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THE HUMBERT TRIAL a safe in the Humbert mansion and

DOUBT AS TO THE OUTCOME OF THE PROSECUTION.

How Mme, Therese Esgineered the Greatest of Swindles-Capitalized a Frand For Sver \$100,000,000-Her Rise and Fall.

Mme. Humbert, head and front of the most marvelous awindle ever devised, is again a subject of discussion in Paris by reason of the trial of herself and family. For twenty years the Humberts fooled the French courts. and there, are those who think they may yet escape punishment.

Mme. Therease is generally given credit for being the brains of the Humbert family. She it was who devised and carried out the fraud. It is said that in twenty years she floated paper to the face value of \$140,000,000 and that her present actual indebtedness is not less than \$12,000,000. She capitalized a dream and from the proceeds lived at the rate of \$600,000 a year for nearly a quarter of a century. Mile. Therese d'Aurignac was born

on a farm near Toulouse pearly , fifty, years ago. She was not exactly a peassht, but her social position was little above that condition. In 1878 she marfied Frederick Humbert, son of Gustave Humbert, who subsequently beand a minister of justice in De Freycinetis cabinet. The position of the elder Humbert gave the family standing in Paris, and soon stories began to be heard of an immense fortune to be inherited by Mime. Humbert from an old relative of

the D'Aurignacs. This story seems not to have been accepted by the Parisians, and then came the story of the Grawford millions.

According to this story, there died at Nice in 1877 a rich American named Robert Henry Crawford, who left Theese Humbert his entire fortune of \$20,000,000 in recognition of the fact that some years before she had saved his life. The fortune was said to be in French bonds. But something had then to be done to raise money on the myth ical legacy, Thereupon Muse. Humbert intro-duced to the game another will and a

MME TREBESE RUMD

couple of nephews of the dead Ameri

can. The will is still in the courts, bu

the nephews are non-cut. As a matter of fact there was no such person as Robert Henry Crawford, and the neph-

Then began a series of suits to deter nine the ownership of the bonds. The 120,000,000 worth of bonds comprising

he estate was by agreement pl

ubtedly managed this corre-

DR. JOHN A. POLLOCK GENERAL ASSEMBLY sealed. It was not to be opened until all the parties to the contest were present and a final agreement was reached. Of course with such security Mme.

Mumbert's credit was good for almost any amount, and the swindle was in full swing. For sixteen years this con tinued, one kind of litigation or anoth-er being employed to keep the case un-settled. Various efforts were made to recover large loans from the Humberts, but these were nearly always unsuccessful. Then the cry of fraud was raised, and the bubble was pricked. The Humberts fied and were arrested in Madrid. The safe was opened. It contained nothing, of course. Now comes the last chapter, the trial.

comes the last chapter, the trial. But even this may come to naught. Politics may stand in the way of their punishment. M. Humbert was at one time deputy, and Mme. Humbert re-ceived at her home some of the most eminent of French statesmen. Premier Waldeck-Rousseau, however, does not seem to have been on their visiting list. He denounced them at a trial against them in 1807 in which he appeared as counsel for the plaintiffs. During his three years of power, however, he took no active steps against them, and this fact has been commented on by the Parisian newspapers: Only a few weeks ago it was openly

obarged in the French chamber of dep-uties that the Humberts were being protected by the authorities and that they would never be convicted. Some of the creditors, seeing that nothing will be realized, will doubtless remain ellent rather than proclaim themselves dupes. Others, however, are eager for revenge and will push the case. Mme. Humbert, it is believed, has plenty of money to secure the best legal talent and will fight to the hitter end.

Didn't Patropies Her Pathers A roung woman living in a suburban village turned her graceful talent for dancing to account by carrying on the instruction of the young folks in the asighborhood in that art. At the beginning of the term her class was at-tended by an awkward, overgrown girl who was buch in need of such culture. She was the daughter of a local under-taker. After two lessons she discon-tinued attendence, and one of her ac-quaintances asked her why she had u up het

Well," said she, "Miss Blank neve es my father, and so I won't be her schoel." - Philadelphia



Discusses Coroners and Insurance in A Short Digest of the Doings of Our The Senate.

AT A DINNER IN THE CAPITAL CITY. THE REVENUE BILL IN THE SENATE.

The Interests of the People Carefully Guarded. The Senator is a Worthy

Representative of the People

The senator from Lenoir is taking an active interest in all legislative matters coming before the assembly at Raleigh. While pushing the in-terests of Kinston and Lenoir county he does not forget the good of the State as a whole. The senator is always at his post of duty, actively participating in the proceedings of the chamber of which he is a member. When the insurance bill was before the senate, Senator Pollock said: MR: PRESIDENT:--I agree heartily with the senator from Chowan, and I think this bill would be oppressive to the people.

to the people. Such questions as this should be left to municipalities, and town officials, in every well appointed town have the in every well appointed town have the needed and necessay laws relating to fire and insurance. I am at once, in opposition to pass any law, that will have a citizen arrested for a misde-meanor by insurance companies and have it placed in superior courts. These fire territories, these soveral laws to have inspectors to oversce and hale our people up to courts meets with disapprobation at my hands and I shall vote against it, and hope the bill will bedefeated. I have no patience with State paternalism. When the senate was considering the subject of coroners, the senator the subject of coroners, the senator

saidt MR. PRESIDENT, -This bill intro MR. PRESIDENT, -This bill in duces by the talented sensior is Buncombe, I cannot believe has carefully considered by him. I loath to think, that he would will set at naught and largely make a tory, the wisdom and experience men whese life work, whose ambit is to better the condition of the hu race, and even after death to p around interment or disinterment around interment or disinterme as feguards due to civilized di This is will practically set as wishes of the North Carolina M society, this law will be an ep

wedge to cripple the useruintss of country physicians. I do hope, sir, the gentleman will withdraw his bill. I most respectfully ask him to leave these matters with physicians, men who are anxious to throw safeguards around every living being, and after death to have his remains only handled by those commetent and lawfully

Lawmakers.

Trustees of University of North Carolina Chosen in Joint Session, Bond Issue in the House Monday.

Saturday, February 28.

Bills were introduced in the senate: To incorporate Denton in Edgecombe;

To incorporate Denton in Edgecombe; to create a stock haw in parts of Pitt county; to incorporate the Southport & Northeastern railway. The revenue bill was made a special order for Monday at noon. The bill was passed authorizing Wilson to issue bonds. Bill passed authorizing Williamston to establish a graded school school.

THE HOUSE.

Bills introduced in the house as follows:

To secure the taking of agricultural statistics; to provide for circulating libraries for public schools; to tax dealers in coca-cola; to prevent hunting in Wayne without landlords, con-sent; to provide for registration of trade marks and labels.

Bills passed as follows: To prevent overcharges in freight and demurrage, and delay in handling cars.

To regulate the sale, inspection and branding of all cotton seed meal, with a tax upon it of 20 cents per ton. The senate and house met in joint session and elected trustees for the University

University.

University. Representative Guion says that the proposed bond issue is too small and will leave the State with a deficit of \$119,000 in the support and mainte-nance of State institutions. The governor and others think the issue should be \$500,000 and that \$600,000 would not be too much.

not be too much. The committees on education held a joint session to consider the matter of State appropriation to the public school, having before it two bills, one by Senator White, another by Repre-senative Smith. State Superintendent Joyner prepared a bill which was ac-cepted as a substitute for these bills. It appropriates \$100,000 to be appor-tioned per capita, and \$109,000 to be given to bring the school term to four months. Where schools receive money from a special tax, this amount will not be counted in the estimate of the amount raised in the country. There was also a discussion before this pommittee of the bill by Repre-sentative Newland to establish a teach-ers' training school for save counties

Moon Worship Among Many Pco les Figures of the moon as religious emblems can be traced to a very high antiquity. The ancient Egyptians had two moon gods-Khons or Khonsu and Tel or Thoth. The latter wore the moon on his head, either as a full moon or as a crescent. The divine honors paid to the cat on the banks of the Nile were probably due to its sup-posed connection with the moon, as shown by the changeable pupil of the feline eyes. In Greece both Phœbus and Phoebe were moon gods, and by Isis the Greeks understood the same planet. The Romans had many gods With them Luna was the moon, the daughter of Hyperion and sister of the

State Libian

sun. According to Livy, the temple of Luna stood on the Avertine. The ancient Goths, Germans and Finns were all moon worshipers, and In ancient Britain the moon occupied a high position in the celestial hier-archy of the Druids, who were always represented as bearing crescents in their hands. It is possible, too, that Andraste, the goddess to whom Boadicea appealed with outstretched hands. was the moon.

Joking Friends In Old Days.

In a romantic and picturesque old hall in Derbyshire, England, is one of those curious relics of bygone times which carry the mind back to the habits and customs of our great-great grandfathers. A handcuff looks a strange thing to be fixed to the screen of the banqueting hall of a baronial at the banqueting han of a baronan mansion, but one is there. When the banquet had advanced toward its ze-nith, if any gentleman among the guests refused to drink the full quan-tity that was deemed the proper thing at that time he was merrily carried to the oak screen and placed with his arm upraised and secured and locked in that position by the iron ring. His sleeve, then wide open, offered a tempt ing receptacle for the wine which he had refused to drink, and the contents

of the goblet, with as much more a the roisterers thought fit, were pource down the unlucky victim's arm, and woe be to him if he did not take the joke in the spirit in which it was giv-en.—Philadelphia Telegraph.

Too Plobelan & Dish.

NORTH STATE Clipped and Culled From Our North Carolina Exchanges.

PRICE TWO CENTS.

Gossip Gathered from Murphy To Manteo of Importance to Our Tar Heel Readers.

Fayeteville Observer: On Wednes-day night, at a negro festival near Sikes' sawmill, 71st, Tom Harrington and Robert Gilmore, two negroes, who got a little drunker than some of the merrymakers, became involved in a quarrel and soon began shooting at each other. Each was struck several times, and both are said to be fatally wounded. In addition to pistol wounds Harrington was badly cut. Asheville, Feb. 28.-Will Watson

Asheville, Feb. 28.-Will Watson was shot and instantly killed last was shot and instantly killed last night at Tipton, a mountain village in Cherokee county. Dick Birtchfield and John Nelson did the shooting. Watson was shot just over the heart and died almost instantly. Both Birtchfield and Nelson made their escape and have not been captured. It is said that the shooting was the out-come of a remark made by Watson concerning Birtchfield's sister.

concerning Birtchfield's sister. Charlotte, Feb.28.—The 15-year-old son of William Oglesby, colored, who lives on Mr. Frank E. Alexander's place, about five miles from Charlotte, was shot and instantly killed yester-day afternoon by John Walker, a negro boy, 17 years old. Walker was brought to Charlotte this morning and preliminary hearing was held before 'Squire S. H. Hilton. The facts as brought out at the hearing, prove beyond a doubt that the killing was accidental. Releich Post: News has reached

Raleigh Post: News has read the city of a horrible accident w occurred at Holly Springs Thurs A negro boy by the name of Lea Boone, who was employed as a for at the saw mill of the Holly Spring at the saw mill of the Holly Spring Land Improvement company victim in the accident which fatal. While attending to his dut he jumped upon the carrige, lost balance and was precipitated into saw. His left leg and right arm we sawed off and his body horribly mu-

And plains of boint a tradition of spiendor is illustrated by this abcolots from Indis. It is related that the vice-roy's eye lighted one day upon a dish at which he gased for a moment with increduility. "What is this?" he de-manded at last. A frembling retainer ware sold. He died in a few hours. Greensboro, Feb. 28.—John Arc John Way and Clint Breedlove, w prisoners in jail here, made an sault on the jailer at 10 o'clock morning, the first two escaping ware soon captured. The jail were soon captured. The jall was below swept by Breedlove, and when jaller May opened the door for trash to be swept out Breedlove threw down his broom and grabbed the jaller. Way and Areber joined forces and got the jailer's pistol and keys. Leav-ing him and Breedlove to fight it out they made their escape. The jaller soon bad Breedlove disabled and the alarm of the escape being given Archer was caught by a policeman one block away, and Way by another officer in less time than a quarter of an hour. <text><text><text> an hour. Washington correspondence Raleigh Post: Citizens of Wilson are making What's in a Name? Everything is in the name when it comes to Witch Hazel Salve. E.C. DeWitt & Co., of Chicago, discov

In buying gems always beg, buy or borrow a microscope and examine the stone carefully through the telltale lens.' Flaws invisible to the naked eye which depreciate or entirely destroy the value of the gem will be easily recognized. It is really throwing money away to invest in costly stones without this examination, as many jewel lovers have found to their cost.—Good Housekeeping.

He flot the Limit.

"Do you believe there is anything prophetic in dreams?" "Believe it! 1 know it. Only the

other night I dreamed that I was at a church fair and awoke to find that my wife had been through my pockets and taken my last sou."-Baltimore News.

Permission.

Fond Mother-My son, did not your father forbid you learning to smoke? Young America-No. ma. When I asked him if I might smoke, he said. "Not much!"

Distant Relatives.

"I have only the most distant rela-

"Has the family died out?", "No. They have all become rich."

Abbert Henry Crawford, and the neph-ews were also inventions. This second will was produced by one of themephews, who gave to a Ha-vre in wyer power to act as his attor-ney. This lawyer never saw his client, but he received over 5,000 letters from him as well as large fees. Mme. Hum-bert undoubtedly managed this corre-A Bemarkable Case. One of the most remuri a le cases of a cold, deep-sected on the lungs, caus-ing pneumonis, is that of Mrs. Ger-trude E. Fenner, Marion, Iod., who was entirely oured by the use of One Minute Cough Cure. She says: "The coughing and statisting so weakened me that I run down in weight from 148 to 92 pounds. I tried a number of remedies to no avail until I used One Minute Cough Cure. Four bottles of this wonder this remedy sured me entirely of the cough, strengthened my lungs and restored me to my normal weight, health and strength." J. E. Hood.

by those competent and lawfully authorized to do so. At a dine-out given by Judge Clark, of Raleigh to a few of his friends, February 28th, 7 p. m. among the guests were: Col. Henderson, Judge guests were: Col. Henderson, Judge Graham and Senator Pollock, of enoir

Judge Clark not only ranks along side the first jurists in the United States, but he is also a charming en-tertainer, and amiably reflects the chivalric hospitality of ante-bellum days.

Queer Woman.

"Yes, all the other women in the neighborhood consider her a suspicious characten."

"You don't say! Why is that?" "She never gossips at all."-Philadel-

phia Press.

Fine Outlook.

"What's the outlook for a newspaper in this town?' "Finest in the world. Editor's up in a. tree, an' sees, over the whole coun try !"-Atlanta Constitution.

Hodern Education. She with a geometric sector Can trace the radius vector And can give the sub's diameter in feet: She can address the grunn. Classify the copilo surum. But she cannot tell, a cabbage from, het

See Stalley Schlenge News

The Autor Dresser New Boarder Who is that makin ch a noise because he can't find hi Landledy-Oh. that is the no dresses so quietly .-- Ph

Ouris Cancer and Blood Poison. If you have blood boison productions, pimples, ulcers, swo lands, humps and risings, burn swoll raptons, pimples, cleers, swollen clands, humos and risings, burning, tahing skin, copper-colored spots or nath on the skin, nuccous patches in nouth or throat, falling hair, bone isnos, old rheumatism or foul catarrh, sky Botanic Blood Balm (B. B. B.) skills the poison in the blood; soon il sores, cruptions heat, hard swell-ugs subside, aches and pains stop od a period cure is made of the orat cases of Blood Polson. For caccer, humors, swellings, eat-ing sores, ugly ulcers, persistent pim-es of all kinds, take B. B. B. It istroys the cancer poison in the bood, heats cancer of all kinds, cures e worst humors or suppursting willing. Thousands cured by B. B after all also fails. B. B. R

ers" training school for seven counties in northwestern North Carolins, in-cluding Caldwell, Watauga and others.

Littlefield's List of 800 Trusts.

Washington, D. C., Feb. 28.-It will be difficult for the Republicans to run be difficult for the Republicans to run away from the trust issue in fature, or to deny, as did Senstor Hanna in 1909, that there are any trusts. One of their leading congressmen, Hon. Chus. E. Littlefield, of Maine, whom the admin-istration last year select d to present the only Simon-pure anti-trust bill in congress, has settled this discussion in his party. Mortified, perhaps be-cause his bill was shelved by the trusts which controlled his party, he resolved to hit them and their agents in con-gress a back-handed swipe which would make them gamp for breath. He got together and published in the Con-gressional Re ord a "list of trusts"--not corporations simply, but real

gressional Rc ford a "list of trusts"--not corporations simply, but real trusts--which fills more than six pages of the Congressional R cord. He says of this list that it "contains the grand total of nearly 800 trusts, with a total capitalization of nearly fourieen bil-lions. These totals are fully 33 per cent larger than those of any other list fither or published." This list puts in the shade any list published by the Democrats, or any aimanad or year book. It must make Senster Hauns's hair curl to see this list put into the Rccord by a great Re-publican. Had the list included rail-roads, structurally all of which are now merged so that they do not com-pete with each other, about \$11,000;-000,000 more of capital would have been added, making a total of \$25,-006,000,000 of capital in trusts and monopolies. As the total wealth of this country

As the total wealth of this country about \$90,000,000 and as about

monopolles. As the total wealth of this country is about \$90,000,000,000 and us about two-thirds of all is in real estate and improvements, and farm animals, im-plements and products, it is evident that the trusts have nearly completed the sir, if the trusts wish "new worlds to cooquer." We now understand why the cost of living is going up and is greater than ever before at this season of the year seconding to Dunn's "ibder num-er" of commodity prices for February I. The trusts are gradually putting on the pressure and giving us fill we fill stand. They have the power and build serve prices up higher but they weeler to provide contiously and judi-tiously. Give them time and have us morigaged so beavily that our children—if they submit as merity dampinely as we do—will be hope-easily bounded and competivities pays when to the irons, which will own all a have and before the will own all. which will own

gasped that it was rice pudding. No less a personage than the viceroy's con-sort had ordered the humble pudding which eminent statesmen may be seen enting at their clubs with undisguised enjoyment any day of the parliamen-tary session. But the viceroy frowned. "Take it away," he said. "Never let me see such a thing again." This is how the orient differs from the occident. Rice pudding might have ruined the dignity of the vice regal table in native opinion.

Chinese Transportation Methods. The cheapest method of transporta-tion in the world is that by Chinese funks that are dragged up and down their winding rivers by strings of sweating men, who are paid only 8 sweating men, who are paid only 8 cents a day for their work and have to pay their board out of that small sum. Next in cheapness to transportation by junk is transportation by camel team. This method is used in distributing coal. Great numbers of Mongolian completed by a strange theorem that camels, led by a string through their plerced noses and tied one to the other. plerced noses and tied one to the other, each carrying two baks of ceal string across their backs between the humps, are to be seen winding their way from the cold mines to the larger cities in northern. China and covering with their owinging steps about twenty

miles a day.

the plat Trae Borey.

"Prisoner," sale the judge, "you are convicted of bigamy, of having married two wives. Have you any plet for mercy before the sentence of the court is iniposed on you?"

"Yes. Judge." said the prisoner. "Give me as big a sentence in fall as you can.""What?"

"I want to keep out of the clutches of those two wives as long as I can, and a long jail sentence will be true mercy." -Baltimore Herald.

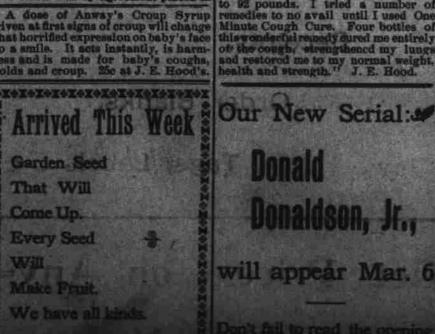
An Undestrable Place. Wenry Wraggies-Hey! You won't git nothin' decent in dere. Dem people is vegetations Hungry Hank-Is dat right?

Wenry Wraggles-Yeb, an' dey got a log w'st ain't.-Philadelphia Press.

Letter to N. J. Rou

Kinston, N. C. Dear Sir: The late president of the Croton Biver Bank, as Brewsters, N. Y., built the finest house in all that region, in 1823, and painted it with load and off at a cost of \$400-the house cost

In 1857-three years he repainted it rith Devoe at a cost of \$350. In 1897 his paint was in prod condition. Logiand of 160 three wats. Devoe



Our New Serial: Donald