriage to Mr. A. D. St. Amant of Brooklyn. Their engagement was announced some time ago and preparations for the wedding in April were in progress. However, M: St Amant was here to spend Christnas

tion was critical and I would probab-