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ONE DOLLAR A YEAR.

SHOT THROUGH WINDOW, POSSIBLY BY HUSBAND

Mrs. Houston Overcash, of Amity, Iredell County, received a bullet through the neck and face and it is believed she is fatally injured. Had refused to live with her husband, who is arrested.

Mrs. Houston Overcash is dying from the effects of gun shot wounds received last night at the home of her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Robert Winecoff, of Amity, Iredell county, and her husband is in jail here charged with firing the shot.

Mrs. Overcash and her parents had just finished supper and the mother and daughter were engaged in washing the dishes when a person on the outside of the house fired through the window with a shot gun.

The explosion put out the lamp and when another light was secured by Mr. Winecoff, who was also in the room, it was found that more than a hundred small shot had entered the neck and face of Mrs. Overcash, and two had entered the head of Mrs. Winecoff.

The wounds of the former are expected to prove fatal while the latter is not seriously injured.

Mrs. Overcash, who is little more than a girl, was married last August. She lived with her husband at the home of his parents at Bear Poplar three weeks and then returned to her parents.

Overcash made several visits to the Winecoff home and endeavored to get his wife to return to his home, but she refused on the grounds that he mistreated her.

At one time, it is charged he endeavored to force her to return with him and it is also alleged that he made threats against her to the people of the community.

On account of the estrangement and these expressions, he was naturally suspected of having fired the shot or being responsible for it, and was accordingly placed under arrest this morning at his home some miles from the scene of the shooting.

Shoes found in his room fit the tracks, it is claimed, which led to and from the window of the Winecoff home.

He and his parents claim he was at home all of last night, but there is some contradictory evidence.

The tragedy caused much excitement in the community where it occurred and was the principal topic on the streets of Statesville today.

PRICE UPON VILLA'S HEAD

Mexican General and His Associates Declared Outlaws and May Be Killed at Sight.

Washington Dispatch, Jan. 19.

General Carranza notified the Mexican Embassy here today that he had formerly proclaimed Francisco Villa, Pablo Lopez and Rafael Castro outlaws because of the massacre of American citizens at Santa Ysabel. Under the decree any citizen of the Republic is authorized to execute the outlaws without formality. It says:

"In view of the frequency with which outrageous crimes are being committed by bands of outlaws scattered in various parts of the Republic, even after the annihilation of the armies of the reactionaries by the Constitutional forces I believe that the situation thus created calls for the extremity of energetic measures of suppression in order that such crimes shall be met by severe punishment to those who are responsible.

"In view of the recent attack on a railway train at a point distant eight kilometers from Santa Ysabel in the State of Chihuahua by bandits led by Rafael Castro and Pablo Lopez, members of the forces commanded by Francisco Villa, under whose orders they were operating and in accordance with the precedent established by the constitutionalist government in similar cases occurring in the past, I have seen fit to issue the following decree:

"Article I.—The reactionary leader and ex-Gen. Francisco Villa is hereby declared to be outside the pale of the law.

"Article II.—The reactionary leaders, ex-Gen. Rafael Castro and ex-Col. Pablo Lopez, are hereby declared to be outside the pale of the law.

"Article III.—Any citizen of Mexico is empowered hereby to arrest the leaders, Francisco Villa, Rafael Castro and Pablo Lopez and to execute them without any formality of the law. But the citizen performing such function shall make a record in writing, describing in detail the occurrence and setting forth the proofs of the identity of the outlaws and the proof of the execution."

Republican Senators made clear at today's meeting of the foreign relations committee of their purpose to keep up the fight for action on the situation in Mexico. The Democrats were equally as determined that no legislative action should be taken at this stage and that the problems involved should be left to the President.

Three Double Electrocutions.

Three double electrocutions are to take place in the State prison at Raleigh soon. The first is that of two negro murderers of Guilford, Jan. 28. Two weeks later two other negro murderers of Gaston county will die together. The next couple are white and one of them is a woman. They are Mrs. Ida Warren and her friend, Christy. Together they murdered the woman's husband in Winston. The date of their electrocution has not been set.

Somewhere Between the Two Williams.

Elimination of private profit as an influence of war by government manufacture of all war munitions, was urged in the Senate Wednesday by Senator Cummins of Iowa, Republican. He pleaded for adoption of resolution which would authorize a special committee to inquire into the most feasible plan for acquiring and constructing plants to supply the army and navy with all arms, munitions, and equipment and to report on the legislation necessary to prevent private management of such products.

The Senator said that he believed that "somewhere between the armed camp of William of Germany, and the dove cot of William of Nebraska, there must be an honorable abiding place for a great nation which is prepared to lead the world toward peace but will not submit to injustice of indignity."

THE FAULT OF PARENTS

Experience Has Taught That They Are to Blame For Misconduct of Children.

Correspondence of The Journal.

Wingate, Jan. 20.—My gracious, "how Tempus does fugit!" as the young linguist said. The first month of the new year half gone and spring-time will be on us almost before we realize it. Will you be ready when it comes?

Tuesday, the 18th, was the coldest of the season so far on this ranch. Wednesday, the 19th, was a close second, lacking only one degree. Just an ideal day to butcher a pig, so we slaughtered ours. We don't know what it weighed as we didn't weigh it. Guess it weighed over sixty, anyway.

Mr. Calvin Nash has moved on to the premises occupied last year by Mr. Buxton Gaddy, half mile south of Meadow Branch church. We are glad to have this kind and neighborly family as our nearest neighbors. They are excellent folks.

Mr. Bunyan Griffin of Charlotte, step-son of Mr. N. W. Bivens, will occupy the residence vacated by Mr. Nash's family, known as the Leek Phifer property on South Main St. Wingate extends the glad hand of welcome to Mr. Griffin and family.

Mr. Lindsey of Lilesville is visiting the family of his brother-in-law, Mr. Edgar Williams of Wingate.

Mr. J. J. Perry is attending the Grand Lodge of Free Masons at Raleigh this week.

Rev. Mr. Russell, a student in school here, was called away to attend the funeral of Mrs. Russell's sister of Stanly county, who died a few days ago.

Mrs. Jordan is here to spend the winter with the family of her son-in-law and daughter, Mr. and Mrs. W. R. Free.

Little Miss Dorothy Bivens, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. John W. Bivens, is right sick with grip at this writing. Her friends hope, however, that her case will not prove serious and that she may speedily recover.

Mrs. John Williams, who lives on Mr. H. F. Williams' old place, happened to a right serious accident a few days ago. Mrs. Williams fell from the door steps of the dwelling, with the results of a broken arm. Dr. Jerome set the fractured member and patient is getting along fine.

Born Wednesday, the 19th, to Mr. and Mrs. Atlas Mullis, a daughter.

The friends of Mrs. N. W. Bivens of Rock Rest will be sorry to learn that she is still quite feeble and that her condition doesn't improve much, as yet.

That was a shocking affair down in Richmond county at the Gibson school as reported by Student in the last issue of The Journal. What a serious reflection upon the community! What a sad comment upon our civilization and enlightenment! And who is to blame? Who is responsible for such lawlessness? An experience and close observation of the writer covering a period of more than thirty years, among school boys and girls, justifies the conclusion that nine times out of ten the parents are responsible for such conduct of their offspring. Put this in your pipe and smoke it until it soaks good and deep. Parents, you can't dodge the issue, so you may as well shoulder the responsibility and reap your reward. Children who receive proper training in the home and are taught self control and obedience and submission to authority seldom give trouble in school or anywhere else. Such make quiet, decent, law-abiding citizens. Well the subject is too deep and too broad to allow further comment at this time by this scribe. Suffice it to say that about three-thirds of us carnal, thoughtless, shortsighted beings haven't sense enough to raise children properly "nohow." We need a whole lot of schooling along this line, we do.

O. P. TIMIST.

Fires a Luxury in Italy With Coal at \$40 a Ton.

Rome Dispatch, Jan. 18. Anthracite is selling in Italy at more than \$40 a ton at the present time although considerable shipments of American coal lie unsold in the coal pockets of the seaports. Only the wealthiest people have been able to afford coal fires, although the cold has been severe.

The poorer classes consider fire a luxury and only occasionally are able to get enough wood to indulge in a blaze. A bird's-eye view of any Italian city at present shows only a few scattering whiffs of smoke, mostly from locomotives, a few factories and hotels.

COMMUNITY SPIRIT EVIDENT.

Indian Trail People Are Pulling Together for That Locality—Local Items.

Correspondence of The Journal.

Indian Trail, Jan. 19.—The thermometer registered fourteen degrees below zero Wednesday morning, being placed on the north side of the house. Cold some, wasn't it?

Misses Eunice and Etta Smith, daughters of Mr. Jacob Smith of Richmond county, spent the latter part of last and the former part of this week with their brother, Mr. Henry Smith of this place. They also visited many friends round about the village. They left Tuesday for their home.

Miss Cora Hoover, who lives north of here, spent Saturday night and Sunday with Miss Odessa Lemmond of the village.

The community spirit is growing at Indian Trail. A meeting was held at the school auditorium on Friday night of last week by members of the Farmers Union. Speeches were made by a number of the members of the Local Union of this place, but the special feature of the night was a speech by Esq. J. E. Broom on the subject of community co-operation. Mr. Broom embodied the assertion in his speech that one evidence of co-operation, or community spirit in a neighborhood is when people attend public meetings and gatherings that are held for the purpose of improving or building up their community. This evidence was present at Indian Trail because the neighborhood was well represented at the meeting Friday night.

It is the one great aim or purpose of the people of this community to make the man or men who reside in it proud of their community. Proud enough of it that if any one of them having occasion to travel from it into a far country, like the prodigal son of old, he upon being asked where his home is, he is able to answer with pride and a head well raised, "I live yonder in the little village of Indian Trail, where people co-operate and exchange ideas."

Mr. T. P. Conder is the victim of a very serious sore on his hand.

Rev. Mr. Gill of Charlotte preached at Indian Trail Sunday morning and evening in the Presbyterian church. A large congregation listened to the efficient speaker in the morning, but owing to the weather only a small congregation attended the evening service. SIR JOHN.

DRASTIC METHOD OF LOWERING GASOLINE

Congressman Johnson Would Levy Tax of 81 Per Gallon on All Gasoline Sold Above 15 Cents Gallon.

Washington Dispatch, Jan. 17.

A new and drastic method of lowering the price of gasoline was proposed in a house resolution introduced to day by Congressman Ban Johnson, chairman of the District of Columbia committee. Mr. Johnson proposes that the manufacturer of gasoline shall pay a tax of 81 per gallon on all of his product sold at a price above 15 cents per gallon.

While other house members are talking of investigating the "gasoline trust" the Kentucky member believes the situation may be met speedily by the levy of an internal revenue tax that will prohibit absolutely the sale of the product at the present excessive prices. His proposed tax would fall on the original seller of the gasoline, and would mean that no manufacturer could ask more than 15 cents for the fluid when sold to the dealer.

"I believe that fifty to seventy-five men in this house have told me they would vote for such a bill," said Congressman Johnson. "If the bill is reported from the ways and means committee I think it will pass and it should pass."

Lagging Behind.

Marshallville Home.

The Wadesboro Ansonian says Anson built nearly fifty miles of good roads last year. The Ansonian doesn't say so, but we have figured a little, and if our sister county will just keep this work going at the same rate she will have built 500 miles within ten years time, and the citizens who are doing the work will not all be dead at the expiration of that time either. Union county was once noted for leaping ahead of Anson, Stanly and other adjoining counties in good roads, but she is lagging behind now. What shall we do about it?

Cold Weather Checks Grip.

The cold snap of the last few days already has curtailed the spread of the grippe, so say officials of the health department. Other respiratory diseases which were rapidly increasing, prior to the advent of the cold weather now are decreasing, according to officials who say that if the present spell of cold weather continues it will put an end to the prevalence of pneumonia.

Analysis of the health department show that the infection which has been widespread recently, came not from the grippe and not from influenza bacillus, but primarily was caused by pneumonia germs.

His Need for an Automobile.

A tired little boy sat on the curb with his chin in his hands. "I wish I were rich," he exclaimed. "What would you do with the money if you were rich?" asked one of his playmates. "I'd buy a great big motor car," answered the little chap, "so I could fly my kite out of the back of it without running my legs off."

FARMER HANGED HIMSELF

Mr. Cauthen C. Broom of Prospect Took His Own Life Wednesday Night—Strangled Himself to Death With a Plow Line on a Tree in the Woods.

Mr. Cauthen C. Broom, a farmer of the Prospect section of Buford township, hanged himself some time Wednesday night. The body was found yesterday morning hanging to a tree about three quarters of a mile from his home. It was cold and there were no means of telling at just what time the deed was done.

On Wednesday evening Mr. Broom left home, saying that he was going to the home of his son-in-law, Mr. Weaver Plyler, to get a coat which he had left there. Though he did not return home during the night, no uneasiness was felt, for it was supposed that he had merely decided to spend the night. But he had not gone there at all.

On Thursday morning Mr. Bryan Nisbet was up early and on the way to the saw mill in the neighborhood. He came across a coat and vest and hat, and going on further, found the body of Mr. Broom hanging to a tree. The unfortunate man had strangled himself to death, as the neck was not broken. He had tied the knot up as high as he could reach and then simply lifted his feet until he died. The knees were bent just as he had lifted them to clear the ground.

After leaving home Wednesday night Mr. Broom had gone back and got his coat and a plow line.

The deceased was 55 years old and leaves a wife and eight children, several of them grown. He was a good man but one who had always been of a nervous, hysterical nature, and his deed, though not particularly expected, was no great surprise. It is certain that he was unbalanced at least for the time. There was general regret at the sad affair, as Mr. Broom was well regarded by his neighbors.

Dates for Good Roads Speakings.

Friday, January 21st, 7:30 p. m., Carrrier school house, in Goose Creek township, W. B. Love.

Waxhaw, 7:30 p. m., J. C. M. Vann, January 22nd, Clontz's store in Goose Creek township, at 2:00 p. m., J. C. M. Vann.

January 26th, 7:30 p. m., Union school house, in Lanes Creek township, J. C. M. Vann.

January 27th, 7:30 p. m., Ebenezer school house, in Goose Creek township, J. C. M. Vann.

January 28th, 7:30 p. m., Beulah school house, Lanes Creek township, J. C. M. Vann.

Presbyterian Church Notes.

Services for Sunday next as follows: 11 a. m., worship and sermon; 2:30 p. m., Sunday school; 7 p. m., Y. P. S. C. E.; 7:30 p. m., praise service and sermon.

All are cordially invited to these services. Those who were hindered by the weather, the grip, or (?), be sure to bring or send you envelope offering for Synodical Home Missions on next Sunday morning.

Remember the Y. P. S. C. E. social on Friday night at 7:30 o'clock. The social committee is planning for a good time. Come and enjoy it.

REPORTER.

Honor Roll Mineral Springs School Second Month.

First Grade—Vance Winchester. Second Grade—Charlie Mical, Glenn Winchester, Houston Howie, High Helms.

Fourth Grade—Bernice Winchester, Nellie Helms, Clara Krauss. Sixth Grade—Viola Polk, Sadie Porter, Kathleen Winchester, Frank Krauss, Henry Polk.

Seventh Grade—Vivian Winchester, Nell Krauss.

Ninth Grade—Ora Lee Porter, Claude Helms.

Pageland Doings.

Pageland Journal, 19th.

Mr. John Rutledge, who has been suffering with a pain in the head since before Christmas, writes home from Atlanta that he is much improved now, and that he hopes to be well soon.

Mr. Munterlyn, the new policeman, went out last Saturday afternoon. He has moved his family from Ruby to Pageland, and they now live in the Dawkins house on McCreor street.

Miss Alice Threant, who has come to Pageland to establish a hospital, has not lost a case in five years, and she has been working all the while. This is rather a remarkable record for a nurse.

Mr. Cyrus Smith, son of Mr. Sanford Smith of Lanes Creek township and a brother of Mr. R. L. Smith of Pageland, has moved from Rutherfordton, N. C., to Elberton, Ga., where he has a position as agent for the Southern Express Company. He gave up the agency at Rutherfordton to Mr. Lonnie Eubanks, son of Mr. W. A. Eubanks of Buford township.

Mr. A. F. Funderburk has been to Columbia and has secured the promise of E. J. Watson to be here for the first day of the coming chauntauqua. Superintendent Swearingen for Friday, and Governor Manning for Saturday. He says each of those three gentlemen promised to be here in person, and that no substitution would be made. These are able men and no person in reach should fail to hear them. Superintendent Rouse proclaims Friday a school holiday for all the schools in reach of Pageland, so that the children may all come and hear the State Superintendent.

A good man never has to tell others of it.

Death of Mr. Frank English.

Mr. Frank S. English died at the family home in Monroe Wednesday night about nine o'clock. He had carried on for eight years a brave battle against disease and a man of less resolute will and energy would have given up long ago. Eight years ago he quit a business in Charlotte which he and Mr. Howard McLarty were launching successfully, and went to Florida to live out in the open. Mr. English was a man whose natural bent was business and having to give up active enterprise at the time he did was enough to take the life out of any man. But he went about the business of getting well in a determined manner and would have won had there been any chance. Last year he returned from Florida and went to the North Carolina mountains. He came home some weeks ago.

Mr. English was 37 years old, and was the son of Mr. and Mrs. J. R. English. His mother died six years ago and his father died last September. He is survived by several brothers and sisters. He studied at Trinity College and then took a course in pharmacy graduating at the University of Maryland in that department. He became a partner in the English Drug Company, but later went to Charlotte and established a drugist supply house with Mr. Howard McLarty. This he had to give up eight years ago to seek to regain his health.

The deceased was a man of inherent honesty, independence of thought and integrity of character. His life's record was clean.

The funeral services were held at the residence yesterday afternoon by Rev. Mr. Abernethy of Central Methodist church, of which Mr. English was a member. The pall bearers were Messrs. Rufus Armfield, Roscoe Phifer, H. A. Shepherd, Howard McLarty, S. O. Blair and J. A. Stewart.

Fox Hunting and Rabbit Hunting.

A regular old time fox hunter dies game. Take a man who used to hunt the bushy tails regularly in the days when they were plentiful and kept a string of hounds, and he hunts no more. He is like an old war horse turned out to die. If by chance he hears of a fox chase somewhere he will prick up his ears, but now that there are no foxes and nobody has fox hounds, the old fox hunter will not stoop to rabbits and possums. He simply dreams of the big chases he used to have in the days that are gone. Yesterday Carmel Charley Helms was sitting whittling a stick at Lathan & Richardson's store and Mr. J. M. Wolfe came along. Now Mr. Wolfe is the champion rabbit hunter and trapper. He has sold just 120 rabbits on this market this season. He tried to interest Mr. Helms in rabbit hunting, but it was no go. Some time ago some one had turned loose a fox and Mr. Helms got wind of it and followed it all night. He forgot his rheumatism. Mr. Wolfe couldn't understand how a man could run a tame fox in the rain all night when there were plenty of rabbits to be caught and sold for ten and fifteen cents. He tried to buy the old fox hunter, but it was no go. It only made him begin to brag about an old blue hound which he bought last year for two yearlings, four dollars, and a few other articles. He had bought the hound not because there are any more foxes to hunt, but because he liked the way old blue opened on a fox which he accidentally jumped. Yes, sir, your old time fox hunter is dead game to the last.

"Stouts Items."

Correspondence of The Journal.

Stouts, Jan. 20.—Mr. R. M. Conder spent a couple of days in Charlotte this week.

Mr. and Mrs. John Gurley of Indian Trail were visitors in the village Sunday evening and night.

Mr. Ernest Hayes, who has been visiting his father, Mr. W. T. Hayes, is now in Charlotte where he will spend some time before returning to his home in Woonsocket, Rhode Island.

Dr. A. Fisher and Hon. J. E. Honeycutt of Charlotte motored down to the home of your scribe on last Saturday evening and went on a hunting trip with Mr. R. M. Conder and Padersky. As that was the last day of the bird season we hunted until late, had splendid luck and a good time.

Mr. Wilton Springs returned to Charlotte last Sunday night after spending several days with his brother, Mr. Charlie Springs.

Mr. Murphy Conder spent Sunday night with the writer of "Stouts Items."

Messrs. Newton Hargott, Leslie Conder, R. F. Price of Unionville motored over to our village Wednesday and spent the day visiting and rabbit hunting.

Mr. "Bill" Hayes of Charlotte was a welcome week end visitor in our village this week.

Messrs. Oscar Sutton and Leslie Conder visited the latter's brother, Mr. Leslie Conder of Unionville Saturday night and Sunday.

Mrs. R. M. Conder, who keeps only pure bred cows and chickens, gave this item to your scribe the other day. Mrs. Conder kept a record of one of her Jersey's and 25 hens in the year 1915, and after supplying the table (there are eleven in family) sold \$83.78 worth of butter fat and eggs.

PADERSKY.

Some Hoggish.

Marshallville Home.

A thief entered the smokehouse of Mrs. Leander Baucum of New Salem township Monday night of last week and stole a large hog, with the exception of the shoulders, that had been killed that day. Some hoggish, that fellow was.

A HOT OLD TIME IN THE U. S. SENATE

Hoke Smith Shot His Great Bolt Against England and John Sharp Williams Replied to It.

Washington Dispatch, Jan. 20.

Issues arising from the European war were discussed without restraint in the Senate today in the warmest debate on international questions Congress convened. Great Britain's interference with American trade was characterized as "perpetual robbery;" Germany was branded as "guilty of murder;" pleas were made for an embargo on munitions and foodstuffs to England and charges made and denied that British censors intercepted American mail to take advantage of trade secrets.

Possibility of war to enforce American rights did not escape attention, but the suggestion of war was counterbalanced with appeal for calm deliberation to await justice from cooler heads after the belligerents had recovered from war madness.

Debate was precipitated by Senator Hoke Smith, of Georgia who delivered a long prepared speech denouncing Great Britain's course in holding up neutral commerce and particularly her interference with cotton shipments to Germany. He proposed an embargo against England which he said could not continue the war without munitions from this country nor feed her people without food from the United States and other neutrals. His vigorous assault upon England's attitude was endorsed by Senator Borah of Idaho, who said he was willing to take responsibility for "action, not speech" to protect American rights, but feared embargo legislation could not be passed by Congress.

From Senator John Sharp Williams, the Georgia Senator's utterances drew a stirring reply, with a declaration that he was not willing to have the "people of Dixie" placed in an attitude of holding property on a plane with human life. Senator Williams said until the issue of murdered American women and children on the high seas was settled, he would not nag the President of the United States about property nor attempt to force settlement for monetary loss of property from war-maddened people until he could appeal to their calmer judgment when war had ceased.

For several hours the Senate was held in rapt attention by the frankness and vigor of the speakers. The discussion reached a climax when Senator Smith, indignant at the intimation that he would place commercialism over human life, dramatically inquired of Senator Williams:

"Because Germany has been guilty of murder must we concede the right of perpetual robbery on the high seas to Great Britain?"

Senator Smith declared that Congress should act because the President could do no more than write notes. He said he did not want to go to war but insisted that the United States should have the nerve to insist upon its commercial rights. The embargo to force England's hand, Senator Smith suggested, should be made effective within 30 days unless Great Britain yielded.

Senator Williams held the Senate for more than an hour with his reply. "The Allies said he would not be bullied by the United States 'unless they were to stand like a lot of whipped curs while warring for life, liberty and independence' and yield to the Congress of the United States backed by an army of 90,000 soldiers and the fourth navy of the world." He thought it sufficient for this Government to protest firmly against violation of commercial rights and to await deliberation of a calmer people for restitution, and asserted that he would not "kill one human being on the face of the globe for mere property" unless after a belligerent had calmed down it should develop that American rights were coldly and deliberately defied.

Senator Smith in his response to Senator Williams declared the people of the South were just as concerned as other Americans over the murder of American citizens but they were also concerned over the destruction of their property rights. Senator Vardaman of Mississippi defended the position of Senator Smith, declaring it was sustained by international law, by the President of the United States and the Secretary of State.

Mexican General Formerly in School at Huntersville.

Statesville Landmark.

Gen. Jose Rodriguez, an adherent of Gen. Villa in the Mexican revolution, is said to have been one of the leaders in the massacre of the Americans in Mexico last week and it is reported that he has been executed.

Rodriguez, as has been mentioned, was when a boy a student of the high school in Huntersville, then conducted by Rev. Dr. W. W. Orr, now pastor of the Tabernacle Associate Reformed Presbyterian church in Charlotte. Some of his schoolmates and others who knew Rodriguez when he was in school at Huntersville, remember him. He belonged to a prominent and wealthy family in Mexico, it is said, and was probably sent to the Huntersville school through the influence of the missionaries of the Associate Reformed Presbyterian church in Mexico.

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