

# The Evening Dispatch.

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## BUSINESS OF THE SENATE

### Foraker's Resolution Considered and Passed

With Regard to Investigation Into the Employment of Private Detectives to Ferret Out Perpetrators of Brownsville Affair—Penal Code Bill Being Considered.

Washington, Dec. 15.—In the Senate today the resolution introduced yesterday by Senator Foraker ordering an investigation into the employment of special detectives for the purpose of ferreting out the perpetrators of the Brownsville shooting was taken up and passed. Senators Aldrich and Keam introduced a resolution to the effect that the committee on appropriations should make a thorough investigation of the secret service referred to in the President's message. Senator Culberson said the resolutions were not strong enough in language and urged that a portion of the message referred to, be sent back to the committee, the committee to make an investigation and report to the Senate what steps should be taken in the matter. The House, as a committee, took up the consideration of the penal code bill.

### BOMB FOR THE HAINS DEFENSE.

Witness to Repudiate an Important Statement.

Flushing, Dec. 15.—John McIntyre, chief counsel for the Hains brothers, came into court very much excited this morning, saying that one of the defendants' principal witnesses had been tampered with. This witness had given affidavits in which he declared Thornton Hains went to the scene of the murder to inspect some real estate and was looking for the agent when they ran across Annis. Now the witness who repudiated the affidavit and take the stand for the prosecution, saying that he had heard the brothers talk about Annis and saw a pistol displayed. McIntyre will try to prevent the testimony.

### STILL DENIES CONFESSION.

Denies He Helped Others Blow Up Brownsville.

Monroe, Ga., Dec. 15.—Boyd Conyers sticks to his denial of the confession he is alleged to have made to the negro detective, William Lawson, that he and four others shot up Brownsville. He says he knows nothing of the affair and has made no confession. He says a special investigator, Herbert J. Brown, offered him immunity from arrest if he would make a clean breast of the affair. Brown, in his report, says no promises of any kind were made.

### THIRTEEN MEN SLAIN.

In a Terrific Explosion of Fire Damp Today.

Vienna, Dec. 15.—Thirteen men killed, and perhaps more in an explosion of fire damp in a coal mine this morning. More than fifty men were in the mine and the interior was so badly wrecked that rescuers have not been able to penetrate the portion where the explosion took place.

### Stocks Today.

New York, Dec. 15.—The stock market opened active and generally strong. Kansas and Texas and the Great Northern were both prominent. The Great Northern made fractional gains. St. Paul opened 1-2 down, but recovered the loss.

New York, Dec. 15.—There was a fair account of investment buying in cotton, but at noon traders hammered the list and there was a further decline. Opening, December, 8.85; January, 8.44; February, 8.46 (bid); March, 8.51; May, 8.60 (bid).

### Treasurer's Report.

The report of the treasurer of the Associated Charities for the month of November is as follows:

Receipts.	
New Hanover county	\$125.00
Mrs. J. W. Murchison	5.00
Mrs. H. F. Wilder	1.00
Cash	1.00
Mr. John Kuhlken	2.00
Mr. E. S. Martin	10.00
Mr. Clayton Giles	5.00
Mr. Norwood Giles	2.00
Mrs. V. G. Emple	5.00
Cash	3.25
Disbursements.	
Secretary's salary	\$ 25.00
Catharine Kennedy Home	12.50
Groceries	158.50
Rent for those in need	11.50
Cash help	3.40
Printing	3.00
Telephone	3.00
Railroad fares	19.45

## WATERWORKS MATTER

Will be Discussed by the Board of Aldermen at Meeting to be Held Tonight—Clarendon Water Company Offers Plant to the City for \$155,000—Public Invited to Attend the Session Tonight—Tax Payers' Money Must Be Carefully Guarded and Value of Present Plant Thoroughly Derived At.

Like Banquo's ghost, the water works question has arisen again, and the special meeting of the board of aldermen to be held tonight at the city hall at 8 o'clock to consider the matter, will undoubtedly be one of the most interesting sessions held in some months. A definite report will be submitted by the Water Committee of the board of aldermen concerning the negotiations thus far with the Clarendon Water Company with regard to the possible taking over of the plant by the city, and each and every member of the committee especially invites the taxpayers to be present at the meeting. Suggestions will be gladly received from citizens who have given the matter thought and it is hoped there will be a large attendance so the discussion may be heard by the taxpayers whose money is to be handled. The Clarendon Water Company has submitted a communication offering to take \$155,000 for the plant, with date of transfer Jan. 1st, 1909, the terms of which are as follows:

December 9th, 1908.  
Mr. T. W. Wood, chairman, Dr. C. P. Bolles, Mr. J. A. Karr, Mr. S. J. Ellis, Water Works Committee of the Board of Aldermen, City of Wilmington, N. C.

Dear Sirs:—We beg to submit to you the following offer for the sale of the property of the Clarendon Waterworks Company to the City of Wilmington:

We will deliver to you the said property on January 1st, 1909, for the sum of Seventy-Five Thousand Dollars, the City to assume the bonded debt of Eighty Thousand Dollars, and to return to us earnings made and uncollected prior to above date. This offer is made without prejudice to any of the rights of the Clarendon Waterworks Company in case no sale is made to the City.

Respectfully submitted,  
JOHN F. DIVINE, President

In connection with the foregoing, the following statement concerning the total income and total operating expenses of the company for the past fiscal year, ending September 30th, 1908, is appended:

Mr. T. W. Wood, chairman, Dr. C. P. Bolles, Mr. J. A. Karr and Mr. S. J. Ellis, Special Waterworks Committee of Aldermen, City of Wilmington, N. C.

Dear Sirs:—We herewith hand you total income and total operating expenses of this company for the past fiscal year, ending September 30th, 1908, and same items for past two months as requested:

Total income Oct. 1, 1907, to Oct. 1, 1908	\$36,451.74
Total operating expense, same time	23,923.74
The items making up the operating expenses above are as follows:	
Salaries and labor at Hilton	\$ 3,499.71
Fuel	7,431.46
Other supplies at Hilton	2,068.17
Repairs at Hilton	1,919.02
	\$11,883.36
Filtration	\$ 3,274.67
Salaries and labor in city	4,578.91
Repairs to services and small mains	126.77
Repairs to mains, hydrants, etc.	129.58
Postage	149.03
Repairs to meters	1,402.81
Analyses	66.00
Taxes	1,326.00
Insurance	191.95
Telephones	176.00
Office expenses	306.17
Stationery and printing	83.30
Incidentals	220.33
Car fares, horse-keeping and new wagon	205.80
	\$23,923.74

Statement for Oct. and Nov. 1908.  
Total income, months of Oct. and Nov. 1908 \$ 9,485.75 || Total operating expenses, same time | 4,671.06 |

The items making up the above operating expenses, are as follows:

Salaries and labor at Hilton	\$ 664.02
Fuel	1,112.23
Other supplies	61.59
Repairs	45.96
	\$ 1,883.80
Filtrations	\$ 295.87
Salaries and labor in city	947.82
Repairs to services and small mains	20.70
Repairs to mains, hydrants, etc.	34.09
Postage	32.28
Repairs to meters	189.21
Analyses	41.00
Taxes	960.00
Insurance	1.25
Telephones	40.67
Office expenses	75.97
Stationery and printing	33.80

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## TWO FOR THE FEDERAL PEN.

### More Serious Cases in U. S. Court Today

One Young White Man From Columbus Admitted He Was a Thief—Another From Robeson County Exonerated—Negro Who Stole Money Order Goes to Atlanta Prison—Thompson vs. Harmon For Trial Tomorrow.

In the United States Court today cases mainly of crimes against the postal laws occupied the attention of the court, though several small liquor cases were tried. Court is now rapidly clearing up the criminal docket, and will tomorrow give trial to the suit of Thompson vs. Harmon, which involves ownership to a part of Fort Caswell. The Government is really the defendant in the case, which is a most interesting one. Capt. R. P. Johnston, U. S. A., formerly engineer in charge here, arrived today from Asheville to be a witness at the trial.

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Uncle Sam guards carefully his postal service and ferrets out with endurance and skill those who commit crime against it. Two youths, one white and one black, found that out this morning and each goes to the penitentiary in Atlanta for one year. The case of the white youth was particularly sad, though his offense was an ugly one.

This youth, D. D. Coleman, of Chadbourn, plead guilty to the robbing of the postoffice. In fact, he had nothing else to do, as he was caught in the act. For some time the postoffice box of the bank of Chadbourn, has been robbed. Then for nights and nights the cashier of the bank kept a still watch inside the building for the thief. After much waiting, Coleman, one night, came into the postoffice, he tried to open the box used by the bank, but could not. Then he succeeded in opening the box next to it, thrust his hand inside and around and grabbed the mail out of the bank's box. Then he was captured. He admitted the other thefts, stating that he used the money and tore-up the checks.

The youth, well dressed, not unpleasant looking, aged eighteen, sought the mercy of the court. It was the first time he had been in trouble and he wanted a chance to reform. In evidence it was shown that Coleman had never had the advantage of the proper training in life. He had not had a chance.

This story, and the youthfulness of the defendant, must have pulled hard at the heart strings of Judge Waddill. It was one of the occasions when a court finds duty most trying, probably most pathetic. The man who does not have to face it does not know.

His Honor told the accused his crime had been an ugly one, but that, perhaps, he hadn't had a chance in life. So under the circumstances he would only sentence him to one year in the penitentiary—the minimum punishment—but from this he should learn a lesson, and he should come forth and engage in honest business.

The crime of the negro, William MacRae, happened in Laurinburg. He got the mail of one Young MacRae from a new postmaster. A letter contained a postoffice money order, which he attempted to collect, signing the name of MacRae. He plead all kinds of ignorance, saying that he had only asked for the MacRae mail and got the Young MacRae letter. He found the order, signed it, after he had been shown by the postmaster how to do so, and then wanted to collect the money to carry it to Young MacRae, a cousin. But the defendant had not been an exemplary prisoner by any means. After arrest he broke jail at Laurinburg and it took five months before he was recaptured. He was given a year in the prison in Atlanta.

The next case was another of robbing the postoffice, and was against another well dressed young white man, Franklin Ivey, of Robeson county, and who had been out on bond. Here five dollars had been taken out of a post-office drawer at Raynham. It was a marked bill and the defendant had later tried to pass it, and after he had been seen in the postoffice. He denied this and testified that he got the money from another man, and the defense endeavored to show that his story was plausible, because the postoffice was really a combination store and there was plenty of opportunity for others to have stolen the money, if it had been stolen, though there was much doubt about it, as there might have been a mix-up in marking and placing the decoy bill.

The case was hard fought, Assistant District Attorney Giles conducting the prosecution for the Government, and Stephen McIntyre, Esq., of Robeson

## THE SLAUGHTER HOUSES

Unsanitary Places Were Condemned Today at a Joint Conference Held at the Court House—Another Meeting to be Held Friday, at Which Time the Question of Sanitary Temporary and Permanent Slaughter Houses Will be Discussed.

A very important conference of the County Sanitary Board, and a committee from the County Board of Health was held at the court house at noon today to consider the unsanitary conditions said to surround the slaughter of cattle for the use of consumers on the local market. There were present at the conference the members of the Sanitary Board as follows: County Commissioners Duncan McEachern, H. L. Vollers, W. F. Robertson and M. W. Divine, and Drs. E. J. Wood and R. Harilee Bellamy, together with the committee from the Board of Health composed of Drs. D. W. Bullock, A. H. Harris and Chas. T. Nesbitt. Dr. T. B. Carroll, City Milk Inspector, was also present.

The meeting was called to order by Mr. McEachern, who stated the object for the gathering. After a full and comprehensive discussion of matters which have been brought to the attention of the board in connection with the complaints relative to the unsanitary conditions alleged to surround the slaughter of beef and cattle, two resolutions introduced by Dr. Bellamy were unanimously adopted as follows:

"Resolved, That, in accordance with the recommendation of the County Auxiliary Board, all carcasses of horses or cattle dying in the county shall be buried 6 feet under the surface of the earth until further orders, at a place to be designated by the County Commissioners or County Superintendent of Health."

"Resolved, That the County Commissioners be requested to set aside some portion of the County Home tract of land to provide a place for burying the carcasses of dead animals, and that they have the superintendent of the county home cause such animals to be buried where requested, upon payment of not to exceed \$5 in advance to cover expense of same."

A resolution was then offered by Dr. Harris providing for the abolition of the present slaughter houses on account of their unsanitary conditions, but the following amendment as offered by Mr. Divine, after full discussion, was unanimously adopted:

"Resolved, That all slaughter houses found in an unsanitary condition be condemned, and the owners of the same be requested to confer with the committee Friday at noon at the court house, for the purpose of discussing the erection of proper and sanitary buildings for slaughtering."

The slaughter house men in the city will be extended a written invitation through Clerk of the Board John Haar to attend the meeting Friday, at which time ways and means will be discussed for the erection of temporary and permanent slaughtering houses.

### At the Bijou

The feature film at the Bijou theatre today is called "Leah." The story is a beautiful Biblical story told in the film and it is one which will appeal to, and interest everyone who attends the theatre.

### BURNED CHILD DIED

Master Robert Craig Passed Away Last Night at the Residence of His Parents.

Master Robert Craig, the little son of Mr. and Mrs. William F. Craig, who was so terribly burned yesterday morning at the residence of his parents, No. 922 North Fourth street, succumbed to his injuries last night shortly after 9 o'clock. From the first it was seen that the fatal nature of the child's injuries precluded the possibility of his recovery. Mr. and Mrs. Craig will have the deep sympathy of the entire community in the great grief which has entered their lives through the tragic death of their little son.

### I Shrier's Sale.

Watch the number of well dressed men who will appear on the streets within the next few days clothed in the made-to-order suits from the unparalleled sale now being held by the well known establishment of I. Shrier, the "Square Deal House." A visit to our store will convince you that we have selected wisely and will make you decide to join the number of wise and discriminating clothing buyers. It

Doil Baby Shoes and Stockings at Rehder's branch store in the Bonitz Hotel.

county appearing for the defendant. The jury upon the reconvening of court this afternoon at 3 o'clock returned a verdict of not guilty.

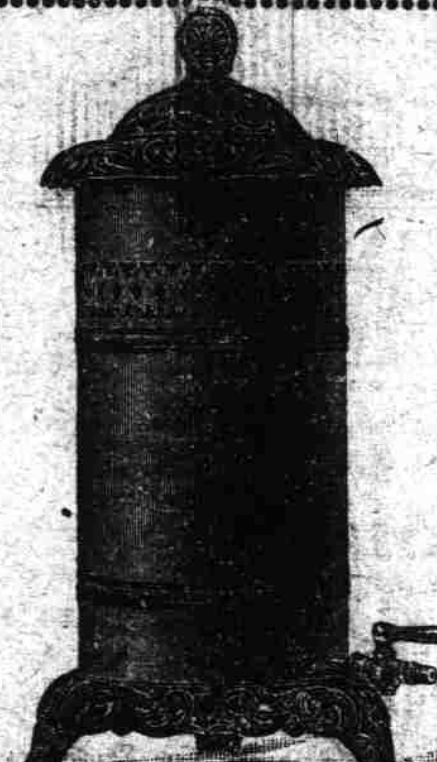
At the session yesterday afternoon the jury in the case of the well known white farmer of Cumberland county, John L. Smith, returned a verdict of not guilty. A number of trivial liquor cases consumed the balance of the session before the recess hour.

STATEMENT CONDITION			
THE MURCHISON NATIONAL BANK			
OF WILMINGTON, N. C.			
At the close of Business November 27th, 1908.			
Resources:		Liabilities:	
Loans and Discounts	\$2,574,534.92	Capital	\$ 550,000.00
N. C. State and other		Surplus and Net Profits	298,134.69
Bonds	188,044.25	Circulation	550,000.00
U. S. Bonds (at par)	550,000.00	U. S. Bond Account	100,000.00
Bank Buildings	55,000.00	Deposits	3,098,103.68
Cash	1,228,698.18		
	\$4,596,237.35		\$4,596,237.35
H. C. McQUEEN, President.		J. V. GRAINGER, Vice President.	
J. W. YATES, Vice President.		C. S. GRAINGER, Cashier.	

## Fancy Groceries at the Siwasa

Anchovy Paste, Bar-le-duc, Swiss Cheese, Sap-Sago, Crystalized Fruits.

Phones 108-109 S. W. SANDERS.



## Gas Heaters FOR Bed Room Bath Room Halls.

Ask the Gas Company

Statement of the Condition of the			
The American National Bank			
(the youngest and most progressive in the city)			
Of Wilmington, N. C., at the close of Business November 27th, 1908.			
Resources:		Capital and Liabilities:	
Loans and Discounts	\$208,543.33	Capital Stock	\$100,000.00
Overdrafts	45.53	Profits—net	2,648.88
U. S. Bonds and premiums	46,684.38	Circulation	45,000.00
Redemption Fund	2,850.00	Deposits	222,133.31
Furniture and Fixtures	4,580.49		
Cash	107,078.41		
	\$369,782.19		\$369,782.19
W. B. COOPER, President.		GEO. O. GAYLORD, Vice President.	
THOS. E. COOPER, Cashier.			

STATEMENT OF			
The Wilmington Savings and Trust Co.			
At the close of business, Nov. 27th, 1908.			
(Condensed from Report to North Carolina Corporation Commission.)			
Resources:		Liabilities:	
Loans and Discounts	\$1,368,390.68	Capital	\$ 100,000.00
Real estate	1,500.00	Undivided Profits	138,103.21
Furniture and fixtures	45,000.00	Deposits	1,308,931.34
Cash and due from banks	137,141.69		
	\$1,547,033.37		\$1,547,033.37
J. W. Norwood, President.		C. E. Taylor, Jr., Cashier.	
H. Walters, Vice President.		J. L. Williams, Assistant Cashier.	

## Malaga Grapes, Large Cocoanuts, Loose Buckwheat, Seeded Raisins, Big Pineapples, Fine Bananas, Codfish Waffles, Cleaned Currants, Nice Prunes.

### CARPENTER GROCERY

## This Space for Sale