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\$1.00 A YEAR IN ADVANCE

MEGIE GIVES TO FIRST BAPTIST CHURCH

WILL HELP BUY A \$2,500 PIPE ORGAN

Amount of His Donation is \$1,250
Provided the Church Members Raise
Equal Amount—Subscriptions
Being Made Rapidly—Finishing
Touches Are Being Added to the
Church.

has just been made public
Mr. Andrew Carnegie has
agreed to give \$1,250 to the
First Baptist church of this place
an equal amount will be raised
by the congregation. Several
men have guaranteed that
amount will be subscribed
and steps will be taken
immediately toward the purchase
of a \$2,500 pipe organ to be
installed in the new church
building which is receiving the
finishing touches and which cost
in the neighborhood of \$40,000.
A committee in charge of the
construction of the church has
been in communication with Mr.
Carnegie for some time but only
recently got a reply to their in-
quiries. After Mr. Carnegie dis-
covered that the cause was a
worthy one, application blanks
were forwarded to the committee
and were filled out and returned.
The request was considered
favorably by the gentleman in
charge of the donations of this
kind and news has just been re-
ceived that Mr. Carnegie will
contribute the \$1,250. His generous
gift is deeply appreciated by the
church and subscriptions to make
up the other \$1,250 are being
made liberally. Rev. C. A. Jones
is pastor.

finishing touches are being
added to the church and it is
expected that it will be ready for
May 15. Recently the art
windows arrived and they
indeed handsome designs.
An expert decorator has been
engaged to decorate the interior
of the church. The carpet and seats have
been ordered and as soon as they
arrive they will be put
in. Elaborate dedication ser-
vices will be arranged later.

MR. KELLER DEAD

Prominent Young Man Died At Kings Mountain—Odd Fellows Offer Services.

Mr. William Keller, a promi-
nent young man of Kings Moun-
tain, died at his home there this
morning as a result of cancer of the
throat. He was single and 28 years
of age. Mr. Keller was one of
the most prominent young men
of that city, being an active
arch worker and all round
hearted gentleman. He
was a member of the Odd Fellows
of No. 193 and Red Men and
of K. Kendall and Mr. W. J.
Kendall went down from Shelby to
attend the funeral. Mr. Kendall
is in charge of the ceremony.
District supervisor of the Odd
Fellows. As an evidence of the
young man's popularity, a great
crowd attended the funeral which
was conducted by the pastor of
the Baptist church of which he
was a member.

Engagement Announced

An announcement of unusual
interest to Shelby people took
place in Charlotte this week when
Charles Kluppelberg an-
nounced the engagement of his
daughter, Miss Bertha to Mr.
Thomas Williams Kendrick, the
young man taking place there
last evening, April 18. Mr.
Kendrick is originally from
Shelby and is a prominent busi-
ness man in Charlotte, being a
member of the firm of S. L.
Alexander & Co.

HOW THE LANDLORD TREATS HIS RENTERS

ANSWERS TO CHARGE AGAINST TENANT SYSTEM.

Don't Throw a Tenant Off Your Land to Become a Hired Hand. Because Your Land Goes Down is Because You Are Oppressive in Rents and Constantly Change Your Renters.

(J. D. Morris, Fallston.)

It has been urged by many
writers that the present tenant
system is unprofitable, and have
also advised the land owners to
make the tenant a hired hand,
or in other words not rent him
any land, thus forcing him to
become a hired laborer. Now
do you think this is reasonable
and just? Because there are
some very incompetent and un-
worthy men who butcher up a
man's land, shall you oppress
every man who has no land of
his own, who must look to the
farm for his living? You will be
free in your arguments of free
moral agency, to let every tub
stand on its own bottom, then let
the incompetent work under the
master's direction as a hired la-
borer until he is competent of
directing a little farm of his
own. So in like manner let him
who has done well, who has
proved himself competent, not be
submerged in the water because
the other fellow could not swim,
but grant unto him the rights
and privileges of a good citizen
and farmer, because they justly
belong to him as an individual,
and will stimulate him to higher
aspiration on the farm and will
be an incentive to raise the
standard of those less fortunate.

Now sir, you complain that
the renter has been an idle dole-
ful and even careless and no
good for nothing fellow because
the land you rented to him has
gone down. He has not made
terraces, put in possibly a half
or a mile of tile to drain that
swamp, the old rail fence has
rotted, and gone down and he
has not made any rails to repair
it, and the house has gone down
before your own eyes for years,
years and years, and you have
not complained until now. You
have been long suffering and
have borne it just as long as you
could stand it, haven't you?
But unlike the patient Job you
must complain. Let's stop a mo-
ment and try to locate the
trouble. Why did you allow the
Devil to run riot on your land so
long? You saw the place several
times a year. You were
prompt to call for your rent and
you got it. Will this help you to
solve the problem?

You remember six years ago,
"Tim Pinigan" came to rent and
you sounded your conscience to
the bottom, and said you could
have the place for one thousand
pounds of lint cotton, and added
"Tim," I am really anxious to
get you on that farm, been
hoping since I heard of you to
get you on that place and will
give you a good chance. "Tim"
comes, is a good tenant, makes
a good crop, pays your rent, has
a bit left for himself. About this
time "Ike Snickleson" comes
along and says, I'll give you
twelve hundred pounds lint cot-
ton for that place where
"Tim's" on. Bells begin to ring
in your ears, you put conscience
in a new made casket and bury
him and say, yes, you can have
the place next year. You run
"Tim" off, put "Ike" on. Thus
for a pittance more rent, year
after year, put one off and put

SAIN SHOTS SAIN

Plato Sain is Shot by Luther Sain at Carpenter's Knob—A Shot Gun Used—Debating Society at St. Peter's Church—Other Items from No. 10.

April 4.—The farmers of this
section are very busy now pre-
paring for a big crop and corn
planting will soon be in order of
the day.

The fruit is nearly all killed
out the outlook for the berry
crop, our old stand by, is good
and there is no fear of a famine.
Plato Sain, son of Joseph
Sain, was shot and seriously in-
jured by Luther Sain late Sun-
day evening at the latter's home
near Carpenter's Knob. Full
particulars cannot be learned but
all parties were drinking heavily.
From particulars learned it
seems that Plato Sain and Wins-
low Mauney were passing and
Luther Sain ordered them off his
premises and for some reason
emptied the contents of his shot-
gun into Plato Sain's back and
side. He is in a serious condi-
tion, some sixty or more shot
having taken effect.

The young men of the commu-
nity have organized a debating
society at St. Peter's school
house. Much interest has been
manifested and large crowds
are attending every debate.

Mr. J. C. Mull, the efficient
keeper of the county home visit-
ed in our midst Saturday and
Sunday.

Mr. J. L. Smith of Shelby visit-
ed his old home last week.

Rev. W. M. Gold filled his re-
gular monthly appointment at
Carpenter's Grove Sunday. The
Sunday School will be organized
this coming Sunday.

Mr. L. Z. Huffman, our newly
elected squire, wishes to an-
nounce to the young people that
he is ready and willing to per-
form that marriage ceremony.

Easter Service.

Mr. J. T. Porter asks us to
announce that there will be
preaching at Buffalo Baptist
church at Stubbs on Easter Sun-
day, April 16, at 11 o'clock by
Rev. T. G. Porter. His subject
is on the suffering and death of
the Son of God. Everybody is
invited to hear this fine sermon
Easter Sunday.

another on, till as we have stated
before, the farm is in such a di-
lapidated condition the poorest
negro refuses to rent it.

Mr. Land owner you and your
land both are left in the condi-
tion you justly deserve. You
have exacted usury off of the
poor tenants, and run a good one
off for a sorry one, and run off a
sorry one for one worse, and ex-
acted such rents that you made
sorry tenants of them all. Now,
in your delirium you cry down
the present system of renting.
Sir, it is not so much the system
of renting as it is the system of
exacting.

You have made bad renters of
them, then you say they are un-
worthy, hire them out, let them
be hired laborers. Better col-
onize them, hadn't you? They
failed and you are as much to
blame for their failure as they
are. The fruit of the land, the
products of the field, are the re-
sults of the laborer. Be reason-
able with the tenants, so when
your rent is paid if he has been
faithful to duty he has a bit to
tide him over the hard winter
months. Don't expect him to
fill his wife's apron with rocks
and tie some to his shirt tail to
keep them on mother earth
through March, and then expect
them to roll in a big rent next fall
again.

TOM JOHNSON DEAD

Former Mayor of Cleveland, Ohio and Twice Congressman Passes Away at the Age of 57.

Tom L. Johnson, twice Con-
gressman from the 21st Ohio dis-
trict and four times mayor of
Cleveland, champion of three-
cent street railway fare and pro-
minent advocate of the single
tax theories of the late Henry
George, died Tuesday night at
the age of 57. Johnson once re-
ferred to himself in a public ad-
dress as a "stormy petrel" and
this metaphor aptly described
him and indicated the course of
his career. He was one of those
men who had an humble begin-
ning, starting in the Louisville
street railway office at the age of
15. All through his life he was
in a storm center of politics and
finance and it was thus he en-
joyed himself best. He entered in-
to the steel manufacturing busi-
ness and later became mayor of
Cleveland on a platform prom-
ising three cent car fare. He failed
to secure the reduction in fare
but two months after he retired,
his successor established the fare
as a result of his efforts.

He was nominated for govern-
or of Ohio by the Democrats
but was unsuccessful.

DRAWING FOR WEBB

Citizens Anxious to Entertain Con- gressman Webb Who Will Speak at Gastonia on Memorial Day.

Washington Dispatch April 11:
In a letter which Representative
Webb received to day from the
chairman of the committee
which has charge of the cere-
monies in connection with the
Confederate Memorial Day ex-
ercises at Gastonia. Mr. Webb
was reminded of a promise to de-
liver an address at Gastonia on
May 10. Mr. Webb promised the
committee the early party of
December that he would be glad
to make the speech, not knowing
that there would be an extra ses-
sion of Congress. However, Mr.
Webb will be on hand to deliver
the principal address.

"You are so popular down
here," the letter read, "that we
will have to draw straws to see
who shall have the pleasure of
entertaining you while you are in
our town."

FOUND IN WOODS

Deranged Negro Kills His Mule Be- cause it Won't Work Then Strayed Away.

Concealed under the bark of a
tree in the remote sections of the
woods, Sam Palmer, an aged col-
ored man was taken into custody
Tuesday on the plantation of Mr.
Charlie Cabiness five miles from
town. Palmer is thought to be
mentally unbalanced. A tele-
phone message from his home at
McCosboro says that he became
enraged Monday while trying to
drive a kicking mule. He took
the mule back to his home tied it
to a tree in the yard and killed
it with an axe. After this he
wandered away and was not
found until when he was seen in
the woods. Sheriff Wilkins is
making application to get him
admitted to the hospital for the
insane at Greenville.

Drainage Meet.

There will be a meeting of the
landowners who are interested
in the drainage of Buffalo and
its tributaries in the court house
Saturday morning at 11 o'clock.
This is an important meeting as
the committee appointed at the
last meeting to investigate the ad-
visability of forming a drainage
district along Buffalo will report
at this meeting. Everybody in-
terested is invited and urged to
be present.

CONDENSED NEWS OF THE CAROLINAS

NORTH AND SOUTH CAROLINA NEWS IN BRIEF

Happenings in The Two States Boiled Down in Brief Paragraphs For Busy Readers of The Star—The Most Im- portant Things of the Week Summed Up.

The First Presbyterian church
of Charlotte has called Rev. Dr.
J. A. Vance, of Chicago, to the
pastorate. Dr. Vance is a native
of Tennessee.

R. M. Jarvis, formerly a de-
puty sheriff in Buncombe county,
died suddenly Friday morning
while eating breakfast at his
home in Asheville.

Gov. Kitchin has offered \$100
reward for the unknown murder-
er of Ella Gaddy, colored, whose
dead body was found in a trunk
at Hamlet March 19th.

Earl Hoover, the 13-year-old
son of Briles Hoover, living 7
miles from Asheville was ac-
cidentally shot last Thursday af-
ternoon by his brother, Hal
Hoover, dying in about an hour.

Chas. Murphy, who killed
John Simmons in Yancy county
last December, was convicted of
first degree murder in Yancy
county Superior Court last week
and sentenced to die June 30.

Mr. William Howell, known as
"War Bill" Howell because he
had served in the Mexican and
Indian wars, died in Wayne county
a few days ago at the alleged
authenticated age of 105. He
was active in farm work up to a
recent illness.

Hickory Democrat: J. W. Ben-
field, who has a wife and two
children living here, has been
arrested at Lemon City, Fla.,
pending trial on the charge of
bigamy. It is learned here that
he was married there some time
ago to a young woman of good
family—Miss Maud Lewis.

Elections have been ordered in
Craven and Robeson counties on
the question of establishing farm
life schools. As the counties in
which these schools are establish-
ed must give \$25,000 for build-
ings and \$2,500 annually for main-
tenance it is necessary to vote a
special tax for this purpose.

En route to her home in Union,
S. C. to make arrangements for
the burial of her husband, at
whose bedside she had remained
until death came at 7 o'clock Mon-
day, Mrs. M. Y. Dunlop died
suddenly as the train was near-
ing the destination. Both hus-
band and wife passed within two
hours.

The commission form of govern-
ment was defeated at Winston-
Salem Monday by a majority of
106, the total vote being cast
1,068.

Store Entered.

The dry goods store of Wray-
Nix Company was entered by a
burglar sometime Sunday night
by breaking a glass in the base-
ment window. About \$45 was
taken from the cash drawer and
an unknown quantity of clothing
from the counter. Mr. Nix had
left some money and statements
rolled in the cash drawer. Mr.
Wray put other money in the
safe and not knowing what the
roll was, left in the drawer.
When Mr. Nix looked for his
roll and statements to finish col-
lecting, he missed the money. A
pair of pants was dragged near
the window where the thief went
out. There is no clue.

We read that opinions are di-
vided on the harem skirt. Yes,
bifurcated.

GENERAL NEWS OF WORLD BOILED DOWN

IMPORTANT HAPPENINGS CONDENSED FOR BUSY READERS

General News of the Entire Country Boiled Down in Brief Paragraphs For Busy Readers—Most Important Events of the Entire Country Sum- marized From Great Daily Papers And Served Fresh to Star Readers.

A hail and wind storm in the
extreme southwest section of
Texas, last week, destroyed much
property and among the damage
it is reported that 300 goats were
killed by hail in one locality.

Considerable damage is report-
ed from Livonia, Ga., as a result
of a hail and wind storm which
swept that section Sunday.

Craig Lippincott, head of the
publishing house of J. B. Lippin-
cott Company, and prominent in
the financial and social life of
Philadelphia, committed suicide
last week by shooting himself.

The Georgia prison commis-
sion has recommended to Governor
Brown that he grant an uncon-
ditional pardon to Thomas Edgar
Stripling, the former police chief
of Danville, Va., who killed a
man in that State 14 years ago
and escaped while being taken
to the penitentiary. His fate now
rests with the Governor.

Thirteen women will hold im-
portant municipal offices in Colo-
rado as the result of last Tues-
day's elections. Pueblo, the
State's second largest city, elect-
ed a woman auditor and Lead-
ville, Telluride, Idaho Springs,
Greely and Montrose elected
women treasurers, as did the
small towns of Fair Play and
Ridgeway. There are four women
members of the Colorado legis-
lature and one of the commis-
sioners of the county of Denver is
a woman.

At Fort Worth, Texas, last
week, Mrs. T. M. Brooks was ac-
quitted of the murder of Mrs.
Mary Binford January 16 last,
acquittal being on the ground of
insanity. Mrs. Brooks who is
the wife of a well known local
attorney, during the rush hours
of shopping went to a large de-
partment store, where Mrs. Bin-
ford was employed, and deliber-
ately shot the woman to death,
firing a number of bullets into
her victim's body while the latter
struggled to get away. The kill-
ing was cold-blooded murder.

Three negroes were lynched at
Ellaville, Ga., early Saturday
morning. They were in jail await-
ing a preliminary hearing on the
charge of murdering a white
man. At Lawrenceville, Ga.,
Friday night a negro charged
with criminally assaulting a white
woman was taken from jail and
lynched.

Kendall's Opening

The formal opening of Mr.
Henry E. Kendall's handsome
new soda fountain to the public
was a delightful affair.
The store was decorated
with ferns and flowers,
the clerks, Messrs. Carl Carpen-
ter and Ben Roberts were dress-
ed in immaculate white coats,
four young ladies, Misses Mar-
garet McMurry, May Kendall,
Mabel Quinn and Bertie Lee Sut-
tle served and a colored orches-
tra furnished music. Several
hundred guests were served the
well-known Brannon-Hahn cream
made in Charlotte while souven-
irs in the form of pretty pin trays
were given to the ladies. The
occasion was delightful in every
way and presages a big patron-
age of the new fountain this
season.