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HIGHWAYMAN IS STILL AT LARGE

Officers Thus Far Have Failed To Capture Negro Who Waylaid Mr. Stapleford.

SEEN AT VARIOUS PLACES

Traces of Him On Norfolk Southern Railroad Between This City and Vanceboro.

After a search lasting all through the previous night Sheriff R. B. Lane yesterday morning called in his deputies who were engaged in a hunt for the negro who on Tuesday afternoon attacked W. D. Stapleford, a citizen of Truitts, near Bridgeton, and robbed him of thirty-five dollars.

It was thought at the time that the negro had stolen a boat, as one belonging to Archie Wallace was missed from its mooring on the east side of the river yesterday morning and was later found tied up at Union Point on this side of the river, and had come to New Bern. Later in the day the Sheriff received information that a negro answering the description of the fugitive, had arrived at the construction camp of the East Carolina Lumber Company who are building a tram road in Pamlico county and had asked for work. He was informed that no additional help was needed and continued on his way.

Late yesterday afternoon another telephone message was received by the Sheriff. This was from D. P. Whitford at Askins. Mr. Whitford stated that fugitive had been seen there and after inquiring about the schedule of the passenger trains passing that point left the town, presumably going to Vanceboro.

The authorities all along the line between New Bern and Washington have been notified to be on the lookout for the fugitive and every effort will be made to apprehend him.

Mr. Stapleford, the victim of the assault and robbery, was yesterday feeling the effects of his encounter with the highwayman physically but will probably be completely recovered in a day or two.

Believing the fugitive would attempt to board the train en route to Norfolk at some point along the line, Sheriff Lane last night telegraphed the Chief of Police at Washington to send a man to Chocowinity and have him watch all trains arriving there. The Sheriff left on the midnight train for Chocowinity, intending to watch for the man at points along the line.

The chief of police of Tarboro failed to carry out his promise to come to New Bern with his bloodhounds. Nor did he send any message to Sheriff Lane explaining his failure to show up. Presumably he failed to make his arrangements to get to the Norfolk Southern railroad in time to catch the early train and then decided not to come at all.

KICKED BY MULE

John Campbell of Bridgeton was painfully injured yesterday morning when a mule owned by T. W. Holton kicked him on the leg. Mr. Holton had received a carload of horses and mules from the West on the previous night and Mr. Campbell, who is in the employ of the former gentleman, was unloading them. One of the animals became unruly and succeeded in planting one of his hoofs on Mr. Campbell's leg. It was at first thought that the limb was broken but an examination proved that the injuries consisted only of bruises.

PROGRAM AT THE ATHENS TO-DAY

New Vaudeville. Faust and Faust, comedy pantomime, musical entertainers. This act is a splendid novelty.

PICTURES

"A Lucky Fall."

This is a splendid western picture by the Lubin Co.

"Pala."

A great cowboy picture taken in Mexico by Pathe.

"She is a Pippin."

A Biograph farce comedy.

"Jim's Birthday Party."

Another Biograph farce comedy. Four excellent picture subjects today, and an extra fine Vaudeville. Come and have a good time for an hour and a half.

Matinee daily at 3:45. First Show at night starts at 7:30, second at 9:00 o'clock. You can always get a desirable seat by observing the hours.

MANY ENROLL FOR LAYMEN'S MEETING

Canvassers Meet According to Previous Arrangement and Do Good Work.

ABOUT 150 MEN ARE ENROLLED

Considering That Convention Is Yet a Week Off, Enrollment Is Well Advanced.

About one hundred and fifty men were enrolled as delegates to the Laymen's Convention to be held on Thursday and Friday of next week as a result of the whirlwind canvass made by some of the members of the general committee of arrangements yesterday afternoon from three to five o'clock. In addition to those who agreed to become delegates and thus get the advantages of the convention there were forty or fifty more who asked the canvassers to call again and who will in all probability decide to become delegates when the matter is again presented to them.

The work of canvassing the city was not completed yesterday. In fact some of the canvassers did not get more than half over the territory assigned them. The canvass will be resumed today and another good report is looked for tonight.

Secretary Fadgett of the State committee was well pleased with the results of yesterday's canvass. He has directed the arrangements for a number of conventions and says that the number of delegates secured here a week ahead of the time for the convention to open is greater than at a corresponding time at any other convention the arrangements for which he has directed.

Some of the committeemen who were appointed at Monday night's meeting to canvass for the enrollment of delegates failed to appear yesterday afternoon, kept away it is believed by engagements that could not be postponed. Secretary Fadgett urges that these report at headquarters today and be assigned territory. Some of the canvassers too were out of the city yesterday and they are also asked to get busy today and help to swell the roll of delegates.

Tonight "A Fisherman's Luck," Elks Charity Fund, 50c.

MAIL BOXES TO BE PAINTED RED

ALSO ALL OTHER POSTOFFICE DEPARTMENT PROPERTY HITCHCOCK'S ORDER

Washington, Jan. 29.—Postmaster-General Hitchcock has issued orders to employees of the Post-Office Department to paint everything red. Wine colors and pale, sickly reds will not do. R-E-D is the word. Every delivery wagon, city, parcel post and rural free delivery vehicle must be red.

All mail boxes throughout the United States must be red.

To try out the new color Mr. Hitchcock ordered some of the Washington city wagons painted. The wagons, wine colored, were taken to the Post-Office Building for his inspection.

"Take them back and make them red RED, without any sort of blend," said the Postmaster-General.

And red they are.

The only protests came from the rural carriers, who say that in their red wagons they will be chased by all the bulls and turkey gobblers, to say nothing of the dogs along their route.

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HOLDING THE WET GOODS
The local police still have in their custody the case of twelve quarts of whiskey consigned to one Silas Green which they seized several days ago as it was being transported through the streets of the city. The owner of the wet goods has been given an opportunity of calling at the City Hall and claiming the same and unless he makes his appearance during the next day or two it will be useless for him to apply as the contents of the package will be destroyed.

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BROWNING POEMS THEME FOR CLUB

SEVERAL OF HIS BRIEFER PRODUCTIONS ARE CHARMINGLY READ

The Canterbury Club was delightfully entertained by Miss Bessie Sumner Tuesday evening at her home on Johnson street. Ferns and cut flowers attractively adorned the rooms.

A profitable and interesting literary program was presented. Mrs. Nixon beautifully read from Browning's "Message to his Times."

Mrs. Thomas Roberts charmingly read and interpreted "Evelyn Hope." "The Bishop Orders his Tomb," was impressively rendered by Mrs. Frances Duffy, while Mrs. Thomas Uzzell delighted all with "Incidents of the French Camp."

At the close of the evening Miss Sumner served a tempting ice course. Those present were Mesdames Thos. Roberts, Robert Nixon, Monroe Howell, Francis Stringer Duffy, John Broadfoot, of Fayetteville, Thomas Uzzell, Charles Ives, J. B. Hurley, Charles Hollister, William Blades, Charles Duffy, John Dunn, Kate Spencer, Misses Sadie Hollister, May Hendren, Mabel Chadwick, Mary Oliver and Mamie Hunter Richardson.

The Music Department of the Woman's Club will meet this afternoon at 4 o'clock at the F. Griffin Auditorium. A full attendance of the members is urged.

GRANT'S CREEK NEWS

Public School Doing Well—Basket Party a Complete Success.

(Special to the Journal)
Grants' Creek, Onslow county, Jan. 29.—The public school at this place is progressing nicely under the management of Miss Nancy J. Morris, who has taught school here for the past three years. All the pupils like her splendidly and seem to take great pride in everything she is doing for them.

The basket party given at the school last Friday night was a complete success in every way. A large number of the young people of this section were in attendance and the evening was greatly enjoyed. Miss Aurelia Morris was awarded the cake for being voted the prettiest girl in attendance. E. B. Marshall captured the prize given to the most homely man.

Rev. Avery filled his regular appointment here last Sunday and had a large audience to hear his discourse.

B. T. Jones and Garlin Loyd made a business trip to Jacksonville last Monday.

E. B. Marshall spent Saturday at Maysville.

Joseph Collins of Jones county attended the basket party at this place last Friday night.

John H. Marshall of Bear Creek spent Friday night with W. D. Jones at this place.

A. D. Barber is having a commodious dwelling erected at this place. He will occupy it when completed.

W. C. Conway spent Tuesday at Maysville.

Willie Morton of North East spent last Sunday with Samuel Barber.

SNOW HILL WILL OWN LIGHT PLANT

DECISION REACHED AT MASS MEETING HELD LAST MONDAY NIGHT.

G. A. Jones, editor of the Snow Hill Square Deal, was among the visitors to the city yesterday. Mr. Jones says his town is to have an electric plant owned by the municipality. Last Monday night the citizens held a mass meeting at which the majority of the voters and property owners were present and voted the improvements with only two dissenting votes. The Legislature will be asked to make a provision for a bond election at an early date. The proposed plant will cost about ten thousand dollars. The town was made an offer some time ago by the Carolina Power Company to allow them to furnish electricity. This offer, however, met with little favor and was rejected.

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WAGON IS BACKED INTO STREET CAR

MULE BECAME UNMANAGEABLE ENDANGERING THE LIFE OF OWNER

An accident which would doubtless have resulted seriously but for the presence of mind and prompt action of Motorman T. P. Hassel, occurred near the corner of Union and Craven streets yesterday morning when a refractory mule being driven by W. N. Stillely, a white man who is in the employ of the county, became frightened and backed the wagon to which he was hitched into car No. 4 of the New Bern-Chent Street Railway Company.

At the time of the accident the car was running at a low rate of speed, as required of the motormen when nearing corners and Mr. Hassel immediately put on the brakes and brought it to a full stop. The animal after backing in to the car, began rearing and kicking and in some way rolled the wagon over Mr. Stillely who had been thrown to the pavement. Mr. Stillely, however, held to the reins and with the assistance of several men who were near the scene at the time, succeeded in quieting the mule. In passing over Mr. Stillely the wagon had inflicted a number of bruises and he was taken to a physician's office for treatment. An examination showed that he was not badly hurt and a short time later he was sent home.

The accident was witnessed by a number of persons and many of these thought Mr. Stillely had been thrown beneath the car. Fortunately such was not the case.

MRS. THOMAS HOSTESS

Entertains Bridge Club at Her Home on East Front Street.

Mrs. Charles Thomas was the charming hostess to the Auction Bridge Club yesterday afternoon at her home on East Front Street.

The rooms were redolent with the fragrance of hyacinths, jonquils and violets, gift flowers which filled handsome vases and lovely baskets.

After a spirited game of auction bridge a delicious and refreshing ice course with glaze chestnuts, was served.

Those enjoying the pleasures of the afternoon were Mrs. Robert Nixon, Mrs. Owen Guion Mrs. Francis Stringer Duffy, Mrs. John Dunn, Mrs. Charles Duffy, Mrs. Cecil Gabbett, Mrs. John Dunn and guest Mrs. Mrs. LeRoy Strickler of Baltimore, Mrs. Charles Emmert, Mrs. Robert DuVal Jones, Mrs. John Broadfoot of Fayetteville, Mrs. Margaret Nelson, Misses Margaret Shepard, Janet Hollister, Mary Oliver, Laura Hughes, and Mollie Heath.

REPEAT "FISHERMAN'S LUCK" TO-NIGHT

Tonight at the Masonic theatre the Paint and Powder Club will present "A Fisherman's Luck." This play was presented several days ago and those who attended the performance were greatly pleased. The cast is composed entirely of local people who handle their parts superbly. The curtain will rise at 8:45 o'clock and the audience is requested to be in their seats by that hour.

WORKING ON THE CASINO AT GHENT

CONTRACTORS SAY IT WILL BE READY FOR OPENING BY MAY 1.

Several days ago the laying of foundations for the casino to be erected at Ghent Park was begun and since that time a large force of workmen have been engaged in the work of constructing this building. Monday morning another force of men began the work of extending the street car line to the park. This work will consume several days but will be rushed to completion on account of the fact that much of the material can then be carried to the site over this line. The contractors who have the erection of the casino in charge, say that it will be in readiness to be opened to the public on May 1.

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SOLVES THE HIGH COST OF LIVING

Scarcity of Labor Secret of Trouble Journal Correspondent at Thurman Surmises.

GOOD MEN VERY HARD TO GET

County Commissioners Get Gentle Rap In Connection With Central Highway Work.

(Special to the Journal)
Thurman, Jan. 29.—The weather for the past month has been fine for crop work and the farmers in this section have taken advantage of it by preparing their land for next season's crop.

Hog cholera seems to be prevalent in this section but we hope to exterminate the disease in time to raise porkers for next winter.

The cotton crop was very short in this section. Last year's crop was not more than one-third of the yield compared to 1911.

Farm labor is scarce and the farmers cannot get good men at any price as they can get more for their labor in the timber industry. If labor is as hard to secure in all farming sections as it is in this section there is no need for further investigation as to the high cost of living.

The County Commissioners seem to have forgotten and forsaken the Great Central Highway in this part of the county. They had the convicts in No. 4 Township four weeks last Fall and made nearly four hundred yards of passable road. It seems that they became discouraged with road building in this section and stopped operations. This road is a very important thoroughfare and the work it is hoped, will be resumed and completed.

John H. Smith and T. C. Andrews have moved from this place to Riverdale. E. H. Conner of Riverdale has moved to Thurman and will make this his home in the future.

Rev. F. C. Fulcher, pastor of the Methodist church at Riverdale, filled his regular appointment last Sunday and was greeted by a large congregation.

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MADE SHORTAGE OF TELLER GOOD

FIVE AND TEN CENT STORE MAN COMES UP WITH EIGHTY THOUSAND DOLLARS

New York, Jan. 29.—Frank W. Woolworth, head of a chain of five and ten cent stores and owner of the Woolworth Building, the tallest office building in the world, after he succeeded Bird S. Coler as President of the Guardian Trust Company gave \$80,000 to that institution to make good a shortage discovered in the accounts of a letter in December, 1905.

That Mr. Woolworth gave this check for this amount to prevent publicity on January 2, 1906, and afterward received about \$40,000 from other directors in repayment was disclosed when Charles E. Levy, who is suing the trust company for \$1,499,000, the balance due him on the refunding of his contribution filed a bill of particulars ordered by Supreme Court Justice Page recently.

Mr. Levy says Mr. Woolworth announced that a State Bank Examiner discovered a shortage of about \$80,000 and that unless that amount were placed at once to the credit of the corporation the fact of the defalcation would be made public.

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RARE TREAT PROMISED

Music lovers are promised a rare treat in the concert to be given at the Parish House of Christ Episcopal Church, tomorrow night. This concert will be under the auspices of Christ Church Parish Guild and the proceeds will be devoted to the society. A number of well known artists will participate in the event and the evening will be one of real enjoyment. Tickets are being sold at fifty cents each.

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NEW SHOE STORE OPENS ITS DOORS

"Selz Royal Blue" Establishment Begins Business in Mitchell Building.

NEW STOCK IN NEW STORE

F. E. Brooks and Archie Bilbro, Both Men of Experience, Are In Charge.

Tue "Selz Royal Blue" shoe store, located in the Mitchell building, No. 128 Middle street, was formally opened to the public yesterday and hundreds of visitors called during the day to inspect the elegant line of Selz shoes.

The store is said by many to be one of the handsomest shoe parlors in this section of the State and is comparable to the large stores in the northern cities. The interior is finished in attractive Flemish mahogany and there are many conveniently arranged cases in which the shoes are displayed. Handsome and comfortable chairs bearing the name "Selz" are located at different points in the store for the patrons. In the rear of the main part of the building is a bootblack parlor and the public is



extended an invitation to have their shoes polished at any time free of cost.

The window display shows some of the handsomest and noblest shoes ever placed on sale in New Bern. On the sole of each is the name "Selz," declared by the manufacturers to be a positive guarantee to the purchaser. It is asserted by the Selz people that no manufacturer in the country attempts to give such a guarantee as they do. The reason of this, it is stated, is that the Selz Company has been manufacturing shoes so long and has reduced the industry to such a state of perfection that it has no hesitation in promising absolute wear and service for its goods.

In the rear of the main display room is the stock room where the shipments are received and opened. The store is heated by steam and the heating plant is located in the rear of the building.

Mr. E. E. Brooks, formerly of Greenville, is the manager of the new store and associated with him is Archie Bilbro. Both gentlemen are thoroughly familiar with the shoe business and are prepared to give the people of this city the benefit of their long experience in this line.

With the rush of the first day these gentlemen are very highly pleased and the outlook for business is very promising. Yesterday useful and attractive souvenirs were given to every visitor. Those who did not get opportunity to visit the store yesterday are invited to come today.

IMPROVEMENTS TO RESIDENCE
J. J. Fakter is having a number of improvements made at his residence, No. 182 Middle street. A concrete walk is being laid from the sidewalk to the building and around the yard an abutment of grey concrete brick is being placed. The pillars and lattice work beneath the front of the house are also being constructed of this same variety of brick. The work is being done by E. E. Harper.

NEW ADVERTISEMENTS

A. Caster—Meat.
New Bern Banking and Trust Co.—The early dollar.
National Bank of New Bern—We have the facilities to handle your business acceptably.

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