THANKSGIVING. A brief history would not be untimely. After the first harvest of received less than half as many the colonists in New England in votes as Exum received in 1892, 1821, Governor Bradford made provision for thanksgiving of members to the next Legislature prayer and praise to God. In 1823 than to the last. So it seems that the pilgrim fathers of the Ply- the Democratic party in North correspondent of the Statesville mouth colony (Mass.) met to pray | Carolina is growing stronger and | Landmark. for rain during a drouth. The rain the Populist party weaker. came-it was changed to a service of thanksgiving.

The custom gradually became common to offer thanksgiving to God after each harvest in the different colonies. During the Revolutionary war, Congress yearly recommended a thanksgiving. Washington recommended such a day after the American constitution was adopted-occasionally a president would follow his example till Lincoln in 1863 made a proclamation for a national observance. Since 1863 an annual proclamation by the president has been issued, recommending the people to meet in their respective houses of worship to return thanks to the beneficent providence for His innumerable blessings.

The governors of the different States gradually came into the dutiful practice of naming the same day, for the same purpose.

These proclamations are recommendatory and advisory, only. Yet, as such, because convenient, and as citizens of a common country, we should meet together as render gratitude to the "giver of gift," and this can but have a wholesome influence on the world, and be made as it should be a special occasion, out of our ability to help the worthy, needy poor, which acts would prove our gratitude to be true.

A PROBLEM.

In Asheville, we see from the Citizen, democrats are arranging to call a public meeting to begin the domination. Their unfitness, in suffrage, causes this, and from vagrancy caused by their thriftlessness. This problem is not yet worked out in several Southern States, but is being solved. It should be worked out not on lines of race prejudice, nor on lines of violation or a straining of the meaning of law. It should be approached openly, as it will bethere is nothing to hide. While the law stands, it should be obeyed -that all lawfully registered and qualified voters should be allowed spent to debauch votes. to vote. But the remedy is: See that they are lawfully qualified, if not, send them to the penitentiary. white or black. Again: Let all the intelligent and white people of the State, and South, stand together as one man for the passage of laws qualifying suffrage, without regard to color, but with every regard to a just qualification for voting. Only a capenter of some kind can build a house, but any man of 21 can vote. When in power the democrats should have passed such a law,-their leniency then is unappreciated.

The republicans since 1865 have commission of the unheard of folly | that the punishment may be in the and wrong of empowering millions with the legal right of suffrage, with qualifications on the part of a very few to discharge it. Such a thing never occurred in history before. Some republicans have wanted to disfranchise them, but little is said of it. The laws that benefit the whites, generally benefit the negroes. But he is solid. because of his party leaders, for the other side. He is to be pitied more than blamed-his party is to blame. But we are not unfriendly to the negro. We have been brought up, till near grown, on the same Southern plantation with him. Unqualified white voters who could not come up to a reasonable, just law on voting should. also, be distranchised. If one party loses more votes than the other, no one is to blame.

This would settle the domination problem for good; this would stop the occupation of the professional politician in a great measure; this would stop colonizing schemes for the sake of "practical politics," and send some of the loaf. ers about towns and cities out into the broad healthy fields of work

and plenty of food for them. We by no means would arouse race prejudice, but we are most heartily in favor of a qualified, in head and heart, American citizenship. This is the foundation of an enduring republic-it is the civil

safety of the South

It is comforting to know that the Democrats have elected more members to the next Legislature of North Carolina than they had in the last, and proves that instead of losing ground, the Democracy of the State is advancing. The figures show that Watson, the Democratic candidate for Governor this year, received more Thanksgiving week is passing, votes than Carr received in 1892. Guthrie, the Populist candidate, and the Populists elected fewer

> The figures show that the voters of North Carolina were aroused this year as never before. The fullest vote on record was polled. The total vote for electors was 329,729, being 49,064 in excess of the vote heretofore polled. The Bryan electors received 174,488, and the McKinley electors 155,222, majority for Bryan of 19,266. In 1892 the total vote was 280,665, of which Cleveland received 132,951, Harrison 100,342, and Weaver 44.736, with 2,636 scattering. In 1888 the vote was larger by 5,000 than it was in 1892, standing, Cleveland 147,902, Harrison 134,-784, with 2,787 scattering. The New York Sun tries to stir

up feeling by pointing out that nearly all the old Confederate they were for repudiation, dishonor, anarchy, etc. Such mean, low flings are returned with contempt. But we should try to forgive the base standerer of six or more millions that voted for Bryan. Such a course will injure the other side. recommended. It is our duty to It comes from the narrow view taken, as if New York was the every good and every perfect hub of financial knowledge and Dana was its prophet.

The Caucasian, of which the W. Ayer, is editor and business manager, was levied on last week and put in the hands of the sheriff; consequently the Caucasian failed to appear last week. An unpaid paper bill was the trouble. We Senator Butler, who is president solution of the problem of negro of the company which owns the great measure, to exercise the and the publication of the paper will be resumed.

> At a meeting of Nashville, Tennessee democrats they huri back with contempt the allegations, without evidence, of the New York Sun, the New York Post, the Mail and Express, and other republican papers that Tennessee was carried by fraud of the democrats. They say it is an infamous slander. They want the republicans to investigate. Then they can show how much money the republicans

> ever, says the Charlotte Observer, with reference to the State appropriation to the University. And it acted wisely. Our common public schools and State institutions are parts of our complete support each other. And it is Cæsar's work to look after the State institutions.

As various religious bodies are urging, so by all means it is hoped that the next Legislature will pass a law for the separation of youthbeen solely responsible for the ful criminals from old violators. nature of a reformation, instead of making them worse.

> In the nation 6,221,152 votes were cast for Bryan an Sewall, and | thenticated. 139,570 for Palmer and Buckner. And the followers of the old Generals talk about reorganizing democracy. This surely is the tail wagging if it ever wagged.

The Republican National Committee has about \$90,000 left to start business on in the next campaign. It spent \$2,500,000 to elect McKinley-

Bryan carried 22 States and Mc-Kinley 23. If the Kentucky contest is decided in Bryan's favor,

the number will be reversed. One strange thing happened

was victorious! According to the statement of contract to deliver a series of management of himself and V. E. ning at Atlanta, Ga., late in December. The monetary consideration is said to be \$50,000 for 50 ectures.

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Evangelist Fife is holding a neeting at Henderson.

A new \$110,000 cotton mill at Henderson will begin operations December 1st.

Next year the Western North Carolina Methodist conference will meet at Asheville

The Rutherford Democrat has been changed to the Vidette. Rev. G. A. Hough is still editor. The next session of the Baptist

State Convention will be held in Oxford in December of next year. Mr. N. I. Deal, of Vashti, killed 552 pounds, says the Taylorsville

The Wadesboro Messenger gives t out as a fact that Cot. O. H. Dockery will prove a factor in the senatorial fight before the Legislature in January.

Mr. W. L. James, the engineer who lost his life in the railway acident near Round Knob last week, was a member of the Knights of Pythias, and was insured for \$10,-Mrs. John Howard, widow of the

stituted suit against the Southern Railway company for \$50,000 damages, says the Asheville Citizen. According to the Raleigh News and Observer, the State Legislature will consist of: The Senate, populists 24, republicans 17, democrats

ocrats 35, populists 34, doubtful 2. Kenilworth Inn. at Asheville, changed management Monday, says the Citizen, by the retirement of States were for Bryan. It says Henry Clair, who has been the lessee of the inn for the past six managerial desk of C. E. Lindsey, of the Bon Air, the resort house of Augusta, Ga.

In session at Newbern, week before last, the North Carolina Synod established the Presbytery of Asheville out of eleven counties in the western part of the Mecklenburg Presbytery, as follows: Buncombe, Madison, Henderson, Haywood, Transylvania, Jackson, Swain, Graham, Clay, Cherokee and Macon. The new Presbytery newly elected State Auditor, Hal will contain 19 churches and about 1,000 members.

The marriage of Miss T. Aylmer Griffin, of Salisbury, and Mr. J. E. Hennessee, manager of the Union News Company's business in that town, was solemnized in St. Luke's Episcopal church, in Salisbury, at see in the papers this week that 10 o'clock Tuesday morning, Nov. Senator Butler who is president 24th, Rev. F. J. Murdock officiating. After the ceremony the Cancasian, has paid the judgment train for Richmond, Washington and other Northern points.

The Salisbury World learns that Engineer Terrell, who was in charge of the helper engine when it collided with the vestibule on the Western road Tuesday night of last week, is thought to be losng his mind. The World says Mr. Terrell has been confined to his home since the wreck and the deaths of Engineer James and Fireman Howard have weighed so heavily on his mind that it is feared it will result in madness.

Governor Carr has issued an orfor the purpose of determining the

SOME OLD PEOPLE, North Carolina Claims the Oldest We

man-Other Old Folks. Mrs. Hollifield, of Rutherford

quite active. Her age is well auworld. The census of 1890 shows that in Servia there were in 1890,

25, and 18 between 125 and 135. Three between 135 and 140. The oldest man in the world Cotrim, a negro, born in Africa,

and now a resident of Rio Janeiro. He is 150 years old Next probably comes a retired Mocow cabman, named Kustrim, who is in his 140th year.

A Lincoln, Neb., dispatch of the 17th says that William J. Bryan is this year in politics-the party the first of next year, which will preparing to publish a book about that the New York Sun favored embody an exhaustive treatment of the silver question and bimetallism, emphasizing its importance as an issue in 1900. Alex. Comstock, of New York, Bryan has authorized his publishroyalties received from the sale of non partizan lectures, under the the book will be devoted to ad McBee, of Norfolk, Va., beingin-during the next four years. The vancing the cause of bimetallism work will also embrace Mr. Bryan's views as to the recent campaign and election, his biography

Six weeks ago I suffered with a very severe cold: was almost unable to speak. My friends all advised me to consult a physician. Noticing Chamberlain's Cough Remedy advertised in the St. Paul Volks Zeitung I procured a bottle, and after taking it a short while was entirely well. I now most benefit. they regulate and tone the stomach and was entirely well. I now most heartily bowels. We guarantee perfect satisfaction or return money. Free trial bottles senger.

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paign tours will be another feature

of the publication.

THE FIRST ROUND

Between the McKinley and Anti-Mc-Kinley Republicans Has Been Fought.

THE Mckinleyites win.

But the Victory Not Substantial Enough to Crow Oyer—The 51st Congress Prom-ises to Be Lively—Some Things Which Should Be Left Out of Official Reports That Are Intended to Be Made Public— The Situation in a Nutshell-McKinley and Hawaii -The Dingley Bill, WASHINGTON, Nov. 23 .- The first ound between the McKinley and been fought, and the McKinlevites

hog a few days ago that weighed anti-McKinley republicans has substantial enough to crow over. As quick as it was known that the republicans had won the national election, such men as Senator Sherman and Speaker Reed began to announce the necessity for pushing the Dingley bill, or some other similar revenue measure, through Lilesville circuit, J C Postell. the Senate at the short session, if it could possibly be done. That caused a lining up of republicans D ATKINS, P E. for and against the Dingley bill, Asheville, Central church, C W and the contest was getting lively when the word was passed that McKinley would not have the Haywood Street, M A Smith. fireman recently killed in the wreck near Round Knob, has inended the round. The Dingley bill is dead, and the anti-McKinley reout they will have their innings later on, and will do their part towards showing the country how badly divided the republican party is, even on the tariff question, and Saluda circuit, E M Crowder. 9; the House, republicans 49, demthe financial division will not be overlooked either. The Fifty-fith Congress promises to be one of the liveliest seen for years, and although the democrats therein will not be numerous enough to ac complish much by voting as a months, and the installation at the party, there is no guessing what Sunday school editor, James Atthey may do by holding the balance of power between the republican factions in the Senate.

There is no more amusing feature of the situation than the talk of the populists about the democratic party having to come to them in the next national cam Clyde circuit, T B Johnston. paign. It would be a case of the tail wagging the dog sure enough for the party which cast more than five-sixths of the votes Bryan received being absorbed by the party Webster and Dillsboro station, J J which cast less than one sixth of the votes. There are some things in which

this country might take a few profitable lessons from older nations, and one of them is in the wording of official reports which are intended to be made public. Hiawassee circuit, Supply Z A case in point is the annual re port of the board of ordinance and fortification. This board is composed of prominent army officers, including General Miles, and has ex-Congressman Outhwaite for a civilian member. In its anxiety to impress upon Congress the necessity for large appropriations for coast defences, the board made the Greensboro circuit, W S Hales. mistake of using the following language: "Should a conflict arise, we are liable to be embroiled with some power whose navy, in the present defenceless condition of our coast, might destroy or exact enormous ransoms from our chief cities." That sort of stuff may do very well in the sensational newspaper offices, but it is decidly out of place in an official document. It is the publication der to the sheriff of Jackson county of that style of matter in official Randolph station, R S Webb. commanding him to cause an elec- reports (for this isn't the first time Uwharrie station, T S Ellington tion to be held at the several places it has been done) that has made The Western North Carolina of election in that county on the Conference took no action what. Sth day of December, 1896, for the conference took no action what. ern warships cocky in its dealings purpose of choosing a member of with the United States, because of the General Assembly of North the belief that fear of the destruc Carolina as representative from tion of our seacoast cities will that county. On November 3d make us stand almost anything the vote in Jackson for a member from a country with a navy. Chilli of the Legislature was a tie, the had that idea several years ago, Morganton station, W H Leith. democratic candidate, Walter E. and Spain has it now. While there Morganton circuit, W V Hunni-Moore, and the republican candi- is no doubt that these geatlemen system of public education-they date, John B. Ensley, receiving the meant well in using such language, same number of votes, 995. The such a report would never have election called for December 8th is been made public by any European power, and it should not have been McDowell circuit, W H Perry

published here. Ex-Senator Walsh, of Georgia, the editorial faculty of stating the situation in a nutshell. He said: Bald Creek circuit, J D Gibson. It is to be sincerely hoped that Bakersville circuit, M Y Seals. prosperity will come to the councounty, is perhaps the oldest per- try through the incoming adminis- 4 statoe circuit, W S Cherry. son in the United States. She is tration Every patriot hopes for North Cove circuit, Sup. M L Kay 115 years old and, until two years that. The republicans will have ago, when crippled by a fall, was the responsibility, and if their methods and policies are for the general good, to them will belong There seems to be a number of the credit. But if they fail to carry centenarians scattered over the out the promises they have made, that if entrusted with power great benefit would accrue to the counsome 290 persons between 106 and try, then the democracy will meet Pilot Mountain circuit, T H Pe-115 years old, 210 between 115 and them at Philippi. Any man who reckons that the democratic party take. If I am not greatly mistaken,

is, according to this writer, Bruno it will be very much alive in 1900." Those who always jump to conclusions have taken it for granted hat McKinley would send to the Senate for ratification the treaty, negotiated during the last days of the Harrison administration, providing for the annexation of waii, which was withdrawn by Mr Cleveland. He will do nothing of the sort. He is opposed to the Boone circuit, E W Dixon. wording of that treaty and will not send it to the Senate at all. Mc-Kinley, while not opposed to annexation, will take no steps toward that end until fully assured that the people of Hawaii desire annex William J. Bryan has entered into ers to announce that one-half the ation and shall have formally asked for it. Then he will agree to the

negotiation of a new treaty. Chief Ford, of the treasury bu reau of statistics, agrees with Senator Gorman both in the belief that the Dingley tariff bill would do the treasury no good and that written by Mrs Bryan, together the best way out of present diffiwith special contributions from culties would be to put a duty on distinguished political leaders. coffee and tea. rle said: "If A description of Mr. Bryan's camrevenue bill at this session, it will be easy enough to get up one that would stop the deficit. A tax of 40 per cent, on coffee and tea and

> Good advice: Never leave home on a journey without a bottle of Chamber-lain's Colic, Cholera and Diarrhoea lemedy.
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W. N. C. CONFERENCE APPOINT-

Where the Preachers Go Next Year-Many Changes Are Made, While Som Remain Where They Were Last Year.

Charlotte District.

J R BROOKS, P E. Charlotte, Tryon Street and North Graham Street, W W Bays and I F Butt Trinity and Dilworth, S B Turren-

tine and P T Durham. Church Street, H L Atkins. Brevard Street, C M Campbell. Charlotte circuit, R S Howie. Pineville circuit, T W Smith. Matthews circuit, T P Bonner. Sandy Ridge circuit, J W Clegg. Waxhaw circuit, A W Plyler. have won, but the victory isn't Monroe Station, W R Ware and W M Robbins

Monroe circuit, J H West. Polkton circuit, Supply B F Fin cher. Ansonville circuit, G D Hermon,

Wadesboro station, Parker Holmes. Hickory station, F L Townsend. Morven circuit, R M Taylor. Asheville District.

Byrd. North Asheville, E L Bain Dingley bill put through. That Bethel and Biltmore, J W Downum.

Weaverville circuit, L E Stacey. publicans are temporarily licked, Sulphur Springs circuit, Wilbur Legette. Swannanoa circuit, G F Kirby

Leicester circuit, L F Cordell. Cane Creek circuit, J A Scronce. Hendersonville station, W H Wills. Mills River circuit, E H Poe. Brevard circuit, L A Falls. Ivy circuit, Supply J B Hyder. Hot Springs circuit, G T Rowe. Spring Creek circuit, T B McCurdy. Marshall circuit, T F Gibson.

Franklin District.

T E WAGG, P E. Franklin station, D F Carver. Franklin circuit, J II Bradley. Macon circuit, R B Shelton Waynesville station R D Sherrill Canton circuit, W G Mallonee. Haywood circuit, W M Boring. West Haywood circuit, A Jacobs.

Gray. Highland circuit, G J Owen. Cullowhee circuit, R L Sprinkle. Whittier circuit, J W Bowman. Bryson City station, J E Abernethy. Andrews circuit, J T Stover. Haynesville circuit, F W Bradley.

Cordell. Murphy station, J H Brendel. Bethel Academy, J R Long, Sup. Greensboro District.

P J CARRAWAY, P E. reensboro, West Market Street, J Reidsville station, H F Chreitberg. Ruffin circuit, J B Tabor.

lamestown circuit, S D Stamey. Pleasant Garden circuit, S T Barber and P L Groome; J T Craven, Sup. ligh Point station, S H Hilliard. Randleman station, J E Woosley,

Wentworth circuit, J M Price.

Asheboro station, A A Crater and G H Crowell. Ramseur station, H H Jordan. and L W Crawford.

and Sup. T A Smoot. Macon College.

Morganton District

cutt.

Table Rock circuit, L L Smith. Marion station, T J Rogers. Old Fort circuit, E Meyers Rutherfordton circuit, G W Ivey Broad River circuit, I B Carpenter now visiting Washington, retains Green River circuit, J D Carpenter, Burnsville, Sup. R H Pendland. Elk Park circuit to be supplied.

Silver Creek mission, Sup. J

Mt. Airy District. H M BLAIR P E. Mt. Airy station, W R Barnett. Mt. Airy circuit, J P Rogers. gram.

Dobson circuit, Sup. S D Moore. is dead, is making a serious mis- Elkin and Jonesville stations, W L Sherrill. Wilkesboro circuit, W L Dawson

> Sprinkle. sparta circuit, W K Boyer. Healing Springs circuit, Seymour

Taylor. Jefferson circuit, A J Burrus. Watauga circuit, A G Gant and W L Nicholson Creston circuit, J P Lanning.

Salisbury District. R SCROGGS, P E. Salisbury, Church Street, T Marr Chestnut Street, Sup. A L Coburn.

Salisbury circuit, D P Tate. Woodleaf circuit, J F England. China Grove circuit, J A Peeler. Concord, Central church, 1 E Thompson.

Forest Hill, J D Arnold. Bay's chapel, W B McGhee. Concord circuit, G G Harley. Mt. Pleasant circuit, A E Wiley. Salem circuit, J J Brooks. Norwood circuit, J A Clark. Albemarle circuit, L L Johnson. Gold Hill circuit, C M Gentry, Lexington station, R H Parker. Linwood circuit, J S Nelson. Thomasville station, L T Mann.

Shelby District. J J RENN, P E. Shelby station, C G Little. Shelby circuit, T T Salyer. King's Mountain circuit, Z Paris. Gastonia station, W M Bagby. McAdensville circuit, M f Steele. Stanley Creek circu t, P E Parker. a bottle at Morphew & White's drug Mt. Holly circuit, N C Wilson. Mt. Holly circuit, N C Wilson.

Lowesville circuit, D M Litaker. Cherryville, J P Reynolds. South Fork circuit, E M Merritt. Bellwood circuit, A R Surratt. Polkville circuit, J D Rowie. Forest City circuit, J A Cook. Henrietta station, J A Bowles. Bessemer City circuit, J W Rob

Bellwood High School. Statesville District. C Rowe, P E. Statesville station, R M Hoyle. Statesville, West End, James Wilson, Sup. and R G Barrett. Statesville circuit, J O Shelley. Iredell circuit, S S Gasque. corresvill station, M H Hoyle. McKendree station, R D Tutile. Troutman circuit, J R Moose.

Mt. Zion station, Ira Irwin, Rock Springs circuit, J M Mock. Catawba circuit, C C Brothers. Newton circuit, M D Gdes. Connelly Springs circuit, P L Ter rell and R S Abernethy.

Lenoir station, T A Boone. Lenoir circuit, | H Moore. Caldwell circuit, Albert Sherrill Alexander circuit, I. M Brower. Two Hotels in one, under one man-Student, Latta H Triplett, Trinity; N R Richardson, Conference

colporteur. Winston District. THE GRUBER FAMILY. F H WOOD, P E.

Winston, Centenary, W S Creasy. Burkhead, G W Callahan, W W Albea, superan. Grace Church, J A B Fry. Winston circuit, J H Fitzgerald. Forsyth circuit, M C Field. Madison circuit, C F Sherrill. Danbury circuit, T W Mansfield. Stokes circuit, WHL McLauren. Davidson circuit, D H Cowan. Zion and Prospect, J J Edes, Kernersville circuit, W M Surtis Summerfield circuit, B A Vork Yadkinville circuit, S P Douglas. East Bend circuit, CA Wood,

Mocksville circuit, M H Vestal. Farmington circuit, R T N Steph-W D Sasser to North Carolina Conference; J H Ball to Denver and stationed at Morrison Memorial; A P Tyer to North Carolina;

C F Evans to Kentucky and

Mocksville station, J A Green.

stationed at Lexington, PAITHFUL UNTO DEATH.

The Pathetic Messages Which Passed Be-tween Engineer James and His Former Chief, V. E. McBee.

Railroad officials are busy men, and as a rule, by nature of their calling, have little time for sentiment, should they have the inclination. It is said, however, that in the intercourse of those in authority with subordinates sometimes the strongest and most lasting attachments are formed. This was exemplified yesterday by a very pathetic incident which oc cured in the office of Captian V. E. McBee, general superintendent of the Scaboard Air Line. A bush came over the assembly of two or three gentlemen who were transacting business with Mr. McBee at the time, and during the quiet which ensued the eyes of the general superintendent became suspicionsly red as well as those who were with him.

Mr. McBee for years prior to his connection with the Seaboard Air Line, was with the Richmond& Dan, ville, in charge of the mountain Salisbury, and Mr. C. T. Williams, at present his chief clerk, who was also with him on the Danville road. remarked to a Virgininian reporte that many incidents had occurred V L Maish, student at Randolph-Which would indicate that the faithful employes on that division have not forgotten him.

It is not surprising that the telegram given below, signed by one of his o'dest and best engineers whose spirit had probably taken its flight ere his dving message was received, deeply affected him as well as those present:

"Old Fort, N. C. Nov 19, 1896. "Captian V. E. McBee,, Portsmouth, Va.: "I will die this morning from injuries received in radroad ac-

"W. L. JAMES." (Signed) The morning paper contained an announcement of an accident near the top of the mountain on the Southern Railway. Some one had failed to obey orders. Engin. eer James, in charge of the Chattanooga special, had lost his life, as had also his fireman. It is a beautiful tribute to friendship bred of long association of official with subordinate, as well as a touching illustration of the coolness and de liberation which characterized the engineer in death as in life, when

at the throttle of his engine. Mr. McBee immediately dictated North Wilkesboro circuit, H C the following as a last message to an old employe who had been faith ful in the discharge of his duty when living, and in death though far distant, had not forgotter him:

"PORTMOUTH, VA., Nov. 19, 1896 R. P. Foster, Train Master, Old Fort, N. C .:

"I am just in receipt of the last telegram from Engineer W. L. James, saving he will die this morning from injuries received in a railroad accident. If he still lives, and is conscious, tell him for me that he was one of the best locomotive runners I ever knew. and that I know he did his duty. May God have mercy on him. "V. E. McBee."

This message from a brave and dying engineer to his former superintendent will give an insight into the character of those men who pull the throttle for their daily bread and who risk their lives in the performance of duty.

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Editor Morrison, of the Worthington Ind., Sun, writes: "You have a valua-ble prescription in Electric Bitters, and I can cheerfully recommend it for con-stipation and sick headache, and as a general system tonic it has no equal." Mrs. Anne Stehle, 2625 Cottage Grove Ave., was all run down, could not eat nor digest food, had a backache which never left her and felt tired and weary, but six bottles of Electric Bitters re store i her health and renewed her strength. Price 50 cents and \$1.00. Get

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