

State Scontor John Thompson is about one of the best storytellers in these parts, and his repertoirs includes a los of good ones, fish and otherwise. On the truthfulness of some he will tion, a sort, ball done itish potato took him kerzip right between the eyes. It knocked off his spetacles and flattened into much all over his classic counte-nance. It surprised and shocked him of course. Bacovaring his glasses he wiped the sticky stuff from his face and said with excited tone," My friends, I have been - I have been a consistentstake his reputation for weracity, but he tells one which he always prefixes with the statement that it was told him by a minister of the gospel. Dr. Bardwell, who will be remembered here

under side. "He put the money in his pocket, and the dog followed him home. The dog appeared to be friendly and the man petted him and gave him his sup-per. At night when the family retired the dog was put on the outside, but he kept up such a racket that no one could alsop on the place and when the man opened the door to drive the dog off he rushed into his bedroom and at once became very gulet, lying down hear the foot of the bed, where he slept all night.

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CHARLOTTE, N. C., Jer. 21, 1001. Vade Meeum Spring Co., Winston Salem, N. C.: Geotlemen-After using 40 bottles of the Vade Macun Missral Water, I an prepared to say the for indigestion, sluggish liver, soldity of the stomach, with which I have been trubbled for months, I find it the most antisfactory of all mineral water (Lithia, Sulphur and Tute's) I have used. I am not **Open for Boarders on July 1.** 

a consistent member of the Presbyte-rian church-the Presbyterian church I say for more than-more than fifty years-yes. fity odd years, and have tried to live-tried to live in harmony tried to live-tried to live in harmony with all men-with all men, but if the dirty, dogond, dadblamed puppy who threw that potato will stand up or raise his right hand 1'll be-I'll be dadblass-ed if I don't stop speaking long enough to come down and lick the hair and hide off of him to two minutes by the clock." As acbody ressur raised a hand the colopel resumed his broken remarks, but declares that he never came

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This thing of cursiog is of very an cleat origin. Sometimes it was done by proxy. Balak, the king of Moab, hired Balaam to ourse farael, and some of us Balaam to ourse incent, and we, too, wanted to hire a cusin man to expend wanted to hire a cusin man to expend wanted to nive a cutain main to expend our wrath upon the yahkees. Peter cursed and swore when accused of be-ing one of the disciples. It is probable that he said "Fill be danned if I am," or perhaps worse. Soldiers and suffors have in all ages been profane-the very class that are in grantest peril and should have the grastast reverance for their maker. Uncle Toby says, "Our army swore beribly in Planders." And Uncle Tuby himself swore an oath when he found the sick soldiers lying and dying at his gate. "He shall not die, by God," he mid, and the accursing spirit flew up to beaven with the oath and blushed as he gave it in. The rec-ording angel as he words it down drop-ped a tear upon the word and blotted it out forever." That is beautiful, isend it? Verily, charity hideth a multitude of size. class that are in greatest peril and

But this is enough on this subject. It is too hot to work in the garden and so I get in the shade of the vince of my versideh and rominate. Judge Grigges, our housed member of con-green, talls that story on Colonel Liv-ingston and he told another that will make the old men forget that it is bot, for they never got too old to enjoy soy story that has a pretty woman in it. One of the inst cases brought before the judge was a young unsophisticated ecountry boy whe was charged with an seasult upon a bonels for any girl in that he had eaught her at the apring and hunged and kined her against her will. Her mother saw it from her plan-za and heard her soreams and saw him run away to the field where he was presented him. She was the witten But this is enough on this subject. It

by the older inhabitants as the assis-tant of Dr. Edgar, of revered memory, who was pastor of the First Presby terian church during the latter years of General Andrew Jackson's life, and attended the old hero in his last illness.

Senator Thompson said: "Dr. Bardwell used to visit my father's house when I was a boy and the story I am about to tell you was related to me on the occasion of one of these visits. We were out ou or these visits. We were out on the verands smoking one evening after supper. The doctor was fond of dogs and was a pretty good sportsman, and heiurally the conversation turned on this subject this subject.

"Monaking of dogs, said Dr. Bard-well, reminds me of a dog which be-longed to a friend of mine in Missia-sippi. I had been invited to bold sippl. I had been invited to bold services at a church pear this friend's house and wrote him to meet me at the station, some six miles from his house. on the Saturday afternoon before Suu-day, the day of the appeintment. "He was on the some in the bornes and we stated to his home. I noticed a yery handsome bird dog followed us, and having heard that some one in that mighborbood owned an especial by well trained the dog, 1 asked my friend about it.

"That's the dog,' at the mame 'ime pointing at his dog which had run shead of us and was waiting at the forks of the road. "I asked him to make him perform a

"I asked min to mass this perform a a trick. He got down from his horse called the dog, and taking oat his posk-stbook held it to the dog's nose. He then took out a silver half dollar and walking some distance into the woods

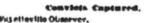
raised up a large rock and put the money under it. We then resumed our journey, and when probably half a mile away, my friend called his dog and told him to go back and get the money.

and told him to go back and get the money. "The dog, without the least hesita-tion, started back on a rate, and my friend exclaimed as the roat was heavy the dog would be manble to turn it over so he would have to advatch under it to reach the piece of money and he would not probably reach home before we reached there it then being about three miles further on to his house. "However when we remoked home the dog was not there. We als suppor and still the dog did not come, nor had he put in appearance when we retired about 10 e cleek. "The next morning we got up about

plowing. She was very indignant, and "The next morning we got up about presented him. She was the witness daplight, and hearing a noise outside hintiefaction guaranteed by J. E. Ourry and so was the girl, but the girl dident my friend opened the door and the dog & Co., Draggists.

"The man followed as soon as he could get his mule. "Hearing this story my friend

the pantaloons and on searching the pockets found the half-dollar which he had hid under the rook the afternoon belore.



Yesterday utternoon a negro's house in Order Ureak was entered by two young white mea and robbed of a lut

of provisions. The negro saw them all the time, but was not able to cope of provisions. The negro saw them all the time, but was not able to cope with them. When they had gune, he alarmed the neighborbood and a pesse was organized with township constable J. W. Carter at the besd. The men were soon run down and captured. When they were brought to jail here last night they both confeased to being seened convicts. One gave his name as Charles Hair, from Wilkes county, and the other as F. M. Fedder, of Mitchell county. Both are young, hardy looking mountainsers, and both were sum to the peniteotiasy for mur-der. One shot and killed his rival in love during a quartel add the other shot and killed a young man during a dispute over a game of craps. If air was serving a ten year sentences and had only II months longer to stay. Fedder was just entering on a five year sectance. They said that they ecosped list Wednesday from the chain gang at Goldshoro.

Gold Sheriff Barns communicated with

the peutentiary autorities at Raleigh at ouce, and they wired back to send the meu ou at once, so officer Carter left for Raleigh at noon with the men.

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and Tate's) I have need. I am not prepared to discontinue its new yet. I have no trouble with the alimenta mentioned, yet I want to let the recov-ery be complete.

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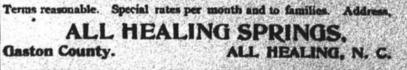
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