

## HOLD THEIR SECOND CONVENTION

### Pepsi-Cola Bottlers Enjoy First Day of Meet.

There was held yesterday in the "Home Office" and factory of the Pepsi-Cola Company in this city a meeting of business men, they were the men who are designated in their business as the bottlers and were from a number of different States, North and South Carolina being well represented. The convention lasts two days and began yesterday morning at 11 o'clock. Some of the guests were present last year at the first annual convention, but all were interested in the inspection of the plant the three floors and other parts of the plant making an interesting sight.

The address of welcome on behalf of the city was made by Mayor McCarthy and his speech was heartily applauded. This was followed by Mr. W. M. Gause, of Schenectady, N. Y., who spoke on "We Are Glad to be Here." In conclusion Mr. C. D. Bradham, President of the Company, addressed the "boys" as "The Pepsi-Cola Family," and his address was a fine presentation of the means of business success, and was applicable to any line of business. He made a special point on the value of the "Human Interest" in their line of work, giving some humorous and valuable anecdotes illustrating it.

The convention adjourned for dinner and at the afternoon meeting a number of addresses were made, the following being in the program, Mr. H. Gause of Baltimore, Mr. D. W. Davis, Elizabeth City, Mr. H. W. VanDoren, Virginia, Mr. P. B. Beard, Salisbury, E. H. Gaines, Gaffney, S. C., and Mr. F. H. Shipp of New Bern. Mr. J. D. Farrior of Wilson, N. C., Vice-President of the company was present.

A very enjoyable smoker was given by President Bradham at his residence last night and proved a good time.

The convention continues today with a meeting at 10 o'clock at the Home Office, in which the discussion will be on business lines. At one o'clock the U. S. S. Elfrida, Capt. T. C. Daniels will carry the guests to the sound and this promises to be a feature of the meeting.

## Rheumatism Relieved in Six Hours

Dr. Detchon's relief for Rheumatism usually relieves severe cases in a few hours. Its action upon the system is remarkable and effective. It removes at once the cause and the disease quickly disappears. First dose greatly benefits. 75c and \$1.00. Sold by Bradham Drug Co.

## Swallowed Like Jonah.

A fisherman brought ashore yesterday a mammoth cod, with a phenomenally large pouch. While dressing his fare a hunter stopped to chat. The big cod caught his eye and the fisherman opened it. There was a commotion in side, and to the astonishment of the on-lookers out fluttered a full-sized "ahol duck." Apparently dazed, the duck hovered overhead a second or two preparing to start on its flight, but it was a fatal hesitation, for the gunner promptly threw his double barrel to his shoulder and fired, killing the bird.

This is the explanation: On seeing the fisherman approach the bird dived and had been swallowed whole by the codfish, which a moment after was caught. Enough air passed through the gills of the fish to permit the duck to breathe.—N. Y. World.

## TO CURE A COLD IN ONE DAY

Take LAXATIVE BROMO Quinine Tablets. Druggists refund money if it fails to cure. E. W. GROVE'S signature is on each box. 25c.

## The February Strand.

In the February Strand Dr. Conan Doyle brings to a conclusion his latest "Re-membrance of Sherlock Holmes"—"The Adventure of the Devil's Foot"—which is as surprising in its denouement as any of the adventures which have gone before. Another "Adventure" is promised for the April issue. Other fiction is contributed by Frank Moore, Richard Marsh, C. H. Boylston, etc., and the articles are interesting and topical. Elizabeth Loneragan writes of "The Ladies of the Diplomatic Corps" at Washington, and John Holt Schooling contributes a remarkable paper on "The Signatures of Charles Dickens." This is illustrated with fifty five facsimiles including the letter which Dickens wrote a few hours before his death. G. N. Collins writes of "An African Gyroscopist," and Prof. Ward explains "The Identity of Trees in Snow." It is announced that the Dickens Centenary Testimonial Stamps are now on sale and can be obtained through any bookseller or direct from the office of the Strand. These stamps are being sold to turn a fund for the benefit of Dickens's children and grandchildren, many of whom are in straitened circumstances.

## ATTEMPTS TO MURDER POLICE

### James Whaley, of This City Attempts to Murder Norfolk Police Officer.

Norfolk, Jan. 20th.—Deeply penitent, with the excuse that he had been drinking absinthe and did not know what he was doing, James C. Whaley, alias "Frank J. Fennelson," of New Bern, N. C., was placed under a bond of \$100 for 60 days by police justice Duncan yesterday for attempting to shoot detective Powers. He was also fined \$20 and costs for carrying a concealed pistol.

Detective Powers testified that he placed Whaley under arrest Wednesday afternoon and was taking him to the central station when the prisoner suddenly drew a pistol and snapped it in his face. The cartridge failed to discharge, the detective said, and before further damage could be done, Major Kizer and W. H. Craddock, who happened to be passing at the time, got the weapon away from the man. Detective Powers said he was sure that Whaley did not realize what he was doing at the time, although it was a narrow escape for the officer.

Whaley said his mind was a blank, as he had been on a spree for ten days and was drinking absinthe yesterday. He said he came here from New Bern, where he has a mother living, and that he had been treated several times at private sanitariums for the drink habit.

## Adds Words of Praise.

Having experienced wonderfully quick relief by the use of SAVODINE in colds, coughs and bronchial affections. I am pleased to add a word of praise of that excellent remedy.

Yours very truly,  
MISS MARY L. BRYAN,  
New Bern, N. C.

## Wireless Plans Have Been Stolen.

New York, Jan. 20.—That a blue print and the diagram drawing of the United States government's wireless telegraph plant had been stolen from the Brooklyn navy-yard developed yesterday. Secret Service Agent Scully arranged Ray Fuller, a wireless operator, before United States Commissioner Shields, on a charge of larceny. He accused Fuller of carrying away the papers which contained complete details of the wireless system used by the navy, including all the improvements which have been carefully guarded and the possession of which by a foreign power would prove advantageous to it in case of war with the United States.

Scully alleged to the Federal commissioner that these plans disappeared from the navy yard on December 14. He claimed that the blue print was later used in connection with a suit in the State courts and that he had succeeded in tracing the theft of the documents to Fuller. It was intimated that Fuller acted as an agent for persons desirous of securing possession of the government improvements in the wireless field. Fuller pleaded not guilty and waived examination. He will be taken to Brooklyn for trial.

## Monster Banquets.

At the wedding feast of Richard, brother of Henry III., there were no fewer than 30,000 dishes, and scarcely less imposing must have been the banquet given on the occasion of the enthronement of Archbishop Neville in the fifteenth century, for mention is made, among other comestibles, of 3,000 dishes of jelly, 2,000 hot custards, 400 swans, 6 wild bulls and 100 pigs. At the noted feasts of the gay and hospitable Prince Hal a favorite dish was what the "epicurean cooks" called "pondorance." It was a savory jumble of partridge, pork and the yolks of eggs boiled first and afterward baked in butter. But the most hospitable entertainer on record was surely Richard II. Ten thousand of his subjects were daily bid to the banquet. In order to cater adequately for such a vast assembly of guests never were there less than 28 oxen supplied, 300 sheep, besides innumerable fowls and choice game. These were handed over each morning at daybreak to the 2,000 cooks employed in the king's kitchen and the prodigious preparations for this huge medieval banquet began.—London Globe.

## NOTICE.

After the Big Fire many of my friends know I suffered a heavy loss. Many shingles, lathes, some bales of cotton and other merchandise was burned besides 15 stores and houses, sheds, stables and other houses, out building, but now I may say I will try again to succeed and keep on sucking till I do succeed.

I now have the largest stock of all kinds of sawed shingles on hand I ever had, I guarantee price and quality. Thanking my customers for past patronage.

I am the Old Reliable,  
BIG BILL, the Shingle Man.

## BILL FOR FARM LIFE IN SCHOOLS

### Provides For an Appropriation of \$2,500 to Each County.

Raleigh, Jan. 20.—As a result of a joint meeting of the educational committee of the senate and house with the officers and legislative committee of the state farmers' union the bill asking the legislature to provide for the establishment of farm life schools will be reported favorably. The bill presented by the farmers' union officers provides for an appropriation of \$2,500 by the state in each county that raises a like sum and also arranging for equipping the school. Speeches in favor of the bill were made by State Superintendent Joyner and Dr. H. Q. Alexander, president of the farmers' union. A joint meeting of the educational and agricultural committees of the senate and the officers of the farmers' union is to be held next Monday night to further consider the bill.

## Duel in Elevator.

Buffalo, Jan. 20th.—Jealous because each thought the other received too much credit for the acts of heroism performed in rescuing guests of the Statler Hotel during a recent fire, two elevator operators fought a duel with stilettos in the freight elevator of the hotel early yesterday. One of them, Joe Penzato, is badly wounded, while his law antagonist, Anton Costanzo, is under arrest. They began the fight at the sixth floor and it was not until the elevator was stopped by the safety clutch in the basement that their fellow employees could get in to separate them.

## The Brown Rat.

The best way to make a good clearance of rats is to turn a cobra into the place they inhabit. It will clear them out in an amazingly short time. But most people prefer the rats. Were it not for cats, owls, weasels and a few other animals in combination with man, in a short time the whole country would be one vast ratery, for the rate at which these animals increase is stupendous. They are without doubt one of the worst forms of vermin, but they possess one good quality. In a tight corner few animals are more courageous than the brown rat. Rats hard pressed have been known to bite at a man's throat. Two or three, strung in a little fortress with a small opening only large enough for one at a time to come in and go out, will defy a score of ferrets, and if one ferret will venture to enter the lions' den he must look well to himself or he will never come out alive.—London Globe.

## Prominent Greensboro Man Tells of Savodine.

T. F. Causey, a Greensboro merchant doing business at 713 E. Market street, says: "I have been a great sufferer from neurgia for several years, as every one in my locality knows. SAVODINE is the only thing I have ever found that would give me relief. I can't say enough for it."

T. F. CAUSEY.

## What Champ Clark's Elevation Means to Congress.

As a member of the House, Champ Clark early demonstrated special aptitude for tariff studies. When John Sharp Williams, of Mississippi, became Democratic leader, he made Clark his first lieutenant and leader of the minority of the Ways and Means Committee. From this Clark naturally succeeded to the Democratic leadership when Williams was elected to the Senate; and now, in turn, he is to come into the Speakership, "the second greatest office under our government."

When Champ Clark is sworn as Speaker, next December, he will be the fourth Speaker of the national House. He will come to the position at a time when the political situation will give it a significance it has seldom compassed. The House is in a crisis of its parliamentary development. For years there has been growing misgiving as to whether the popular branch was making the full contribution to national affairs that ought to be expected from it. The Senate has overshadowed it in power and prestige. Under a succession of Speakers armed with almost dictatorial authority, the House has become less and less a free moral agent, more and more a mere reflection of the mind and purpose of its presiding officer.

Champ Clark, in the Speaker's chair, will be the exponent of the new purpose of democratizing the House. The place he will take in history will largely depend on the success with which he shall carry forward the purpose of restoring the House to its proper participation in legislation. In proportion as he shall be willing to be shorn of the petty powers of parliamentary dictatorship, he will gather to him the vastly greater and more effective authority of leadership, true leadership.—The Monsey.

## NEW ORLEANS GETS FIRST

### Endorsement For Panama Exposition By House Committee Vote.

Washington, Jan. 21.—New Orleans has won the preliminary skirmish in her contest with San Francisco for the Panama Exposition.

By a vote of 9 to 6 the House Committee on Industrial Arts and Expositions decided in favor of New Orleans as the place to hold the exposition, and will report the bill introduced by General Estopinal, of Louisiana, officially recognizing New Orleans, authorizing the appointment of a Federal commission and a Government exhibit. The committee members who voted for New Orleans were: Rodenburg, of Illinois; Langley, of Kentucky; Murphy, of Missouri; Iowa; Rhinock, of Kentucky; Heflin, of Alabama; Collier, of Mississippi; Cullop, of Indiana, and Coverington, of Maryland.

The six members voting against New Orleans and for San Francisco were: Gardner, of Massachusetts; Southwick, of New York; Steenerson, of Minnesota; Poindexter, of Washington; Maynard, of Virginia; and Nelson, of Wisconsin.

## A Compliment For Him.

She was eighteen and very shy, and she never had been in the city before. There was no one at Broad-street station to meet her, and she looked about timidly for a cab. Her mother had told her to take a hansom. She did not know any hansom, nor did she know that the "cabbies" wore a livery all their own. She did not see a policeman either, so she approached a yellow man who was standing on the corner of Fifteenth street with her bashful question.

"Please," she began, "are you a hansom man?"

The youth raised his head and twirled his mustache ingratiatingly, smiling with deprecating assumption of modesty.

"I am so considered," he replied.—Philadelphia Times.

## Annual Inspection State National Guard Announced.

Raleigh, Jan. 21.—Announcement is made from the office of Adjutant General R. L. Leinster of the North Carolina National Guard that the annual inspection of the companies composing the guard will begin with the Raleigh company February 14, and close with Wayneville. Some of the more notable dates are Charlotte, April 3; Greensboro, April 5; Wilmington, April 7; Durham, March 8, and Asheville March 24 and 25. There is no announcement yet as to who will represent the United States war department in these inspections. The date will be represented by Colonel Thomas Stringfield of Wayneville, inspector general of the North Carolina Guard.

## REPORT OF THE CONDITION OF THE MUTUAL AID BANKING COMPANY,

at New Bern, in the State of North Carolina, At The Close of Business Jan. 7th, 1911.

RESOURCES	
Loans and discounts,	\$ 5,573.38
Overdrafts,	
secured 422.60 unsecured 18.20	440.80
Furniture and fixtures,	1,257.93
All other real estate owned,	2,712.93
Due from banks and bankers,	1,292.61
Gold coin	345.00
Silver coin, including all minor coin currency,	368.34
National bank notes and other	
U S notes,	3,486.00
Total,	\$ 16,477.02

LIABILITIES	
Capital Stock paid in	\$ 3,788.60
Surplus Fund,	106.73
Undivided profits, less current expenses and taxes paid	95.52
Bills payable,	1,000.00
Time certificates of deposit,	4,782.38
Deposits subject to check,	6,807.79
Total,	\$ 16,477.02

## STATE OF NORTH CAROLINA—SS CRAVEN COUNTY.

I, John H. Fisher, cashier of the above-named bank, do solemnly swear that the above statement is true to the best of my knowledge and belief.

JOHN H. FISHER,  
Cashier.

Correct—Attest:  
J. P. STANLEY,  
WM. CRISPIN,  
JOHN A. BOOM,  
Directors.

Subscribed and sworn to before me, this 20th day of Jan. 1911.

JAMES M. HARRISON,  
Notary Public.

Commission expires March 11, 1911.

## CLEVER THIEVES CAUGHT AT LAST

### Had Originated Unique Plan For Robbing Their Employers.

During the past few months the hardware firms of Cutler Blades and the Basnight Hardware Company have been missing a number of articles from their store. Although a diligent watch has been kept on the stock the thieves still continued and it was not until last Thursday that the proprietors were sure that they had the guilty parties in the persons of Henry Paul and Eronius Moir, who are employed by the two firms as draymen.

Warrants were sworn out for the two men and they were placed under arrest. Yesterday afternoon they were given a hearing before Mayor McCarthy and the evidence secured from them showed that they had their thievery all well planned and in fact were working a "system."

Moir, who was in the employ of the Cutler-Blades Company while the thefts were being committed, was placed on the stand. He said that several months ago Henry Paul had approached him and asked him if he wanted to do a little hauling for him. He told him that he would and that Paul carried him to the rear of Mr. Basnight's store and placed on his wagon several rolls of roofing. This, he said he was instructed to carry to a boat which was moored near the old Trent river warehouse and to place it on board. This he did and was paid 50 cents. During the next few days he said he was frequently hailed by Henry Paul and engaged to carry loads of nails, roofing, staves, etc., to various places. Finally it seems that he got on to the fact that the articles he was stealing were being stolen and demanded that he be given half of the money from the proceeds of the sale. This, however, Paul refused to do saying that there was another man who had to have a share and that he would give him one third of it. The thievery he said had been going on for a number of weeks.

When Paul was placed on the stand he told an entirely different tale of the affair. Said that he had often seen Moir around in the rear of Mr. Basnight's store and had once called the attention of one of the employers to the fact, that he had never hired him to carry a load of hardware any where for him.

Probable cause was found in the case and they were bound over to the next term of Superior Court.

The plan the pair had of disposing of the articles without causing any suspicion was very unique one. Loading one of the wagons up with the stolen goods they would go to one of the merchants in the suburbs of the city and tell him that the Basnight Hardware Co. was on the eve of bankruptcy and that in order to meet a payment on a draft which was due that day they had sent him out with a wagon load of hardware to sell at a greatly reduced price. The merchant, of course thought that he was securing a bargain and immediately purchased the articles that he needed.

## Road Legislation Meeting.

On January 23 the Legislative Committee of the North Carolina Good Road Association and others interested in the general state road bills will meet in the Chamber of Commerce in Raleigh at 2:30 p. m. The Legislative Committee will meet to discuss road legislation, and every citizen of the state who is interested in this road legislation is invited to be present. In the evening Hon. Logan W. Page, Director of the United States Office of Public Roads will make an address relative to road legislation in the House of Representatives to the General Assembly of North Carolina, and all those interested in this vital question.

## From One of New Bern's Best Known People.

Having used Savodine freely according to directions in my family, I consider it the best remedy I have ever tried for bruises, for cold in the head, throat and chest, for rheumatism, for sciatica, neuralgia and catarrh. After a two year's test I recommend "Savodine" to all who suffer from any of the above complaints.

MRS. F. C. ROBERTS,  
New Bern, N. C.

## The Naval Program.

Washington, Jan. 21st.—Two battleships, two colliers, eight torpedo boat destroyers and four submarine boats constitute the naval increase program for next year, under action of the House Naval Affairs Committee. The committee's action carries out the main features of the administration's plan of building two battleships annually, with a few needed auxiliaries. The battleships will cost \$6,000,000 each, exclusive of armament and armor and will be of 27,000 tonnage.

## CONVENTION COMES TO CLOSE

### Pepsi-Cola Bottlers Return to Their Homes After a Delightful Visit.

The convention of the Pepsi-Cola Bottlers which convened in this city last Thursday morning, came to a close Friday night with a social session and yesterday morning the many bottlers from all over the United States who had been in attendance returned to their respective homes, each one profuse in their praise of the hospitality of Mr. Bradham, the president of the company, and of the citizens of New Bern in general.

Friday morning at 11 o'clock the entire party boarded the Elfrida and were given a trip down the river. They returned late in the afternoon and repaired to the hotel where supper was served to them.

From 6 until 10 o'clock Friday night a business session was held at the Pepsi-Cola factory, followed by a social session.

## Marriage Law in South Carolina.

Columbia, Jan. 20.—The State Senate yesterday passed to third reading Senator Howard Carille's bill providing for a marriage license law. The bill prescribes a penalty for the man who contracts marriage without license.

## WILLIAMS' KIDNEY PILLS

Have you neglected your kidneys? Have you overworked your nervous system and caused trouble with your kidneys and bladder? Have you pains in loins, side, back, groins and bladder? Have you a flabby appearance of the face, especially under the eyes? Too frequent a desire to pass urine? If so, Williams' Kidney Pills will cure you at Druggist, Price 50c. Williams' M'fg. Co., Prop., Cleveland, O.

## \$500 Stolen From Grave.

Winston-Salem, N. C., Jan. 23.—News reached here this afternoon that the grave of John Harold who served under George Washington in the Revolutionary War had been opened and gold and silver coins, which were hidden there by his widow more than 100 years ago, were taken away.

No clue to the robbers has been found. The amount is supposed to have been more than \$500.

## A Great Magazine.

The New York Sunday World is now giving with its Sunday issue a great literary magazine. It is unequalled in America. Also every week the words and music of a new song. Next Sunday's song is "My Pretty Black Eyed Susan," by "Honey Boy" Evans, of minstrel fame. Music by arrangement with Shapiro, the publisher.

## Notice.

The Belgrade school will give a play "The Deacon," Friday night Jan. 27th. Admission 15 and 25 cents.

## For Mariners Note.

Diamond Shoal Light-vessel, No. 71, replaced by Relief Light-Vessel, No. 72, January 10. The change is temporary.

The characteristics of the lights and fog-signals of Relief Light-Vessel, No. 72, differs from Light-Vessel No. 71 as described in par. 13, of the notes on page 2 of this notice.

Carriteck Sound—Alligator River—Alligator River Light—Intensity of light increased, January 14, by changing from post-latern to lens-latern, without other change.

## The Menu Card in Its First Form.

In its old fashioned form the menu was usually written large on cards of such imposing dimensions that room for one only could be found at each end of the board. In the medieval dinner this aid to selection must have been an absolute necessity, for the medieval dinner was a mine of surprises. It was divided into courses, as are our own dainty meals; but, whereas nowadays the diner has a general idea that fish will follow soup and that entree is succeeded by reliefs and can conceive generally the sort of demand that each course will make upon his appetite and digestion, there was no possible arguing as to what was going to happen at an early English dinner, and close study falls to reveal the existence of any principle of arrangement.

## Notice to G. L. Hardison's Friends.

The statement made by others—asking for endorsements for Collector Customs at New Bern, that I am no longer a candidate for this position is untrue, I am still in the race and expect to remain to the finish. I ask the continued support and loyalty of my friends.

G. L. HARDISON.

## TAFT MAKES PLEA TO FORTIFY CANAL

### Speed to Pennsylvania Society in New York Devoted to This Subject.

New York, Jan. 23.—President Taft Saturday night began in earnest his campaign for the fortification of the Panama Canal. His entire speech at the annual banquet of the Pennsylvania Society in New York was devoted to this subject. He has high hopes that Congress at this session will declare in his favor and appropriate \$5,000,000 to begin the work.

In the Senate, the President has been told, the sentiment in favor of fortification is almost two to one. The House seems pretty evenly divided, but not along partisan lines. Most of the members appear to have an open mind, however, and are willing to be convinced by the side that makes the better presentation of its case.

President Taft will bring all of his influence to bear in favor of fortifications. In his speech tonight he said that there were absolutely no treaty obligations in the way of fortifying the canal; that the United States had every right and reason to protect what was purely an American waterway.

The President said he yielded to no man in his love of peace and hatred of war. At the same time, Mr. Taft cautioned his hearers that universal peace was still a long way off and he could not conceive of any patriotic American being willing to allow an attacking force: free and equal use of a waterway which was built by Americans largely as an instrument for the defense of their country.

## NOTICE.

There will be a basket party at Forest School House on Friday night, February 3d for the benefit of the school. Everybody cordially invited. Girls come and bring a basket, boys come prepared to buy them.

MAMIE HARTLEY.

## In The Legislative Halls.

Raleigh, Jan. 21.—Introduced simultaneously in the House and Senate, by Dillard in the former and Hobgood in the latter, a bill designed to prohibit the shipment of live quail from the state and revoking the power of the secretary of the Audubon society to issue permits for such shipments, was passed by both bodies of the general assembly. It was the first urgency bill passed by the present assembly, provision for its prompt passage and enactment into law having been made on Thursday night at a joint meeting of the same committee.

Among the notable bills reported favorably by committees was Senator Gardner's bill increasing the salary of the governor from \$4,000 to \$6,000, effective at the beginning of the term of Governor Kitchin's successor. Senator Gardner spoke in favor of the bill and on motion of Senator Bassett it was made a special order for next Wednesday at 11:30 o'clock.

The Senate received a large number of bills from the House, including one for the protection of employees as members of an organization, another prohibiting State officials and Senators and Representatives in Congress from this State from accepting fees to prosecute claims against North Carolina and another raising the age limit for working on the public roads from 18 to 21 years. Also a joint resolution to move an old house belonging to the State at the intersection of Salisbury and Morgan streets.

## Women's Beauty.

### Imperfect Digestion Causes Bad Complexion and Dull Eyes.

The color in your cheeks won't fade, the brightness in your eye won't vanish, if you keep your stomach in good condition.

Belching of gas; heaviness, sour taste in mouth, dizziness, biliousness and nausea occur simply because the stomach is not properly digesting the food. The blood needs nourishment to carry vigor, vim and vitality to every part of the body and when food ferments in the stomach enough nourishment is not supplied.

MI-O-NA stomach tablets give instant relief to upset stomachs, but they do more; they put strength into the stomach and build it up so that it can easily digest a hearty meal without giving its owner hours of misery.

"I had stomach trouble for six years—for days at a time could eat nothing at all. After taking MI-O-NA treatment I am in perfect health and can eat anything."—E. M. Campbell, 1200 S. Prospect St., Sedalia, Mo.

MI-O-NA is sold by druggists everywhere and by Bradham Drug Co., at 50 cents a large box. It is guaranteed to cure indigestion or any stomach trouble, or money back.