GENERAL NEWS ITEMS

Matters of Interest Condensed Into Brief Paragraphs.

A LITTLE ABOUT NUMEROUS THINGS

The Pith of the World's News That Might Interest Our Readers. An Item Here and There.

About four thousand persons are killed each year on London's streets. Great excitement pervades the cotton market. May sold at 11:31, July at 10:91 and August at 10:55.

The governor of Pennsylvania has signed a bill making it unlawful to employ children under 16 years of age in or about the mines.

Mrs. Roland B. Molineaux establisted a legal residence in South Da-kota yesterday and will begin pro-ceedings for divorce immediately.

The New York police are making every effort to find the man who sent the internal machine to the Cunard dock on last Friday. It is believed now that the guilty man bought a suit of clothes in Raleigh recently.

A report of the Porto Rican judiciary committee opposes a change in the present form of government in the island declaring that it now escapes taxation for national purposes and that the entire revenues are used for the benefit of

Berlin, May 13.—At the Vatican it is now considered certain that while Archbishop Ireland will not be created a cardinal at the next consistory, he will receive the red hat at a consistory to be held at the end of the present year when a new English cardinal will also be created.

William H. Jackson, a Maryland Republican member of congress will ask the discontinuance of a post office to which a negro has been recently ap-pointed. Congressman Jackson says the post office is unnecessary. The postmaster is the first colored appoin-tee in Maryland.

New York, May 13.—The backbone of the subway strike was broken today when work was practically resumed. Although the Italian workers are holding out for two dollars a day it is be-lieved a majority of the strikers will return. There is less violence than in the first few days of the strike.

The new days of the strike.

The new arbitration treaty just arranged between Mexico, Bolivia, Argentina, Peru, San Domingo, Guatemala, Paraguay, Salvador and Uruguay has been signed by President Diaz and the diplomatic representatives in Mexico of the countries mentioned. Under this treaty all controversies between these countries are to be submitted to a board of arbitration unless the grievances are such as to unless the grievances are such as to imperil the honor or independence of either nation.

Laporte, Ind., May.—An operation for the removal of an eye Thursday at the Holy Family hospital brought to light a most unusual circumstance, one which in medical annals is considered which in medical annals is considered a rarity. After removing the right eye of Philander Loomis of Westville, which for eleven years had been totally blind, it was found that it had turned into a stone. The formation of the stone is accounted for by the fact that the blood in passing through the vitrous humor had deposited lime salts, which in time had made the stone as large as it now is. large as it now is.

Richard Henry Stoddard Is Dead.

New York, May 12.—Richard Henry Stoddard, the poet, died today at his residence in this city. Mrs. Stoddard died less than a year ago, and his son, Lorimer Stoddard, is also dead. Mr. Stoddard was the only one of the fam-

For a week past he had been confined to his bed with rheumatism of the heart and ills incident to old age.

Mr. Stoddard was born in Bingham, Mass., on July 2, 1825.

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Did you say DRUGS? Then HOOD'S!

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How Sleigh Bella Are Made. "The making of sleigh bells is quite an art," says an iron founder. "The little iron ball is too big to be put in through the holes in the bell, and yet It is inside. How did it get there? The little iron ball is called 'the jinglet.' When you shake the sleigh bell it jingles. In making the bell the jinglet is put inside a little ball of mud, just the shape of the inside of the bell. Then a mold is made, just the shape of the outside of the bell. This mud ball with the jinglet inside is placed in the mold of the outside, and the metal is poured in, which fills up the space between the ball and the mold.

"When the mold is taken off, you see a sleigh beil, but it will not ring, as it is full of dirt. The hot metal that the bell is made of dries the dirt so that it can be shaken out. After the dirt is all shaken out of the holes in the bell the little iron jigglet will still be in the beli and will ring. It took a good many years to think out how to make a sleigh bell."

The Minister's Family.

At a conference of ministers of one of the smaller American denominations the question of the insufficiency of some of the salaries was being argued. One brother who was stationed at a mission post made a strong plea for an increase in salary. "To properly provide my family with the necessities," he said, "is a serious problem." "How many children have you?" asked a sympathetic brother of the cloth. "I have four boys, and each one has a sister," was the prompt reply. Immediately the sympathetic friend took the floor. "How is it possible that our brother can provide even the barest necessities for his eight children"- "I did not say I had eight children; the boys have the same sister."

A Defense of the Spanish Woman. More awful rubbish is written about the people, especially the women, of Latin countries than of almost anything else. Take them all, the sparkling daughters of Andalusia, the nobly grave women of the Castiles, the enchanting Valencianas, the ruddy cheeked women of the Asturias and of Galicia, the robust and wholesome Catalonians, the proud Aragonesas, and they make up a national grouping of women bard to surpass for charm and verve.-Mexican Herald.

Salary and Wages.

Daughter - Yes, pa, there are two young men who have asked me to marry, and both are nice fellows. Father-And are both in a way to

support you? Daughter-I think so. Phil tells me he has a tidy salary, and George says he is receiving good wages.

Father-You choose George, and you will make no mistake, I think. At any rate, it's safer to marry a man who has wages than one who has a salary.-Boston Transcript.

He Saw the Finish

Little Elmer while out walking with his nurse saw a blacksmith shoeing a horse and upon returning home said, "Mamma, I saw the man who makes

"Are you sure you did?" asked mam-

"Of course I am," replied Elmer, "He had one nearly finished when I saw him. He was just nailing on its behind feet."-Chicago News.

"Ah, Sam, so you've been in trouble,

"Yes, Jim." "Well, cheer up, man. Adversity tries us and shows up our better qualities." "Ah, but adversity didn't try me. It was a solemn old judge, and be showed up my worst qualities."

Something in the Filling.

"Do you know you can tell a man's disposition by his teeth?" asked the girl who believes in signs, bumps and palm reading.

"How interesting!" said her compan ion, who did not believe in anything. "Then Jack must have a golden dispo

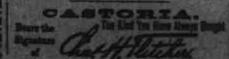
Again var Queer Language, "Queer language, isn't it?" "Why so?"

"Because of sickness I had to sen my shorthand writer home yesterday."

"That left me shorthanded."-Cleve land Plain Dealer.

The world has a million roosts for a man, but only one nest.-O. W. Holmes.

In almost every neighborhood someone has died from an attack of colic or cholera morbus, often before medicine could be procured or a physician summoned. A reliable remedy for these diseases should be kept at hand. The risk is too great for anyone to take. Chamberlain's Colic, Cholera and Diarrhoea Remedy has undoubtedly saved the lives of more people and relieved more pain and suffering than any other medicine in use. It can always be depended upon. For sale by I. E. Hood, druggist. Too Great a Risk.



END OF THE HACKNEY.

How He Is Worn Out In the Service of Society.

The prancing, high stepping backneys that draw the shiny carriages of the rich are often driven the pace that kills. In "Horses Nine" Sewell Ford tells the story of such a horse and his mate and how they were worn out. The author says: Seeing them come down the street, heads tossing, pole chains jingling, the crest and monogram of the house of Jerry glistening on quarter cloth and rosette, their polished hoofs seeming barely to touch the asphalt, you might have thought their lot one to be envied. But Bonfire knew better.

He curved his neck and threw his hoofs high, whether his muscles ached or no; in winter he stamped to keep warm, in summer to dislodge the flies; he did his work faithfully, early or late, in cold and in heat, and all this because he was a son of Sir Bardolph and for the reason that it was his nature to. Had it been put upon him he would have worked in harness until he dropped, prancing his best to the last.

No supreme test, however, was ever brought to the endurance and willingness of Bonfire. They just kept him on the pole, nerves tense, muscles strained, until he began to lose form. His action no longer had that grace and abandon which so pleased Mrs. Jerry when she first saw him. Long standing in the cold numbs the muscles. It robs the legs of their spring. Sudden starts, such as are made when you are called from line after an hour's waiting, finish the business. Try as he might Bonfire could not step so high, could not carry a perfect crest. His neck had lost its roundness, in his rump a crease had appeared.

At last the inevitable happened. Two young hackneys, plump of neck, round of quarter, springy of knee and bock, were brought to the stable. Bonfire and his mate were led out of their old stalls to return no more. They had been worn out in the service and cast aside like a pair of old gloves.

POSTAL ODDITIES.

With one exception there has been a deficit in postal revenues every year since 1835.

tended.

Mail matter of any kind addressed in a vague and indefinite way, such as to "the most prominent physician,"

etc., is not deliverable. Benjamin Franklin, first postmaster general, boasted that under his administration all the cities of the country

had been provided with a weekly mail. One may mail a letter destined for foreign parts without prepayment of It will go forward to destina tion, and the recipient will be required to pay double rates for the privilege of reading it if he values it sufficiently.

At the Chicago post office a record is kept of the different ways of spelling the name of that city on mail address es. At last accounts 280 varieties had been tabulated. Among the less intricate of these are Zizazo, Jagjago, Hipabo, Jajijo and Chachicho.

Was Man Made For Microbes? Some contend that the earth was made for ants rather than man, since the former are so much more unmer ous. Others still, reading about how many million bacteria inhabit every cubic inch of air and water, are inclined to assert that the world-and man, too-was made for them. Each variety of living creature probably thinks everything made for it.-Baltimore Sun.

Two of a Kind. "I took great pains with that pudding we had for dinner." remarked the

young wife.
"And so did I. my dear." rejoin the husband as he poured out a double of cholera mixture.-Chicago

The Novel Render, Coddle-Whenever I see you, you are ding a novel. You don't mean to say you remember all of them?

Short—Dear me, no! It's because I don't remember them I like to read them.—Boston Transcript.

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SHOT IN HIS ROOM

Percy Jones, An Insurance Agent, Shot Last Night in Wilson.

FIFTEEN MEN ENTERED HIS ROOM

And Shot Him to Death. Had Been Notified to Leave the City. Used to Live Here.

As a result of an awful tragedy that occurred in Wilson last night, Percy Jones, an insurance agent is dead, John Allen, of Wilson, lies in the hospital, shot in the shoulder, 11 young men of Wilson are behind prison bars

men of Wilson are behind prison bars charged with murder, and four other young men of the city are fugitives from justice at this hour, 2 p. m.

Those in jail as learned by THE FREE PRESS by telephone are J. B. Piver, Lawrence Morgan, Bill Ward, Tom Best, Bill Barnes, S. J. Walls, W. P. Croom, John Pittman, W. H. Rich and two others whose names were not learned, all young men about town. not learned, all young men about town, and John Allen is in the hospital with a bullet in his shoulder received in the

hooting.
The circumstances are as nearly ould be learned as follows:

agent, who hails from Arkansas, and who claims to be a close relative of ix-Senator Jas. K. Jones, of that state, was notified yesterday by a man in Wilson, named G. L. Whitley, that he must leave the city before midnight under a penalty of summary purish. under a penalty of summary punishment being dealt out to him, on account of some unwholesome sentiment attached to him concerning gambling. Whitley was placed under a \$200 bond for his threat until the coming Saturday when there was to be peace

warrant proceedings brought against im. Jones falled to leave town as instructed, and last night between 12 and 1 o'clock 15 young men went to his room and Jones was killed, and in the shooting, John Allen, one of the party, was shot in the shoulder.

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All of those captured by the officers were placed in jail pending trial which will be held this afternoon.

Percy Jones was in Kinston last fall working insurance and is remembered by quite a number of people as being

Thousands of letters are mailed every day without the vestige of an address to indicate for whom they are iners who arrested him some time ago on a charge of larceny and which he showed to be a mistake and was not tried for. For this he was to sue the

cerned in the shooting was a former ion. The moment it was understood resident of this city and is well known that a fatal mistake had been made the here, having been proprietor of a tail-oring establishment.

Manchuria Free to all Comers.

Paris, May 12.—The Russian charge d'affaires, M. Plancon, has given reas-surances regarding Manchuria. He has issued an official notice that all Man-churia is open to foreign travel and adds that passports are no longer nec-

There were 500 Russian soldiers at New Chwang, who were removed about the date fixed for the evacuation, and the date fixed for the evacuation, and the same number returned to New Chwang. It appears that the Russian force which returned to the Liao forts merely used the forts as temporary resting places, while journeying southward to their station on the peninsular. The United States consul at New Chwang has arrived here to confer with Minister Conger.

Denies the Charge

Buffalo, May 13.—National Committeeman Norman E. Mack issued a statement today denying that he favored any particular candidate for president, either ex-president Cleveland or anyone else. All he said in St. Louis was, that Cleveland was accorded a cordial and spontaneous reception there, and that at the proper time he (Mack) would favor the candidacy of a New York Democrat for the presidency.

Territory added to Great Britain.

London, May 12,—Colonial Secretary Chamberlain announced in the house of commons to-day that as a result of the British military operations in the Sokoto Kano districts, ending with the capture of the emir of Kano, 100,000 square miles of territory has been added to Northern Nigeria and would be administered by the government of that territory. ***********************************

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DOES NOT EXCITE THE NERVES

Insanity Fatal to Negro Race.

Atlanta, May 11.—Decidedly the most sensational feature of the conference of charities and corrections was the statement made by experts today that the negro race is in danger of being destroyed by insanity. The discussion was brought about by a paper read by Dr. Searcy, superintendent of the Alabama hospital for the insane, who claimed that his experience showed that insanity was increasing among the negroes at an alarming ing among the negroes at an alarming

"Before the war the negroes were of the most splendid physique and pos-sessed of the finest health of any race in the world. This was due to the fact that the negroes were forced by their masters and their mistresses to be cleanly and to live a sanitary life.
"But conditons have changed. With

freedom thrust upon them the negroes were left to hustle for themselves. They had no money and were forced to go scantily clad and live upon food cast aside by the white people. With out any one to direct them they became filthy, and the conditions under which they have lived have been unsanitary. As an evidence of how they live I call your attention to the fact that only recently a house was raided by the po-lice in which 17 negroes, men, women and children, were found living together within one small room, without a single bedstead and only a handful of dirty, unsanitary bed clothing to

have gone insane and let them die? If there is any such thing as genuine philanthrophy, if there is truly a dis-interested and unselfish desire on the part of the delegates to this conference and of people all over the country, let

Russia Was Dumfounded.

New York, May 12.- In the light of information from several sources Russia's abandonment of her aggressive straight-forward young man. He stopped at the Nunn and Cherry hotel and was an Odd Fellow and frequently visited the lodge while here.

Mr. Emmet Wooten, of Wooten & Wooten, was retained as counsel in the case against Whitley to come off Saturday and was in communication terms of evacuation submitted to China. It was hoped that opposition to these evening concerning the case. Jones also had a case against the city of Wilson and the bondsmen of the offinant statement of the offinance of the offi

Serious interference by the United States was utterly unexpected, while the great national indignation which showed to be a mistake and was not the great national indignation which city for damages and had retained Wooten & Wooten, of this city, to assist in prosecuting the case.

Mr. S. J. Walls, one of the men consignificance of American public opin-

Jacksonville Inundated.

Jacksonville, Fla., May 13.—The rain, which fell incessantly all day yesterday and all last night assumed this morning about daybreak almost the proportions of a cloudburst, and when the citizens prepared to leave for their places of business, many of them found their homes completely surrounded by

Many were driven from their residences or forced to go to upper stories by the water that in some cases reached the level of the first story window. In all as much as one square mile of the town was under water. Fully half a mile of Bay street, the principal thoroughfare of the city, was under water and much damage was done to stocks of goods. On this street a mule hitched to a wagon got beyond its depth and was drowned and the driver attempting to cut it from the vehicle. attempting to cut it from the vehicle, nearly lost his life. Skiffs and later in the day a naptha launch was plying on Bay street, removing people from their submerged homes.

Store to Elevate Negro.

Little Rock, Ark., May 13.—Gov. Davis received a letter yesterday from Chicago, signed by Julius T. Hirsch,

"It is the intention with the aid of Andrew Carnegie and under the aus-picles of Booker T. Washington, to establish in Louisville, Ky., or New Orleans, La., a large department dry goods store, exclusively with colored help, in order to elevate the colored race and educate them in the commercial pursuits of life. Will your excel-

lency be good enough to give me your view upon this unique enterprise?"

The governor, in reply, said that he considered the social elevation of the colored race all nonsense. He believes the negro would do much better if let alone and that his natural place is in the field.

GREATLY ALARMED

By a Persistent Cough, but Permanently Cured by Chamberlain's Cough Remedy. Mr. H. P. Burbage, a student at law in Greenville, S. C., had been troubled for four or five years with a continuous cough which he says, "greatly alarmed me, causing me to fear that I was in the first stage of consumption." Mr. Burbage, having seen Chamberlain's Cough Remedy advertised, concluded to try it. Now read what he says of it: "I soon felt a remarkable change and after using two bottles of the twenty-five cents size, was permanently pured." Sold by J. E. Hood, drurgist.

NORTH STATE NEWS

Clipped and Culled From Our North Carolina Exchanges.

ODD AND INTERESTING HAPPENINGS.

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

Rev. B. B. Culbreth, one of the oldest members of the North Carolina Methodist conference, died at Cary Tuesday and was buried at Mt. Olive Wednesday.

Guilford county Tuesday voted by a handsome majority to issue \$300,000 of bonds to macadamize the public roads. The bonds will run for thirty years and bear 4 per cent. interest.

Local freight No. 64 on the Southern boat freight No. 54 on the Southern struck a horse and buggy near Cowpens Tuesday morning, killing the horse and demolishing the vehicle. In the buggy was a lady who was tossed into the air, but miraculously escaped without a scratch.

Travel over Neuse river bridge at Newbern was stopped Tuesday by the barge C. C. Dale, of Philadelphia, which was towed by the tug Helen, of Philadelphia. The barge became unruly, running into the draw and wrecking it. Much of the iron work went to the bottom of the river.

The corner stone of the splendid new main building of the North Carolina Methodist orphanage just west of the city of Raleigh, was laid with Masonia ceremony Tuesday afternoon under the most auspicious circumstances, and it is expected that the building will be ready for occupancy by the early fall.

Raleigh Post: Mr. Robert C. Strong returned yesterday from Fayetteville where he went as attorney for the Western Union Telegraph Company. Miles Hall instituted suit against the company because he did not receive a telegram relieving his anxiety about a sick relative. The case was continued. At the same term a suit against the Seaboard Air Line for \$40,000 damages for failing to furnish a shipper cars was compromised by paying the plaintiff \$750.

A Washington dispatch says: "The immigration officials of the treasury have decided to have the 390 immihave decided to have the 390 immigrants taken from the barkentine Vers Cruz III, which went ashore off Ocracoke Inlet. N. C., inspected at Newbern, N. C. The revenue cutter Boutwell with the immigrants aboard has arrived at Newbern. An inspector and an interpreter from Baltimore have been dispatched to make the inspection. The agents of the Vera Cruz at New Bedford, Mass., to which port the barkentine was bound, have been notified to have a representative at Newbern."

Scotland Neck Commonweith: The body of a white boy about 15 or 16 years of age was discovered on the railroad about three miles north of body was horribly mangled, and

body was horribly mangled, and more than one train may have passed over it. Captain Wiley, the section master, took up the remains of the body in shovels, as it was scattered for some distance along the track, and brought it to Enfield where a coroner's inquest was held. The body was identified as that of Clyde Lucas, of Dunn, N. C. The engineer who first identified him, saw the boy in Richmond before his train left there, and he told the engineer that he intended to beat his way south. It was a southbound freight train, No. 209, and it is supposed he fell from the train in the night.

Statesville Landmark: Some days

statesville Landmark: Some days ago a girl who says she is under four-teen years of age, daughter of a man named Johnson, who lives in Eagle Mills township, ran away from home and went to the home of her relatives near Olin. Her father went there in pursuit of her, carrying his gun and threatening to kill the girl, it is said. News of the matter came to the ears of Capt. J. A. Stikeleather, who is a justice of the peace, and he questioned the child with the result that he issued a warrant for her father, charging incest and rape. Before the warrant was issued, however, the brute took alarm and fied, and it is reported that he has gone to Wilkes county, from whence he moved to Iredell about three years ago. A warrant has been sent to Wilkes county. ago. A warrant has been sent to Wilkes county for him.

Wilmington Messenger: Messrs. Daniel Gurganus and W. R. Tetterton, Wilmington Messenger: Messrs. Daniel Gurganus and W. R. Tetterton, of Bath, were in the city yesterday. Both of these gentlemen were candidates for mayor of Bath, and when the votes were counted out last Tuesday, each had received 26 votes for this high office. After the result had been ascertained Mr. Gurganus appeared before the poll holders and claimed that he had been elected, as the ballots for Tetterton were illegal, not being the size according to law. This constituted Gurganus' contention. Both of the gentlemen were here yesterday to consult an attorney. Several propositions were passed between them. Yesterday afternoon Tetterton made a proposition that they go before the board at Bath, state the facts and let the board decide the contention. Gurganus accepted provided he could state he was the legally elected candidate, but he would resign for the sake of harmony and then the commissioners could elect whom they chose, provided Tetterton agreed. What will be the outcome of this fight is not known. It is most interesting.