

Husband and Wife Indicted

QUICK WORK IN VIRGINIA.

Tucker and Minnie Posey Charged With Complicity in the Murder of Edward Fair, Brother of the Woman.

Manassas, Va., Oct. 12.—The grand jury today indicted Tucker Posey and his wife, Minnie Posey, for complicity in the murder of Edward Fair, on Thursday night last near Canova, this county. Bail was fixed at \$500 each for appearance at the December term of court.

The tragedy occurred Thursday last and on Saturday the coroner's jury rendered a verdict declaring that Allen Fair, who was shot in the left side just above the heart, was killed by Edward Fair; that Edward Fair was killed by Tucker Posey with an axe; that Edward Fair was hit over the head with a musket by Mrs. Minnie Posey a sister of the dead Fair brothers and that Tucker Posey is supposed to have been shot by Edward Fair, inflicting a flesh wound. The tragedy, which grew out of Edward Fair's jealousy of his wife, who is said to have once left him, has aroused unusual interest in this section. The Fair brothers were sons of the late Carter Fair and lived about four miles from Manassas.

Lest His Ducks.

Master Frank Grier, the bright young son of the mayor, is disconsolate.

He recently became the possessor of a pair of ducks and they have disappeared. He does not think that they have been stolen but that they have wandered away and taken up their residence in somebody's back yard.

If any one knows of the whereabouts of a pair of pet ducks they can make a sad young lad's heart glad by so informing Master Frank.

Funeral of Carl Matheson.

The funeral services of Mr. Carl Matheson who died so suddenly yesterday at Taylorsville after suffering a stroke of paralysis were held this afternoon.

They were conducted by Dr. C. M. Richards of this city. A number from here attended the funeral.

Mr. Matheson was a member of the Royal Arcanum of Statesville and had \$1,000 insurance in that order.

Cursing at the Depot.

The depot seems to have become the favorite resort of half drunk negroes in which to do their "cussing."

This morning Officer McKoy arrested one Gus Caldwell for this offence and he will be tried in the mayor's court tomorrow.

The prisoner was locked up but later gave bail for his appearance.

Was She to Blame?

Bad shows, like the needy poor, will always be with us, but with the coming of Jed Carlton's "Was She to Blame" company, which is to appear at the opera house Oct. 16, Mr. Walsler the manager, wishes it understood that he personally guarantees the above attraction to be just as represented or money refunded.

Stops itching instantly. Cures piles, eczema, salt rheum, tetter, itch, hives, herpes, scabies—Doan's Ointment. At any drug store.

Maria Pia Nearing End

QUEEN'S REASON IS UPSET.

Both Her Son and Grandson Were Assassinated and Now The Queen Sees Blood Everywhere—All Efforts to Rouse the Poor Woman in Vain.

Genoa, Italy, Oct. 12.—Queen Maria Pia, the mother of the late King of Portugal, is nearing her end, a victim of the assassin of her son and grandson as surely as though she herself had been stricken down.

Magalhaes Lima, editor-in-chief of the Portuguese Republican journal, tells in an interview published in the Corriere, of Genoa, the pitiful condition of the aged woman, whose brain was a direct power in the state through her son's reign, as her personality was ever a softening influence with her people. Since the moment when Maria Pia flung herself upon the bleeding forms of her slain son and his child, her mind, like that of Lady Macbeth, has become distraught with the dreadful vision. At first she cried that there was blood upon her hands blood upon her garments and unceasingly strove to wash it out. When that delusion passed she settled into the melancholy conviction that she was constantly in the presence of her murdered loved ones.

All efforts to rouse the poor woman have proved vain and her health has gradually become undermined till it is evident she cannot long support her suffering.

Maria Pia by her popularity counteracted the sentiment of dislike which the unpopularity of her daughter-in-law brought upon the royal King Emanuel II, she imbibed liberal ideas from her father and, though a good Catholic was anti-clerical. Her disability is a serious loss to the young King Manuel in these critical times her tact and discretion being the needed balance to the ur of his Bourbon mother, who seems who seems to have learned nothing from the awful tragedy that overturned the old Queen's mind.

Daughters of the Confederacy.

The North Carolina division United Daughters of the Confederacy, are to convene in Goldsboro for its annual convention tomorrow.

The Statesville chapter have elected delegates and alternates but at the last minute it was discovered that each of these, for various reasons, would be unable to attend.

Accordingly it was arranged accordingly it was arranged liams of Newton who, is the corresponding secretary represent the local chapter.

The convention will continue through Friday.

Mrs. I. W. Faison is president of the state body.

Weather Forecasts.

Washington D. C., October 13.—For North Carolina fair tonight and Wednesday. Frost in the interior tonight. Warmer Wednesday.

Arrested for Fighting.

Buck Brown and Herbert McLeland colored, were arrested this morning for engaging in a street fight. They will be tried in the mayor's court tomorrow.

CONGRESSMAN R. N. HACKETT ADDRESSES BIG CROWD HERE

HE RIDDLES ARGUMENTS OF MR. COWLES.

Seats in Court House All Filled and Many Stood While the Representative Talked Elbquently and Impressively for Two Hours.—State and National Issues Were Discussed and the Records of Public Men Dissected.

Congressman R. N. Hackett, democratic nominee to succeed himself in the 8th district spoke here last night in the court house to a rousing crowd of stirring democrats and a goodly number of republicans.

A number of ladies were present.

When Mr. Hackett entered the hall, accompanied by Chairman J. A. Hartness he was given an ovation.

The speaker was presented by Hon. Z. V. Long who paid a high and eloquent tribute to his ability as a statesman and when he predicted his election there was prolonged applause.

Mr. Hackett commenced his address by telling his hearers that he was suffering from a severe cold and felt more like retiring to his chamber for the night than delivering a speech. He was quite hoarse as he commenced but this affliction gradually grew less noticeable and soon disappeared altogether.

Thanks for Past Favors.

Mr. Hackett told of his great gratitude for the handsome treatment he received at the hands of old Iredell two years ago. He said he came to Statesville to, in a measure give an account of the stewardship of the high office to which the people had elected him. The man elevated to a position, he said, does not become greater elevated than those who elevated him. In other words the created can not be greater than the creator. I, as your representative in congress, am simply your servant. All sovereignty rests with the people. I went to congress not with a desire to fill up the pages of the record with speeches. My opponent says I only made a single speech. That is true. That speech was in favor of the passage of a bill that directly interested a thousand of my constituents. It was a bill permitting railroads to issue passes to their employees and the members of their families. The bill passed and I do not know whether my speech had any influence towards its passage but I do know that I did my duty.

Money for Public Building.

He told how he succeeded in passing in the house a bill appropriating \$60,000 for a public building in Concord followed by one for \$40,000 for Salisbury.

One hundred thousand dollars for public buildings in his district and this in a single term and his first term, when in the face of the facts a new congressman isn't expected to have much influence.

These bills successfully passed the senate through the influence of Senator Overman with an additional \$25,000 for the Salisbury appropriation.

In referring to the candidacy of his opponent in the district he

stated he wished Mr. Cowles was here in order to meet him face to face—where he could meet the issue, where he could meet the issue such a proposition had been refused by Mr. Cowles and his manager, Mr. Reynolds.

He explained that Chairman Klutz had sought a joint debate, but only three in republican strongholds could be pulled off. Stated that a proposition to meet him in Statesville and Salisbury had been refused on the grounds that they were Democratic strongholds and that the Republican nominee would be laughed at.

Injustice and Indignity.

Congressman Hackett told of the gross injustice done him at Wilkesboro, where he was given an hour and Mr. Cowles an hour, with the understanding that each were to have a rejoinder of 15 minutes, but when the Republican nominee had finished his speech, Mr. Milliken, United States marshal refused to allow him to proceed further on the plea that it would interfere with the federal court, which was then in session.

It was outrageous conduct and is denounced by Mr. Hackett in the strongest possible terms.

He had been a member of the pension committee and had succeeded in getting six pension bills passed, six more than had been gotten through by his predecessor. He had secured about 20 new rural free delivery routes and at present as a result of his work over \$22,000 more money was coming into the district annually than formerly, this in the shape of pensions and post roads.

Despite Mr. Cowles exaggerated statements he had missed but eight roll calls in six months while as a member of the legislature in 1907 Mr. Cowles had in 60 days missed 390 and during 9 days of the recent short session of the legislature he had missed 78.

According to this rate he would during a six months in congress miss about 2,400.

Discusses National Issues.

Mr. Hackett then proceeded upon a discussion of the national issues, taking up the record of his opponent and dissecting his argument as he proceeded. He was particularly happy in his reference to Mr. Cowles' contention that railroad rate legislation by the General assembly of 1907 was responsible for the unsettled conditions that have prevailed for the past eighteen months. If it be true, he said, that these conditions were created by the general assembly Mr. Cowles should be willing to assume responsibility, since he voted for 2½ cent in 1907 because, as he said, it was right, voting later for a 2¼ cent rate, which he declares brought on the panic, and refusing to vote for the repeal of the bill establishing this rate and providing in

its stead a 2½ cent rate, which he had previously declared to be just. To his opponent's contention that he would not support the bill passed at the extra session because it carried a bribe of \$17,500 exacted from the railroad, Mr. Hackett declared that the law as it stands on the statute does not say one word in reference to the payment of any sum of money by the railroads and had with him a copy of the laws to prove his contention. Thus we find him said the speaker on three sides of a question that only had two sides to it.

This was one of the most effective features of Mr. Hackett's speech, since Mr. Cowles has been laying special stress upon railway rate legislation.

"There is No Panic" (?)

Cowles tells us there is no panic. G to your furniture factory and your cotton mills and ask them how business has been during the past four or five months.

In Wilkes county we had 100 saw mills running overtime but suddenly they stopped altogether and many poor men found themselves greatly embarrassed with their valuable live stock, horses and mules, on their hands and nothing with which to feed it. Then came great financial sacrifices in getting rid of it. Last year cotton sold for 13 cents, last week it brought 8¾ cents and Mr. Cowles says the farmers haven't felt the existence of any panic. Just ask them and you will find out mighty soon.

Cotton reached its lowest level went to 4½ cents and from 1907 to 1901 averaged 6 cents per pound.

Every single panic this country has ever experienced has followed a republican debasement of the currency or tariff enactment.

Mr. Hackett ridiculed Mr. Cowles' contention that there is no panic by quoting the Washington Post saying that there are more than 3,100,000 men idle in the country and by drawing a graphic word picture of hungry school children in New York, of 15,000 starving children in Chicago and of mothers starving that their children might eat. When the census reports tells us that 3,100,000 able bodied men in this country are out of work, this means that 16,000,000 people are affected, without means of support, without sustenance.

Those Soup Houses.

Yes, we had soup houses under Grover Cleveland and we've got them under Roosevelt but the trouble is, there isn't enough soup to go round and the brand furnished by Good Old Grover in his days was twice as thick as that furnished by the republicans.

Publicity.

Mr. Hackett said, that he had endeavored since the campaign opened to induce Mr. Cowles to say how much he spent on Spencer Blackburn's two campaigns and on his own campaign but so far had failed to receive an answer. Those of his last campaign had been printed and a list of the receipts and expenditures sent to each contributor. He was willing to make those of his present campaign public but when he asked Mr. Cowles to do so, he was modestly silent on the subject.

Mr. Hackett dwelt at some length on state issues and then took up the currency and tariff questions, handling them in an able and interesting manner.

His discussion of the trusts was illuminating.

Mr. Hackett said that the wealth of the United States was in the hands of about ten men and

that these men had been controlling the elections before, but that the people had gotten enough of it and were going to vote for what they knew to be right.

The Original Liar.

Mr. Roosevelt, he said, he would pass as all knew how many men he had called liars and how he had in each instance turned out to be the original one.

Mr. Hackett made a fine impression and was frequently and roundly applauded as he drove home with characteristic eloquence and emphasis truths in which the voters are concerned. He held the closest attention of his hearers and it was evident that he made a deep impression. As a whole this speech of our congressman was one of the best he has ever made here, a masterful and eloquent portrayal of facts, of the weakness of his opponent, an able argument of logic interwoven with lucid anecdotes told in Mr. Hackett's own inimitable way.

One scholarly looking old gentleman as he left the court room was heard by The Mascot man to remark "That was the effort of an orator and a statesman and I am prouder of our congressman than ever before. I certainly think we should keep such a man in congress."

Hackett at Scotts.

Congressman R. N. Hackett went to Scotts yesterday where he spoke in the Scott school house to a large crowd.

Mr. Hackett was received with great enthusiasm, and spoke for an hour and one half.

Mr. Hackett dwelt extensively on his record in congress, comparing it with Cowles' record in the legislature. He also touched on the panic and tariff question.

In speaking of the "blank page" that Mr. Cowles is circulating over the district as his record in congress, Mr. Hackett said it was white and spotless, while the page of Cowles was too black for ink to print.

Democratic Club at Eagle Mills.

There was an enthusiastic democratic speaking at Joiner's school house, Eagle Mills township Saturday.

Addresses were made by Prof. J. Van Hoy and Mr. Smith Campbell.

After the speaking a democratic campaign club was organized and officers elected were as follows:

President—J. C. Joiner.
Vice Presidents—H. H. Renegar and J. V. Wooten.
Secretary—J. R. Joiner.

The club will hold its first meeting on October 24, when a name will be chosen and an enrollment of members take place.

Mrs. E. S. Pegram has returned from an extended visit to Gastonia, Spartanburg, S. C., and other points.

Mr. and Mrs. Jesse Eatman of Charlotte are visiting at the home of Mrs. Eatman's grandfather, Squire J. F. Murdock, in Shiloh township.

Mr. J. F. Patterson of Great Falls, Mont., was a visitor in the city yesterday being registered at the St. Charles hotel.

Mr. Patterson is a native of Taylorsville and was on his way there to visit his old friends and relatives. He has been in Montana for two years.

Prof. E. O. Shaver held a very successful singing at the home of Mrs. Laura Horner's near Troutman's last Saturday night.

A good crowd was present and the event was much enjoyed.