

WIFE HIRES MAN TO SLAY HUSBAND

Wanted Two Thousand Dollars Insurance Money and To Wed Slayer.

MURDERER CONFESSES CRIME

Guilty Wife Then Admits To Officers Part She Had In Horrible Affair.

Macon, Ga., Dec. 28.-Mrs. James King, 44, was arrested at her home near Round Oak, Ga., Friday after Nicholas Wilburn, 45, in a confession to the police, is alleged to have admitted that he killed Mrs. King's husband because she offered him \$600 to commit the crime and promised to marry him after it had been perpetrat-

James King, a prominent planter, disappeared December 14th. His body was found with a bullet wound in the heart in the woods near where he had gone hunting. His bird dog was keeping watch over his body. Indications were at the time that King was responsible for his own death. Investigation led to the arrest yesterday of

Wilburn and James Barber, a negro. In his confession today to the police, Wilburn, who is a farm and saw mill hand, is quoted as saying: "Mrs. King had offered me \$600 to kill her husband. She said she wanted to get rid of him and promised to marry me if I killed him. He had \$4,000 life insurance.

"On December 12th, I was passing the King home. She called to me and told me that Mr. King had gone hunting and for me to go through the woods, find him and shoot him. I followed him and when he stopped to rest, I sneaked up behind him, grabbed his gun and then shot him just over the heart. He begged me not to shoot him any more. Just then he fell over.

"I put his gon in his hand and arranged the body so as to make it look like he had shot himself, then went back to the house and told Mrs. King what I had done. She said I was a good boy and she thought a lot

Macon, Ga., Dec. 48.- Mrs. James Oak, Ca., planter who was killed near

The widow of the dead man was arrested after Wilburn had confessed to the police that he had shot and killed King because Mrs. King offered him \$600 to commit the crime and pronised to marry him.

In her confession Mrs. King declared that if it had not been for the \$2,-

ime on one relations were ment on. We met at frequent inter-sal had signals so that I could him where the waman's relatives could be home when my bushand was

'Had it not been for the \$4,000 in surance we would never have planned to kill my husband. My first attempt was to kill with strychnine. Nick my husband's whiskey. When he beand recovered.

"It was then that we planned to shoot him. Nick teld me that we would catch him out hunting and kill him with his own gun. The day of the killing Mr. King was sick. The doctor told him that he should not eat pork so he took his gun and went into the woods to kill some birds. He left home about 3:30 in the afternoon and when he had been gone about an hour Nick came. I told him my husband had gone hunting and he said. Now is our time," and I said 'ves."

"When my husband did not return I knew he was dead and sent Johnny child. Gordon and Frank Will rn, my sonuspected him but I told him to brace was on a scaffold with a rope around at his best. his neck. I didn't believe he would give me away. When Nick was arrest- would have otherwise not received a ed I made up my mind I would go to visit from Santa Claus. Each year could not meet my God with a lie on forward to with much anticipation.

"I was a good Christian woman before I met Nick Wilburn and had never done a wrong in my life. I have been a member of the church for 14 years, am 35 years old and have six children. The eldest is 18 and the youngest

BUS FOR THE JAMES.

The large two-horse bus recently ordered by the management of the lames Hotel arrived in the city yesterday and was placed in commission at once. The new vehicle is comin appearance.

here December 12th, confessed that father of Mes. W. K. Styron and W. here December 12th, confessed that she had plotted with Nicholas Wilburn, a farm hand, to kill her husband, so at the home of his daughter, Mrs. J. mortgagee will on the 30th day of Dethat she might marry Wilburn and se- E. Rowe in Hampton, Va. Mr. Croc- cember, 1912 sell for cash to the high-

WAS FROM BEAUFORT

Mrs. Lillian Scott, Dead In New York, Was Miss Robinson.

SELLS MANY AUTOS

New Bern Company Placed Order In October for Sixty.

The Hyman Supply Company yeserday unloaded two 1913 model Cadillac automobiles, a roughs c automobiles, a touring model for B. W. Lewis of Farmville and a torpedo model for H. H. Grainger of Kinston. Mr. Hyman states that in October, his company contracted for sixty 1913 Cadillac cars, and in a few days sold forty of these cars to subagencies leaving them only twenty cars to sell in this immediate territory.

During the winter months the sa'e of cars is limited, yet the Hyman Company has orders for the entire winter allotment, which proves the popularity of this well known car in this section. Representatives of the are delivered to the owners, Mr. Hyman says the demand has been so a car for demonstration purposes.

MORNING. who several weeks ago was chosen to fill one of them is the employment the position of principal of the pro-the position of principal of the pro-posed Craven County Farm Life former fixed charge for all distances. nents of the ground.

SURPRISE WEDDING TAKES PLACE.

A wedding that came as a surprise parties took place in this city at 3 bought the strychnine and we put it in pastor of the Tabernacle Baptist church unless the address furnishes the nec officiating. Mr. Pittman is employed essury parcels post stamps. came deathly sick he look an antidote at the navy yard at Portsmouth, Va. and he and his bride left on the afternoon train for that place where they will make their home in the future.

ELKS PLAY SANTA

At The Athens.

The Elks of this city played the part Christmas Day, when they had the little folks as their guests as a special performance distributing gifts to each

in-law, to hunt for him. After they pictures and were later entertained by Fletcher Hargis of that town. He died had gone Nick told me that it was all the vaudeville teams which were ap- of heart trouble Wednesday of last over. We didn't discuss the killing pearing at the Athens on Christmas week. Years ago he was a frequent until December 17th, when Detective Day. Following this the curtain was visitor to New Bern and was well Moore called to talk with me. After raised and their eyes feasted on a known to a number of the older peo-Moore left Nick told me he knew they marvelous collection of toys and con- ple here. At the time of his death he fectioneries. James B. Dawson took up and give nothing away even if he the part of Saint Nicholas and he was store in Pocomoke City and was one are required.

Many of those receiving presents citizens of that place, to gallows before I would tell a word. the Elks remember the little tots'and Later I came to the conclusion that I their entertainments are always looked the traveling public to regain the dis-

> Mr. Country Merchant, try an advertisement in the Semi-Weekly Journal and increase your business.

all right for those who never had the by an organization which has been Courts. lumbago.

MORTGAGEE'S SALE OF REAL AND PERSONAL PROPERTY.

Pursuant to powers of sale contained modious and affords the passengers in two certain mortgages one executed every comfort. It will undoubtedly by J. B. Hooker to L. C. Carroll on 29th prove a very valuable adjunct to the Sept., 1910, and transferred L. C. Carhotel's facilities. It is very attractive roll to T. D. Warren, and the other executed by J. B. Hooker and wife Caroline Hooker to T. D. Warren, executed Jan. 2nd, 1912, said mortgages recorded King, widow of the prominent Round DEATH OF J. B. CROCKETT. in Registry Craven county in Book 65 p. 499 and Book 187, p. 509 respectively, J. B. Crockett of Hampton, Va., default having been made in payments cure \$2,000 life insurance carried by kett had often visited here and news of his death will be heard with regret. House door at New Bern, N. C., at 12 M. o'clock the following described real estate and personal property, viz:

FIRST. Certain tract of land lying and being in No. 5 township, Craven county, N. C., being part of a grant to T. T. Gooding dated 15th Oct., 1906, Eupton received a telegram from a p. 434, and described as follows: Beginning at a pine and runs. N. 69 W. 31-2 E. arrest the woman refused to discuss the tragedy. Detectives related to he details of Wilburn's confession and family she collapsed crying. "Do you think God will forgive me? Then with God as my helper I will tell you all for my lipa. Ask the people to have merey on me, not for myself but for my lipa. Ask the people to have merey on me, not for myself but for my children."

Last March," added Mrs. King "Niek Willimm and myself were sitting abase in my dining count. Nick tell in that the diginal have a friend in the series of an an numed Scott and a short time above the back I teld him I would be his friend. Chief Lupton vesterday sent a tele-time on our relations were most.

Limitation of Police to Police to Police to Police that the ginning and described as follows: Beginning and described as follows: Beginning at a pine and runs. N. 69 W. 31-2 E. 78 poles, then N. 61-2 W. 52 po Thursday morning Chief of Police recorded in Craven county in Book 194,

This 25th day of November, 1912. T. D. WARREN, Assignee of L. C. Car.

Two Principles of Postal Service Long Adhered to Will Be Abandoned.

TO ABOLISH FIXED CHARGES

Discontinue Previous Practice Honoring All Stamps Equally.

Washington, D. C., Dec. 18.-The Panama Pacific commemorative stamps bearing the likeness of the Garun Locks Practice Wherever Ser and the Golden Gate, will not be the company will be glad to show these only new stamps placed on sale at Uncle Sam's post-office on January." cars to any one interested before they The new parcels post stamps—two W. varieties of them, according to valuegreat that he has not been able to keep offices on the same date.

The inauguration of the parce's pos on next We-fneeday will mark the DR. TURLINGTON COMES THIS abandonment of two principles which have hitherto been cardinal points in Dr. J. E. Turlington, of Georgia, the post al system of the United State .

School to be erected at Vanceboro, The second is the introduction of will arrive in the city this morning, the separate stumps for parcels, which and Federal Courts, and wherever set bringing with him a landscape gardner discontinues the previous practice of vices are desired. from the A. & M. College at Raleigh. honoring all stamps equally fer the These gentlemen will meet with the transportation of all matter, It so Board of Trustees of the school some happens that the Panama stamps and DR. ERNEST C. ARMSTRONG time during the day and will discuss the parcels post stamps are placed on plans for the buildings and the arrange- sale at the same time, but the former are commemorative of an event, while the latter are an event in themselves.

prescribed by the Post Office Departic diseases ment for the use of the parcels post to the many friends of the contracting stamps. That will be good only when affixed to parcels, and fourth-class clock Wednesday afternoon when matter will be mailable only when it Miss Emma McCosley, the attrac- bears the parcels port stamps. All ages, from babies up. tive daughter of Mr. and Mrs. C. Mc- Fourth-class matter mailed after the Cosley, became the bride of Samuel commencement of the new system with Elliott Pittman, son of Mr. and Mrs. ordinary stamps attached will be held. A. E. Pittman, Rev. J. B. Phillips, for postage". It will not be delivere

REPAIRING FIRE DAMAGE.

A force of workmen are now engaged the fire at the Gem Hotel a few weeks ago. The insurance appraisers have Give Little Folks Delightful Time J. W. Moore, the proprietor, a check to cover the loss. Although the building was considerably damaged, the of Santa Claus to a large number of quests of the hotel have not been in needy children on the afternoon of convinced in any way since the fire.

show at the Athens theatre, after the T. F. HARGIS DIES IN POCOMOKE CITY.

The Ledger-Enterprise of Pocomoke The tots first enjoyed the moving City, Md., tells of the death of Thomas was conducting a large department of the most successful and popular

WANT SUNDAY MAIL.

A movement has been started by tribution of mail on Sunday by the Postoffice Department so that all hotel patrons will not suffer delay and inconvenience. At all of the local hotels petitions have been placed in which the traveling men set forth their complaint and asking for signatures. When filled out these lists will be Practices in counties of Craven, Car formed for this purpose.

Missouri is sighing for a State song. Won't they quit kicking her dawg

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