

# The Evening Dispatch.

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## TRIED TO JUMP TO HIS DEATH

### Attempt Made to Leap From Brooklyn Bridge

Forlorn and Homeless Lover Endeavored to End His Earthly Troubles—Policeman Nabbed Him Just in Time and Now He is Charged With Being "Bug-House."

New York, Oct. 12.—John Edwards, homeless and jilted by his Philadelphia sweetheart, attempted to jump from the Brooklyn Bridge into East river today. A policeman caught him and locked him up, pending an examination into his mental condition.

## STRIKE SETTLED.

### Operatives Will Return to Work in a Few Days.

London, Oct. 12.—It is stated that the strike of the cotton operatives in Lancashire is as good as settled. Many of the men will return to work this week. A five per cent. reduction will be accepted by the unions with the understanding that a better basis is to be arranged, three months hence.

## KILLED BY AUTO.

### Machine Turned Turtle, Catching Owner Beneath It.

New York, Oct. 12.—Martin Connelly, Jr., employed in the comptroller's office, was crushed to death under his automobile early this morning. The machine left the road and turned over, catching Connelly under it.

## FEW NEW CASES

### Of Cholera Have Been Reported During 48 Hours.

Manila, Oct. 12.—Only three new cases of cholera are reported for the ending this morning and five for the previous twenty-four hours. The health officials are very hopeful but somewhat suspicious of these sharp declines in the spread of the disease.

## REV. J. T. JOHNSON.

### Pastor of the Advent Christian Church Announces His Resignation.

At the conclusion of the service last night at the Advent Christian Church, Rev. J. T. Johnson announced that he had submitted his resignation as pastor of the church, the same to become effective at the conclusion of his year's work on December 1st. The announcement came as a distinct surprise to the members of the congregation, and by them was received with real regret as Mr. Johnson has won for himself a warm place in their hearts during the short space of time he has had charge of the church. Not only will Mr. Johnson's departure be received with deep regret by the members of the church, but in addition the entire community will be sorry to learn that he has deemed it his duty to resign his pastorate to accept a call to another field of Christian labor. He has made his influence felt in the community since coming here, and whichever of the several calls now under consideration he accepts, he will go thence accompanied with the best wishes of the people of Wilmington for continued success in his consecrated work as a minister of God.

## N. C. PEACE CONFERENCE.

### Formally Opened in Greensboro This Morning.

Greensboro, Oct. 12.—At the opening of the North Carolina Peace Congress held today the president was unable to attend. He sends a message and expresses his approval.

### To Make Tests for Government.

New York, Oct. 12.—In a package not much larger than an ordinary traveling trunk, A. M. Herring will today ship his aeroplane to Fort Myers, where it will be assembled for government trials. Tomorrow, Herring states, he will probably receive an extension of one week before the thirty days' period of tests begin.

## POPULAR PRICES THIS WEEK.

### Mason-Newcomb Stock Co. Opens at Academy Tonight.

All this week, with the exception of Friday night, the Academy of Music offers the well known Mason-Newcomb Stock Company in up-to-date repertoire. The opening bill tonight will be "Midnight in Chinatown" and in connection with the bill will be presented a fine line of specialties, really making a big double dramatic and vaudeville performance. The company comes highly recommended and will change specialties and play each night, and will present all new plays. The prices are 10, 20 and 30 cents.

## RESOLUTIONS ADOPTED

By the Vestry of St. James' Episcopal Church Expressive of the Deep Feeling of Regret Which Permeates the Organization, Because of the Early Departure From the City of Rev. R. W. Hogue, Rector of the Church.

The entire community received with deep regret the announcement several weeks ago that Rev. R. W. Hogue, rector of St. James' Episcopal Church, and a man universally beloved among people of every denomination in the city, had presented his resignation of the rectorship, in order to accept a call to the Episcopal Church at Chapel Hill.

Therefore the following resolutions, with reference to Mr. Hogue's approaching departure, adopted by the vestry of St. James' Church will be read with interest, not only by members of the congregation, but by the community at large:

"It is perhaps without a parallel in the history of this parish that a rector has served his relations under conditions which at once drew forth expressions of deep regret and sympathetic approval by the vestry, and yet this is the situation attending the resignation of our rector, the Rev. R. W. Hogue. During a service of six years as rector of this parish he has come to a position of influence in the community as great as that enjoyed by any minister of the gospel whose life and work have blessed the people of Wilmington, for his impress has not been limited by either his congregational or church relationships but has permeated the entire community irrespective of religious affiliations, so much so that expressions of appreciation have come from all quarters.

In his labors among us he has ever shown the broad and sympathetic spirit of the Master, and proved himself a disciple of the great catholic gospel, which, disregarding class distinctions, recognizes in the masses the brotherhood of man. Coming among us a stranger and a youth, unheralded by reputation and unsupported by official influence, he at once won the respect and confidence of the community by his manly bearing, fearless utterance and self-sacrificing labors. His zeal in behalf of personal purity and public righteousness quickly brought him into touch with both the individual life and public aspirations of the community, and he has ever been a friend and advocate of the moral and spiritual progress.

The seeds that he has sown here taken deep root in our social and public thought, and their fruits will be a permanent monument to his life and labors among us.

"In losing Mr. Hogue's services we are conscious that his place will be difficult, if not impossible, to fill; nevertheless, we are reconciled to the loss, only because we realize that he goes to a field in which his special adaptability for work among young men will give opportunity for the exercise of an influence which we believe will be far reaching and permanent in its effects on the youth of the State. Not only will Chapel Hill offer an opportunity for reaching the greatest possible number of young men, but will at the same time offer facilities for study and development which we believe will bring Mr. Hogue to an early maturity of his powers and thus enable him to fulfill the great mission of preaching which his natural abilities so eminently qualify him for.

Because of the close relationship of this community to the State University we feel that we lose Mr. Hogue only that we may gain him in a larger sense, in that his character and influence will be reflected in the lives of our sons to the upbuilding of a higher type of citizenship to the good of this community and to the honor of the State. Not only will his life and services among us and his care of our sons bind him to us in his work at Chapel Hill, but as this mission will be partially supported by this Diocese we will continue to sustain an official relationship to him which will be fruitful in current and sympathetic interest.

"In accepting Mr. Hogue's resignation we desire to put on record this expression of our appreciation of his services to this parish and community, and our confident belief in his greater usefulness at the State University. As one who has endeared himself to us by his loving offices we lend him to this greater field, and shall ever follow his work with a sympathy that will cause us to rejoice with him in his success."

## To Erect Fine Residence.

Mr. B. H. Stephens, the well known architect and builder, has recently purchased a fine lot at the corner of Nineteenth and Princess streets, Carolina Heights, and he has announced that he will erect thereon a handsome \$5,000 residence. Mr. Stephens is an architect of fine qualifications and therefore the new structure will be of an attractive design, second to none in this rapidly developing suburb. It will be a pleasure to friends of Mr. Stephens to learn that he will bring his family from Chicago as soon as his new residence is completed and that they will make their home here.

## DAMAGE SUIT HOLDS FORTH

### A. C. L. Case to Go to U. S. Tribunal

### Court Spending all Today in Trial of the Case of Little vs. The City of Wilmington—Will Likely Go to the Jury Late this Afternoon—Counsel for Coast Line Will Petition Uncle Sam's Court to Remove \$20,000 Damage Action.

The damage suit of William Duncan Little, colored, against the City of Wilmington, involving mainly \$5,000 alleged damages for the death of his young son, holds forth in the Superior Court today and will occupy the rest of today's session, unless the point raised about the city's liability is decided in favor of the defense, which will end the suit so far as the present term of the Superior Court is concerned.

The taking of evidence commenced this morning and at the dinner recess hour nearly all evidence for both sides had been submitted. The testimony this afternoon will be brief, and then counsel for the defendant will lodge a motion to non-suit the plaintiff on the grounds that the city is not responsible, as the driver of the cart whose alleged negligence caused the accident, was not under the direction of the city, but was an employe of the health department, which is regulated by the State. However, counsel for the plaintiff will contend that the city is responsible, as the driver was an employe of the city, being paid by the city, and even if he was under the direction of the health department the city could not allow damage, and injury to its citizens through negligence. If the point is decided by the court in favor of the defense why the case will end and the plaintiff will likely appeal to the Supreme Court. If it is decided otherwise why the trial will proceed.

This morning the plaintiff's first witness was a colored barber named Calhoun, who testified he saw the accident and that the boy was crowded to the curb by the city cart, the horse to which was trotting and the driver unconcerned. There were other witnesses testifying to different facts. Then the defense introduced a number of witnesses to offset this testimony. It also introduced evidence to show that the driver, one Jamison, was employed by the health department, Jamison is crippled in one hand, and which the plaintiff contends really incapacitated him for the service of a driver.

There was much conflicting testimony as to the precise positions of the boy on the bicycle and the cart, and the positions play important parts showing the care or negligence, however, the point may be.

Four speeches will be made in the case, Robert Ruark, Esq., and Geo. L. Peschau, Esq., speaking for the plaintiff and City Attorney Marsden Bellamy, Jr., and ex-Judge E. K. Bryan for the defense.

It is understood that counsel for the defense in the \$20,000 damage suit of N. M. McEachern, administrator, vs. the Atlantic Coast Line, will soon file a petition in the United States Circuit Court for the State courts to be enjoined from trying the case and for Uncle Sam's tribunal to take jurisdiction.

Later—At this afternoon's session counsel for the defense lodged the motion to non-suit the plaintiff, but the motion was over-ruled by Judge Lyon without hearing argument. The speeches then commenced, with Mr. Peschau presenting the opening argument for the plaintiff. The case will likely go to the jury late this afternoon.

## RESIDENCE ENTERED

### And the Sunday Dinner of Messrs. Alvah Stanland and Emmett Graham Was Taken.

Some time Saturday night, a bold intruder entered the residence, No. 410 North Fourth street, occupied jointly by Messrs. Alvah Stanland and Emmett Graham, and abstracted therefrom the Sunday dinner which had been prepared. Not content with removing the good things to eat, the thief showed he intended to leave no feature of the dinner behind by taking with him the various dishes and receptacles in which the different articles had been placed. No clue has been discovered which will aid in the apprehension of the bold intruder, and the two gentlemen named above are inclined to think that a suitable query to accompany "Who Hit Billy Patterson?" would be "Who Stole My Dinner?"

## Chicago, Oct. 12.—Wheat is easy; prices about one-half lower. Opening wheat, December 101 1-4; corn, December, 64 1-2; oats, 49 1-8. There was no trading in provisions.

## LADIES TO LEND AID

### Meeting Called for Tomorrow at the Public Library for the Elkfest—Big Event is Coming Along Fine and All Committees Hard at Work.

An earnest effort is being made by the Exalted Ruler, of the Wilmington Lodge of Elks, and members of the Committee on Parade, to enlist the hearty co-operation of the ladies, and ladies' clubs of Wilmington, in the big Elkfest. With this in view, a meeting will be held tomorrow afternoon at the Public Library, of a number of prominent ladies interested in such work as the children's playground fund. These ladies will formulate a plan for further enlisting the co-operation of almost every woman in Wilmington.

A General Executive Committee of ladies, to be known as the Ladies Auxiliary to the Elkfest, will be selected at the meeting Tuesday. The duties of these ladies will be to serve as lady patrons at the entire Elkfest; to take charge of the floral, decorated, vehicles, children's parade, and such similar features of the Elkfest, and will serve as a Reception Committee. Subcommittees will be appointed by these ladies to make a thorough canvass of the city soliciting decorated carriages, decorated baby coaches, go-carts, and all carriages, children's floats, and marching character groups of children.

There is no doubt but that the ladies are greatly interested in this Elkfest, and will do much towards its success.

Letters are being sent out from committee headquarters in the Garrell building, to the teachers of the city schools and principals, notifying them to assist in the promotion of the playground fund parade, Tuesday, Nov. 3. Already many acceptances have been received.

One of the features of the Burlesque Circus Parade, that will be very prominent, will be the marching and riding groups of clowns. Over fifty fun-makers will provide entertainment along the line of march of the parade, under the direction of Mr. C. L. Brown, who has selected his "Hawaii" Donkey carts, burrows, ponies, goats, in fact, every kind of animal that can be put in a parade, have been grafted upon by the fun-makers, and will be utilized to advantage.

The real live elephant that comes with the circus, will be used in both the Tuesday parade and Wednesday parade. On the former, the Queen of school children, to be selected later, will be mounted on the back of the elephant in a Howdah made of wood, and purple and white cloth, and trimmed with Wisteria flowers. The elephant will be led by two attendants in white, and on a float following, will be the little queen, with her fairy court of children. This feature will head the school children's section of the parade. The extent and magnitude of the Elkfest is just becoming apparent to the merchants and citizens of Wilmington. The railways will grant the lowest excursion rates given in years. Many wholesale firms are receiving word daily from customers that they will be on hand during the occasion.

## REV. FRED D. HALE

### Announces That He Will Not Accept a More Lucrative Call, as He Feels His Work is Here.

It is known that other churches have been trying to secure the services of Pastor Fred D. Hale of the First Baptist Church of this city, but in the course of his sermon yesterday morning, he put the whole question at rest by saying: "At the end of about five years' most aggressive Baptist preachers change their fields of labor, because of antagonism created here and there in the community; but after mature reflection, I have reached the conclusion that, if God, through the church called me here, my work is not yet done in this field, and that I am now needed in this community more than ever.

Though I have been offered more money elsewhere, and though I have now in my pocket a unanimous and pressing call to one of the most cultured churches, and pleasant fields of labor in my native State, Alabama, I am going to decline that call, and remain at my post here, starting out this morning for another five years' service, at the end of which time, if the Lord will, we shall have a church in Wilmington that will mean something to the spiritual, moral, and civic life of the city."

## At the Bijou.

The feature film at the popular Bijou theatre today is called "Ingomar, The Barbarian." This motion picture reveals a love story, which for poetry and dramatic action has rarely been excelled, and it should be seen by everyone. The song for today is "If You Were Mine."

## Rescue Home Moved.

The Rescue Home has been moved from North Ninth street to Meares street, where the good work will be continued, and where contributions will be gladly received for the cause. The Home was moved on account of having to reduce expenses.

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