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MARSHALL, MADISON COUNTY, N. C., FRIDAY, JANUARY 5, 1912.

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## Directory.

Madison County.  
Established by the Legislature Session 1880-'81.  
Population, 20,132.  
County Seat, Marshall.  
1645 feet above sea level.  
New and modern Court House, cost \$28,000.00.  
New and modern jail, cost \$15,000.00.  
New and modern County Home, cost \$10,000.00.  
Officers.  
Hon. Jas. L. Hyatt, Senator, 33 District, Burgessville, N. C.  
Hon. J. C. Ramsey, Representative, Marshall, N. C.  
W. H. Henderson, Clerk Superior Court, Marshall, N. C.  
W. M. Buckner, Sheriff, Marshall, N. C.  
James Smart, Register of Deeds, Marshall, N. C.  
C. F. Runyon, Treasurer, Marshall, N. C.  
R. F. D. No. 2.  
Dr. J. H. Baird, Coroner, Mars Hill, N. C.  
Mrs. Eliza Henderson, Jailor, Marshall, N. C.  
John Honeycutt, Janitor, Marshall, N. C.  
Dr. C. N. Sprinkle, County Physician, Marshall, N. C.  
James Haynie, Supt. County Home, Marshall, N. C.  
Home located about two miles southwest of Marshall.  
Courts.  
Criminal and Civil, First Monday before First Monday in March, commencing Feb. 26th, 1912.  
Civil 11th, Monday after First Monday in March, commences May 20, 1912.  
Criminal and Civil, First Monday after First Monday in Sept. commences Sept. 9th, 1912.  
Civil 6th, Monday after First Monday in September, commences October 14, 1912.  
BOARDS.  
County Commissioners.  
W. C. Sprinkle, Chairman, Marshall, N. C.  
C. F. Cassada, Member, Marshall, N. C.  
R. F. D. No. 1.  
Reubin A. Tweed, Member, Big Laurel, N. C.  
C. B. Mashburn, Atty., Marshall, N. C.  
Board meets first Monday in every month.  
Road Commissioners.  
A. E. Bryan, Chairman, Marshall, N. C.  
R. F. D. No. 2.  
J. A. Ramsey, Secretary, Mars Hill, N. C.  
R. F. D. No. 2.  
Sam Cox, Member, Mars Hill, N. C.  
R. F. D. No. 2.  
G. W. Wild, Big Pine, N. C.  
Dudley Chipley, Road Engineer, Marshall, N. C.  
George M. Pritchard, Atty., Marshall, N. C.  
Board meets first Monday in January, April, July and October each year.  
Board of Education.  
Jasper Ebbs, Chairman, Spring Creek, N. C.  
Thos. J. Murray, Member, Marshall, N. C.  
R. F. D. No. 3.  
W. R. Sams, Marshall, N. C.  
R. F. D. No. 2.  
Prof. M. C. Buckner, Supt. of Schools, Mars Hill, N. C.  
R. F. D. No. 2.  
Board Meets first Monday in January, April, July and October each year.  
Colleges and High Schools.  
Mars Hill College, Prof. R. L. Moore, President, Mars Hill, N. C. Fall Term begins August 17, 1911. Spring Term begins January 2, 1912.  
Spring Creek High School, Prof. G. C. Brown, Principal, Spring Creek, N. C. 8 Mo. School opened August 1, 1911.  
Madison Seminary High School, Prof. J. M. Weatherly, Principal, Marshall, N. C. R. F. D. No. 2. 7 Mo. School began October 2, 1911.  
Bell Institute, Miss Margaret E. Griffith, Principal, Walnut, N. C. 8 Mo. School began September 8, 1911.  
Marshall Academy, Prof. R. G. Anders, Principal, Marshall, N. C. R. F. D. No. 2. Mo. School began Sept. 4, 1911.  
Notary Publics.  
J. C. Ramsey, Marshall, N. C. Term expires Jan. 11, 1912.  
A. J. Roberts, Marshall, N. C. R. F. D. No. 2. Term expires May 30, 1912.  
Jasper Ebbs, Spring Creek, N. C. Term expires August 10, 1912.  
C. C. Brown, Bluff, N. C. Term expires December 4, 1912.  
J. A. Leak, Ravens, N. C. Term expires January 10, 1912.  
W. T. Davis, Hot Springs, N. C. Term expires January 10, 1912.  
J. H. Southworth, Stockhouse, N. C. Term expires January 15, 1912.  
N. W. Anderson, Paint Fort, N. C. Term expires February 6, 1912.  
J. H. Hunter, Marshall, N. C. R. F. D. No. 2. Term expires April 1, 1912.  
J. F. Tison, Marshall, N. C. R. F. D. No. 2. Term expires April 3, 1912.  
C. J. Ebbs, Marshall, N. C. Term expires April 21, 1912.  
J. W. Nelson, Marshall, N. C. Term expires April 25, 1912.  
Roy L. Gudgeon, Marshall, N. C. Term expires May 3, 1912.  
Geo. M. Pritchard, Marshall, N. C. Term expires May 24, 1912.  
Dudley Chipley, Marshall, N. C. Term expires July 19, 1912.  
W. O. Connor, Mars Hill, N. C. Term expires November 27, 1912.  
POST.  
George W. Oshagan Post, No. 28 G. A. R.  
E. M. Davis, Commander.  
J. E. Ballard, Adjutant.  
Meets at the Court House Saturday before the second Sunday in each month at 11 A. M.

## STATE IS TO HAVE ANOTHER RAILROAD

HOUGHT TO BE AFTER CONNECTION WITH THE TRANS-CONTINENTAL RAILROAD.

## DUNCAN WOULD NOT TALK

Mr. Duncan, a Director of the Norfolk Southern, Has Gone to New York to Attend Meeting of Transcontinental Construction Company.

Raleigh.—On a mission concerning the building of another railroad, which may go into the Norfolk Southern railroad system. Mr. E. C. Duncan, a director of the Norfolk Southern, who has been identified with the recent purchases of lines in this state for the Norfolk Southern left for New York.  
Mr. Duncan is a director of the North Carolina Transcontinental Construction Company, which owns the South Atlantic Transcontinental Railroad Company and its charter. The men behind that railroad are endeavoring to construct a line from Knoxville, Tenn., to Rutherfordton, N. C., and work has recently begun on this. The directors are to meet in New York and it is expected that as a result there may be more railroad building in North Carolina.  
Mr. Duncan declined to say anything of the purposes of the meeting in New York but it is reported that he will endeavor to secure at the directors' meeting an interest in the construction company for the Norfolk Southern Railroad, with the view of giving to that road a connection with the Transcontinental railroad, which would give it direct access to the coal fields of Tennessee and West Virginia.  
The directors of the company are Mr. E. C. Duncan, Raleigh; Gen. T. C. Dupont, Wilmington, Del.; V. L. Mason, W. H. Strayhorn and Harry Content, New York. Mr. Mason is president. Mr. Strayhorn, vice-president. Edward F. Cloran, treasurer, and Arthur H. Faust, secretary of the company.

## Has Asked State to Intervene.

The members of the Corporation Commission, the committee on transportation of the Southern Furniture Manufacturers Association and Governor Kitchen conferred relative to the Corporation Commission and the State intervening as complainant before the Interstate Commerce Commission in a suit the furniture manufacturers of North Carolina have brought to compel the railroad companies to give them the same low rates to the Pacific coast that the manufacturers of New York, Ohio, Georgia, Indiana and Pennsylvania have. If the commission and the state take over the litigation of the manufacturers Attorney General T. W. Bickett will be expected to take charge of the suit.

## North Carolina New Enterprises.

The secretary of state issued two charters for new enterprises in the state. The Dublin Store Company, with offices at Dublin, N. C., is chartered to do a general mercantile business. Capital stock is \$100,000, but the company may begin business when \$30,000 has been paid in. The incorporators are Mr. J. C. Newsom, of Dublin; Mr. T. G. Frasier, of Dublin, and Mr. F. A. Brooks, of Greensboro. The Molebrook Farm Company, of Mead End, Moore county, to do real estate business. Capital stock is \$125,000, paid in \$4,000. The incorporators are Messrs. R. J. W. O. W. P. and F. A. Cochran, all of Charlotte.

## Portrait of Sir Walter Raleigh.

A magnificent crayon portrait of Sir Walter Raleigh has arrived in Manteo. It is presented by Chief Justice Walter Clark to Dare county, and will be formally received, with appropriate ceremonies, in the near future and will be hung over the judge's stand in our new court house. Our people unite in highest appreciation of this valuable and appropriate gift, and an enthusiastic audience is expected.

## Poultry Show Dates Were Mixed.

Through mistake, it appeared that the dates for the coming meeting of the Charlotte poultry show which is to be held in the auditorium were January 26-29, when the dates should have been January 16-19. This move up the show 10 days and therefore it behooves all those who are to have birds on display should get busy with their plans as quickly as possible. All arrangements are being consummated with the view of having the largest and best poultry show that Charlotte has ever known.

## A Big Fire At Grimsland.

Fire starting in a negro restaurant destroyed half the business section of Grimsland, a town 12 miles from Greensboro, on the Norfolk Southern Railroad. The fire swept the entire side of the street on which it originated and was only prevented by hard work from getting a foothold on the other side of the street. The total loss is about \$25,000, more than half covered by insurance. The heaviest losers were H. H. Proctor and D. O. Moore, who carried on a large mercantile business.

## WORK IN ROBESON COUNTY

The Scientific Method of Farming and Any Old Way Contrasted.—Pertinent Questions.

Raleigh.—Having been employed as agent for the farmers' co-operative demonstration work in the southern part of Robeson county for the past year, it is gratifying to know that the United States Department of Agriculture methods of preparation and cultivation are far superior to the common methods used in our county. Of their method I will give briefly: Preparation—deep and thorough pulverization—seed—carefully select the best; cultivation—intensive, every 10 to 15 days, but shallow and late. Of the common method I will give also: Preparation—shallow, Seed—any kind, just as they will come up. Cultivation—deep and just often enough to keep the grass from getting higher than the corn or cotton, and quit soon.

Now I will give you some of the results of the two methods, first of co-operative demonstration work, the names of parties who worked some corn under this method, which ranged from 27 1/2 bushels to 129 bushels per acre. First, those who produced 101 bushels and above per acre are: A. H. Leggett, J. S. Floyd and Andrew Smith. Second, those who produced 90 bushels and above per acre: R. A. Hardell, J. A. Thompson, F. J. Nye, J. H. Bass. Third, those who produced 80 bushels and above per acre: M. Shephard, D. F. Phillips, N. C. McCommack, G. H. Floyd, John Briddens; fourth, those who produced 70 bushels and above per acre: J. A. Stone, W. A. Graham, W. G. Graham, J. E. Parker. Fifth, those who produced 60 bushels and above per acre: W. H. Watts, Haynes Prevatt, F. B. Johnson, W. W. Lee, J. B. Walters, E. F. Purvis, G. L. Robeson, W. H. Harden, J. W. Burnes. Sixth, those who produced 50 bushels and above per acre: W. H. Faulk, J. T. Purvis, William Byrd, U. A. Bullock, W. P. Britt, O. T. Atkinson, G. B. Kinlaw, W. A. Harrington, H. G. Byrd, G. D. Floyd, P. H. Adams, J. F. Adams, F. W. Walters. Seventh, those who produced 40 bushels and above per acre: E. H. Prevatt, W. H. Allen, W. A. Sealay, H. E. Purvis, J. P. Britt, O. H. Quay, W. O. Sellers, B. W. Pittman, J. H. Johnson, A. Davis, J. C. Carlyle, B. L. Parker, W. A. Leggett, L. D. Pittman, Wright Leggett, J. F. Walters.

## To Have A Central Warehouse.

A meeting of the supreme council of the Farmers' Union of North Carolina was held in the office of Secretary E. C. Faris in Raleigh. At this meeting a warehouse committee, consisting of Messrs. W. B. Gibson of Statesville, W. H. Moore of Pitt county, W. G. Crowder of Wake county, I. T. Coggins of Chatham and C. C. Wright of Wilkes county, was appointed for the purpose of securing the necessary charter for the incorporation of the State Warehouse Company. It is the intention of the officers of this company to place a central warehouse for the storage of cotton, in one of the principal cities of the state.

## Another Crime in Cleveland.

A dastardly attack somewhat similar to the one made on Mr. and Mrs. John Dixon in upper Cleveland December 13, occurred at Earl, 8 miles below Shelby on the Southern Railroad way when Mr. William Kendrick, brother of Policeman Bob Kendrick of Shelby, went to his barn to feed and was assaulted by two negroes who pelted him with rocks and set fire to his barn. Policeman Kendrick and Deputy George Allen went to Earl to work on the case and arrested Plato Jennings and Henry Whisnant and the latter's young son.

## Await The Result of Meeting.

Upon the result of a meeting of the stockholders of the Mecklenburg Fair Association which will take place on January 8, depends the continuance of the organization and the further holding of annual fairs in Charlotte. It has been estimated that during the 19 years which the association has been in existence, an average dividend of six per cent. has been forthcoming yearly to the stockholders.

## Raleigh.—Governor Kitchen has not yet named the man who is to succeed Judge Geo. W. Ward as judge of the First District.

## To Canvass State to Complete Fund.

At a special meeting of the Bill Nye building at the Stonehall Jack days ago at Charlotte Mr. J. P. Cook, its treasurer, was authorized to make a canvass of the state to complete the fund for the erection of the Bill Nye building at the Stonehall Jack son Training School at Concord. A great personal sacrifice Mr. Cook tendered his services to the committee, offering to devote at least four months to the task of bringing to a successful conclusion an undertaking begun over a year ago.

## An Important Transfer.

In the probate court at Greensboro Mr. Isaac Hammer, of Kansas, recorded a transfer of title from him and Mrs. Hammer of 540 acres of land in Kansas, valued at \$20,000, to the endowment fund of Sylvan Academy in Alamance county. The gift is made in honor of Mrs. Hammer, who was Miss Jane Stuart, of Alamance, and was educated at Sylvan Academy. The trustees are J. S. Cox, of Greensboro; Nathan Stuart, Mrs. Lydia Allen Stuart, Nathan Hammar, W. B. Stuart, Harry Hammar, Alamance.

## TURKS DEFEAT ITALIAN FORCE

PUT TO FLIGHT WITH GREAT LOSS AFTER TWENTY-FOUR HOURS' BATTLE.

## ITALIAN LOSS IS ONE-HALF

Commander of Turkish Troops Reports Garrison Annihilated and Munitions Captured.

Washington.—A twenty-four-hour battle, in which the Turkish troops defeated the Italian force, killing half of it in the rout, is described in an official message from Constantinople, made public at the Turkish embassy. The message was transmitted to the Imperial ministry of war at Constantinople by the commander of the Turkish troops from Tobruk, Tripoli, under date of December 22. The report follows:  
"We have attacked the fortified posts of the enemy. Notwithstanding the fire from the warships and fort batteries, we entered the fort and the garrison has been annihilated. Ammunition, provisions, war material and a quick-firing gun have been carried into our camp.  
"In its forward march, one of our wings cut off the retreat of the enemy, who fled toward the coast. During the retreat the enemy lost half their numbers. The battle lasted all day and night.  
"Among the killed were three officers of the enemy. Our losses were seven killed and a few wounded. The Cheikh Mert, who, with his five sons, came at the head of his tribe, is among the dead.  
"The courage of our officers and soldiers is exemplary. Lieutenant Medjid Bey was the first to enter the fort. He destroyed the quick-firing guns and carried away one into our camp."

## TOFIX FORM OF GOVERNMENT

China's Future in the Hands of National Convention

Shanghai.—The peace conference being held here between the representative of the Peking government and the revolutionary party agreed that the form of government to be ultimately adopted for China should be decided by a national convention, whose determination should be binding on both parties. It also was agreed that pending the decision of the national convention, the Manchou government was neither to accept nor to attempt to obtain foreign loans.  
Another agreement reached is that all Manchou troops in the provinces of Shan Si, Shen Si, Huh Peh, Nganwei and Kiangsu shall evacuate their present positions and withdraw from them to a distance of 100 li (about 37 miles) within five days, beginning from December 31. The republican troops meanwhile shall neither advance nor occupy the places evacuated pending special arrangements to be reached by mutual agreement. The Manchou troops are not to advance nor to attack the positions at Shanghai held by the republicans, nor shall the republican troops advance upon nor capture new places.

## Arrested for Forgery.

Nashville, Tenn.—E. Kline, a Hungarian, who represented himself as James Stewart, of New York, was arrested here on a charge of forgery, and will be taken back to Scranton, Pa., to face his accusers. Kline came to Nashville last Saturday and announced that he was James Stewart, a New York contractor of the firm of James Stewart & Co., and intended to beautify suburban sections about this city, and engage in an extensive scheme of villa sites.

## Richeson's Condition Prevents Trial.

Boston.—The physical and mental condition of the Rev. C. V. Richeson is so unfavorable that he will be an absolute impossibility in the opinion of his counsel. "Perhaps his wounds may be in a favorable condition," says a statement from his lawyer, "but his general and mental condition is far from favorable, and I believe an early attempt to put him on trial at so early a date would cause a collapse which would delay the trial indefinitely."

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Tokyo.—A conference of members of the Japanese cabinet, at which many of the older statesmen, including Prince Katsura, the ex-premier, were invited to assist, was held here. The strictest secrecy has been maintained regarding the subjects of discussion, but it is believed that the latest developments of the situation in China were under consideration. It is understood that the conference reached the conclusion that the adoption of a republican government by China was inevitable.

## General Reyes Surrenders.

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## NEGRO LYNCHED BY MOB

Police Are Unable to Find Any Clue and It's Improbable Any Arrests Will Be Made.

Baltimore, Md.—King Davis, a negro, aged 25 years, who shot and killed Frederick A. Schwab (white) at Fairfield, was taken from the lock-up at Brooklyn, a suburb of Baltimore, and shot to death by a small mob.

Davis, who was also known by the name of Johnson, was dragged to a spot about 200 yards from the station and shot through the lungs four times. His body was not discovered until several hours later by a passer-by, who notified the police. No all-night guard is kept at the prison, and the authorities had no knowledge of the affair until the finding of the body was reported. Chief Irwin at once started an investigation, but has unearthed no clue.

The avenging band, thought to have not exceeded eight or ten in number, formed quietly. They effected an entrance into the lock-up without attracting the attention of those living nearby, and went to Davis' cell, where they found the negro asleep. Hubert Chase, another negro, who was held as a witness in the Schwab case, was not molested. Chase said Davis fought desperately and shrieked for mercy, but his cries were quickly silenced by a blow on the head, which stretched him unconscious. He was then dragged away to his death.

No noise or outcries were heard by the neighbors, except the shots, and no attention was paid to these, as they were thought to have been fired by Christmas merry-makers.  
Between the prison and the scene of the lynching, the grass was trampled down, and a trail of blood, indicating that Davis was badly beaten before he was taken out.

## RUSSIANS KILLING PERSIANS

500 Men, Women and Children Murdered at Pesht, Persia.

London.—A massacre has been going on in Resht, according to official Persian telegrams received in London. These state that 500 Persians were killed by the Russians, many of them women and children. The people, it is said, have been exhorted not to fight and not to give the slightest provocation, but the massacre still continues.

Resht is the capital of the province of Ghilan and has 40,000 inhabitants. The government house has been bombarded and many government officials and police killed. Many private houses have been demolished.

According to dispatches, the Russians killed four unarmed Mohammedans in the Armenian quarter of Tabriz during the fighting in that city.

"The people of Persia," says one dispatch, "are stupefied at the attitude of Russia, especially as these outrages have followed immediately on the acceptance by Persia of the second Russian ultimatum, and when Persia has shown every desire and disposition to conciliate Russia and establish friendly relations."

## Aviator Injured by Fall.

Milledgeville, Ga.—Stanley James, an aviator, who was scheduled to give exhibition flights here, fell from a height of about sixty feet and was painfully though not seriously injured. The accident was witnessed by but few, as it happened at the Treanor race track, across the river, just as the aviator had risen in his aeroplane to come over to the city to give an exhibition. The injured man was hurriedly taken to the Baldwin hotel, where he received medical attention. James is from Washington, D. C., and was headed for Tampa, Fla., giving exhibitions at various places en route. He was to have gone from here to Dublin. His accident and failure to make flights disappointed a large crowd. The Titcomb machine was completely demolished.

## Reyes Cheerful in Prison.

Mexico City.—His first night in the military prison here did not appear to depress Gen. Bernardo Reyes very much. He slept in the room of the sub-director of the Santiago prison, and was granted all that was necessary for his comfort.

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## PERSIA DOOMED TO RUSSIAN RULE

LAST VESTIGE OF INDEPENDENCE WILL BE DESTROYED BY THE CZAR.

## VENGEANCE IS THREATENED

Great Britain is Acting as Russia's Accomplice and Englishmen Feel Outraged.

London.—The Russian government has decided to suppress disorders at Tabriz and other disturbed Persian towns. The dislocation of the telegraph lines makes it impossible to get a reliable narrative of the outbreaks. Yet it cannot be doubted that a situation of the gravest complexity has arisen.

As reports of Russian progress in Persia and stories of the indiscriminate killing of natives in Tabriz and Resht, and of the destruction of Persia's constitutional government under Russian menaces continue to reach England, the people are becoming increasingly disquieted at the British government's complicity, which the foreign secretary, Sir Edward Grey, thinks is a matter of policy and compelled by the Anglo-Russian agreement.

St. Petersburg.—A semi-official statement issued says that the Russian government, in view of "acts of foolhardy aggression committed against the Russian forces and institutions in Tabriz, Resht and Ensel, sometimes followed by brutal torture of the wounded and base outrages against the dead," has decided that "the severest punishment of the guilty is merited, and Russian commanders, in conjunction with Russian consuls, are instructed to adopt the most stringent measures."

Teheran.—It is understood that the regent and cabinet desire the appointment of the American, F. E. Cairns, the principal assistant of Mr. Shuster, as the new treasurer general of Persia. It is more likely, however, that M. Mornard, the Belgian ex-director of customs in Persia, who some months ago made himself prominent by his hostility to Mr. Shuster, will receive the position.

## FEDERAL COURTS SCORED

Governor Baldwin of Connecticut Says Superior Courts Merely.

Buffalo, N. Y.—Control of state authorities by inferior United States courts has developed to such an extent that the people are becoming impatient, declared Gov. Simeon E. Baldwin of Connecticut at the opening of the twenty-seventh annual meeting of the American Historical Association and the eighth annual meeting of the American Political Science Association in joint session here. If some of the recent court decisions are not disaffirmed, Governor Baldwin said, the judicial power of the United States apparently will extend to any justifiable controversy arising in any state although pertaining to mere matters of local concern. Governor Baldwin also found a real danger in the recent utterance of a president that he was for a constitution when it conserved the people's rights, but not when it perpetuated the people's wrongs.

"The danger," he said, "is that a chief magistrate by some stretch of his executive or military authority may come to play the part of a dictator. It is only a remote possibility but the science which we profess warns us that great powers are apt sometimes to be used and that our fathers were right when they declared that eternal vigilance was the price of liberty."

## 147 Lives Lost; Nobody Guilty.

New York.—The state failed in its effort to fix the blame for the fire horror of March 25, 1911, in which 147 employees of the Triangle Waist company lost their lives. A verdict of "not guilty" was returned by the jury in the case of Isaac Harris and Max Blanck, proprietors of the factory, who were indicted in connection with the holocaust. One hysterical man cried: "Not guilty, Not guilty! Murder! Murder! Murder!"

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## PLOTS EXTENDED ABROAD

Iron Workers' Activities Only Formed Technical Basis for Criss-Crossed Plotting.

Indianapolis, Ind.—During the last three weeks information has been unearthed which gives to the dynamite conspiracy case an international scope and a much wider, deeper meaning in the United States than heretofore it has had, according to information obtained.

One detail of the new information is certain large commercial organizations not affiliated with the National Erectors' association made contributions of thousands of dollars toward the execution of dynamite plots originating in the International Association of Bridge and Structural Iron workers.

These contributions were not to be made as coming from any firm or corporation, but were given as personal contributions from certain individuals whose names are in the hands of the National Erectors' association and of the Federal authorities.

It is believed that if the Federal authorities take the time to go into every angle of the investigation that the work of the grand jury will not have been completed before the summer days are here.

It now develops that the actual dynamitings laid at the door of the iron workers' union formed but the technical basis for commercial and labor organizations to indulge in criss-crossed plotting, scheming and intrigue and blackmail.

The thread connecting all these plots and counterplots is very frail, even severed in places, thus making the task of obtaining sufficient legal evidence with which to connect them all an almost hopeless one for the government.

## COTTON MILLS TO CLOSE

160,000 Workers in English Cotton Mills Face Lockout.

Manchester, England.—Nothing has happened to warrant the hope that the lock-out of 160,000 cotton workers in Lancashire can be averted. The weavers in the Halens mill at Accrington went on strike December 20 because of the employment of non-union labor. Two days later the committee of the Lancashire Cotton Spinners' and Manufacturers' association decided to lock out the workers in all the mills belonging to the federation as a protest against an attempt of trade unionists to force weavers to join the ranks.

Meanwhile the original cause of the dispute—the refusal of a man and his wife to join the union at Accrington—is likely to be removed.

## "Trait-rous," Cries Roosevelt.

New York.—Close on the heels of one great peace meeting, which was broken up by disturbers opposed to the ratification of President Taft's proposed treaties with England and France, disagreements have arisen over what is being planned as one of the greatest peace dinners the country has ever seen. Former President Roosevelt replied to an invitation to declare that his sentiments were wholly at variance with those to be expressed at the affair and censuring it as "traitorous."

## Shuster Has Quit.

London.—The proclamation of martial law at Teheran following the dismissal of W. Morgan Shuster by the Persian cabinet and the fragmentary reports received as to a bloody massacre by Russian soldiers at Resht are causing serious apprehension.

Teheran.—The cabinet notified W. Morgan Shuster, the American treasurer general of Persia, of his dismissal from that office. This follows the decision of the national council and the ministry to submit to the demands in the Russian ultimatum.

## An Old Soldier Robbed.

Montgomery, Ala.—While en route to his home in Nashville from Beauvoir, Miss., where he had attended his brother's funeral, Joseph Meyer, a veteran of two wars, who states that he is 100 years and six months old, was robbed of his overcoat as he slept on a train coming into Montgomery. The coat contained his transportation. He was in a pitiable plight until the city commission furnished him a ticket.

## Christian Science Goes in Panama.

Washington.—President Taft settled the vexed question of allowing the practice of Christian Science or other non-medical methods of healing the sick in the Panama canal zone. The executive order made, several months ago which members of the Christian Science church feared would prohibit their method of healing, was modified so that there can be no doubt as to the lawfulness of such practice. The order as modified goes into effect at once.