# APPY AND BRIEF PRES. FINLEY TO FARMERS

Gathered and Told While ou Hold Your Breath.

# EVERY DAY HAPPENINGS

Lively and Crisp as They Are Garnered From the Fields of Action at Home and Abroad.

An unauthentic but credible report An unauthentic but credible report from Nicaragna is that two Ameri-cans, Lonis Groce, and Leroy Can-non having been explured among the insurrection forces were summar shot by Odor 62 President Sela Practice. Taft is greatly shocked

ed an investigation. 1 bodies of victims have been

in the Illinois mine and five been brought to the surface.

Two persons were killed and three injured in a S. A. L. wreck Thursday near Denmark, S. C.

Collector Loeb at New York, sumnarily dismissed six officers in the ustom house, who were implicated the sugar frauds and is proceedyeg to clean house.

Ochopedology, or the science of rendering a mechanical abnormal body mechanically normal, will cure 100 per cent. of all coses of tuberculosis of the lungs in its first and secondary stages, according to Dr. Banning, professor of surgery at Hering College, Chicago, 80 per cent in the third stage, and 20 per cent in the last stage.

Lee McMichael, night watchman at the Americus, Ga., construction company's shops was attacked by an unknown person Wednesday night, his lantern being knocked over. A fire ensued that did a \$50,000 damage.

Charles R. Warriner, the defaulting treasurer of the Big Four railroad has been arrested and jailed. Mrs. Jeanett Ford, his asserted blackmailer, is occupying a room in the same jail.

The sugar fraud exposure in the custom house at New York is said to involve 17 per cent of the employes. The combination of the Western Union Telegraph company with the Bell company it is believed will run a rarrow escape of dissolution as a violation of the anti-trust law.

Mme. Steinleil's troubles are not all over for an American newspaper man is suing her for charging him with the murder for which she was tried.

Ruth Butler, 4 years old, of Charlotte, Mich., some time ago pushed a baby sister off the bed and it strangled to death. On last Tuesday she saw her mother use chloroform for toothache. She got hold of the bottle and playfully administered the chloroform to her 15-day-old sister with fatal effect.

Eastern Kansas had a series of deluging rains early last week that put the streams higher than was ever known for the season and drove citizens to the higher lands.

The Atlantic Coast Line railroad company has authorized a bond issue of \$200,000,000.

President Finley of the Southern Railway was an honored guest of Salisbury, N. C., Wednesday and made address more especially to the farmers.

The new Armony at Georgetown, S. C., was formally dedicated on the 17th, with parade and appropriate ceremony.

Earl Bullock, an all-round bad young fellow and William McKay. 15 years old, whom he lured, robbed

Sees a Great Future For the Farmer and Pleads Against an Unfriendly Attitude and Unjust Verdicts Against Railroads-The Railroads, the Farmer, Manufacturer and Miner Need to Stand Shoulder to Shoulder.

Salisbury, N. C., Special .- In an ddress at a meeting of farmers in Salisbury on November 17 President

Salisbury on November 17 President Finley, of the Southern Railway Com-pany, took a very optimistic ride of the future of agricultareon ern States. He began back "No one can look formation future with greater confidence and the farmer, and a not optimion there is no area of equal astent in the world where the agricultared out-look is befter than in our Southern States." States."

He directed attention to the dependence of all the peoples of the earth upon the farmer for food and clothing, tracing the causes of periods of low prices for farm products in the Nineteenth Century in large measure to the opening up of extensive areas to agriculture and expressing the belief that such relatively rapid increas es in the supply of farm products in the future were not probable. Showing by comparative statistics the rate at which the demand for cotton goods is increasing, he expressed the belief that "we may look forward to a time in the not distant future when the world will call on the American cotton planters for 20,000,000 bales annually," while, at the same time, there would be an increased demand at home and abroad, for cotton seed products. Yet he did not counsel the growing of cotton to the neglect of other crops, but advised that the incerased production needed to keep pace with the demand of the world should be secured by more intensive cultivation and by the growing of other crops with cotton.

Speaking from the viewpoint of ouc in touch with the relations of supply and demand affecting different commodities in the United States and in foreign countries, Mr. Finley, with a view to making suggestions of practical value, emphasized the opportunities in the South for the production of grains, hay, fruits, vegetables, livestock, poultry and dairy products, giving special attention to the market opportunities for Suothern grown cabbages, Irish potatoes, and sweet potatoes. He showed that farmers in some localities in the South were shipping these products both to Northern and Southern markets and were finding the business so profitable as

warrant increased production. Referring to the dependence of agricultaral prosperity on supply and domand, he pointed out that the condition most favorable to the farmer is one in which wide-spread prosperity prevails in our own and other lands," and that ability to reach a market was equally as important as the existence of the market. The farmer, therefore, had a vital interest in the highways from his farm yard to the markets of the world. After referring to the importance of good country highways, Mr. Finley pointed out that the interest of the farmer in good roads extended beyond the wagon road from his farm to an industrial or shipping center, and embraced all the railways and waterways over which his products moved to reach the final consumer. Pointing out that adequate transportation facilities were essential to increased production and that the present railway facilities of the South were now little more than sufficient for meeting present demands, and were relatively less than those of some other

as those which influence and other people.

"In the first place, he would himself whether the proposed invest ment is safe, and

'Second, whether it would bring in as large a return as any other investment that might be open to him as an alternative.

"If he could answer both of these

hot rely upon as good a rethe prudent man would not

enture to make it. "It is apparent, therefore, that those communities which want their transportation to be gradually improved and perfected, must find some means of convincing the investor that his investment in that community will be safe and that it will bring him as good returns as an investment in any other line fo business.

"This is also the thing in regard to which the railway manager, who needs funds to develop his system, is all the time trying to convince investors. To aid in this is equally the interest and the duty of the public which wants and needs increased and improved transportation facilities.

In order to make the investor believe that his investment is safe in any community, it is necessary to convince him that it is protected by a conservative and just public opinion. "He cannot feel satisfied if one measure of justice is, in that community, by juries in litigated cases, meted out to an individual litigant and a different and smaller measure of justice is meted out to the corporation in which it is sought to induce him to become an investor. It is, therefore, not only right, but it is wise, in any community, to insist through the medium of an enlightened unyielding public sentiment, that there shall be but one measure of justice for all litigants, and that railway companies and individual litigants shall be treated exactly alike-in other words, that there shall be equal justice to all, and no excessive or unjust verdicts against any.

"I feel, therefore, that I am making a plea, not only in behalf of the railway that I especially represent, but also in behalf of justice and the public welfare, when I ask that a public sentiment shall be created which will discourage the giving of verdicts excessive and oppressive against railroad companies.

"I do not believe that there are two opinions among candid and considerate men as to the injustice that is ap! to be visited upon corporation litigants by large verdicts.

"I have no doubt that frequently the jury itself is unconscious of the injustice of its action. It is difficult to avoid being influenced by a feeling of sympathy for an injured individual. It is also difficult to escape the feeling that a railway company is great, and powerful, and rich, and is entitled to no consideration. And vet railway companies are not great or powerful, for they have little opportunity of making friends. In this Southern country they are not rich, but are still struggling to equip themselves adequately for the public service ,and to keep pace with the wonderful commercial development of our people. They need money for their development and improvements which they cannot obtain from their current earnings, and which cannot be supplied to them by law, but must come from voluntary investors. To get it, they must give assurance of a constructive and helpful sentiment

eved by a recent eartoon, in which a man who had fallen from a street car was represented as arving: 'I feel all right, but I can't tell whether I'm hurt until I see a lawyer.'

Looking forward into the future. Mr. Finley expressed the belief that Southern agricultural and industrial development would continue. He did not view with alarm the tendency of "If he could answer both of these questions in the affirmative, he would not hesitate to make the investment. If, however, he should conclude either investment is unsale, or that is unsale, or the investment is unsale, or the investment is unsale. Investment, is unsale, or that is unsale, or that is unsale, or the investment is unsale, or the investment is unsale, or the investment is unsale. It is the investment is unsale, or that is unsale, or the investment is unsale or the investment is unsale. It is the investment is unsale or the investment i good work being done by the agricultural press of the South, he spoke of a series of articles on how to make \$500 more a year from the farm, and, showing that an average of \$500 more a year would add \$904,795,500 to the annual income of the farmers of the South, he said : "To the railway officials these fig-

ures suggest train-loads of cotton, of fruits and vegetables, of hogs and cattle, and of dairy products to be handled to market. They suggest carloads of agricultural implements and machinery, of pianos, of carriages and automobiles, and of other articles contributing to the comfort and convenience of the farmer and his family. Is it to be wondered that those responsible for the management of the railways of the South, seeing this agricultural advance going hand in hand with continued industrial development, should have faith in their territory and should be striving to the utmost to increase the carrying capacity of their lines so as to be able properly to handle the increase in traific which is sure to come?

"Looking forward into the future, Mr. Chairman, we see the farmer, the railway man, the miner, the manufacturer, and the merchant working together, shoulder to shoulder, and bringing to our Southern people constantly increasing prosperity and happiness, in which no one will share more fully than the Southern farm-

#### **Five Bodies Recovered.**

Cherry, Ill., Special .-- With the fire in the St. Paul mine greatly checked and five of the three hundred bodies of men who were killed by last Saturday's fire recovered, it is hoped that much progress towards cleaning the mine will be made from now on Charity has poured aid into the homes of suffering survivors but this could not subdue the grief of Cherry's inhabitants when the sight of the dead. lifted from the tomb, exploded their hopes of rescuing them alive.

### President Finley in Salisbury.

Salisbury, N. C., Special.-Wednesday was Finley day in Salisbury, Had the genial president of the Southern been the Chief Executive of the United States his welcome could not have been more cordial nor his entertainment more complete and satisfying. for in Salisbury's levicon hospitality embraces the men who do things. From the moment he arrived to the end of the banquet the city was his.

## Girl Burned to Death.

in trust prosecution, believes the gov-New York, Special .- The third seernment will be successful in the rious factory fire in New York within United States supreme court, but it two weeks occurred in Glenhill's wall established this principle that the govpaper plant on West Thirty-fourth ernment has been fighting for in all street late Tuesday. One girl emthe trust proceedings; that a combiploye, Annie O'Brien, burned to nation which exists by the means of death, and three firemen and a policea corporation owning the stock of man are suffering from burns receivothers is contrary to the Sherman law, ed in assisting the 175 employes to and that such stock ownership may be escape. The fire started from an exa device that constitutes a stock plosion of chemicals and spread so rapidly that many of the employes decision is held by the attorneys of had to jump from windows to save

## LANDSLI WASHINGTON NOTES

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Census Bureau in Washington.

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of the American Federation of Labor

to jail for contempt of the Supreme

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against the Standard Oil Company in

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Paul Saturday is a signal victory

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the Buck's Stove and Range case.

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#### season, the American steamship line carrying the mails to Southampton

of holiday gifts throughout a considerable portion of England by Christmas Day. The sailing of the steamship Philadelphia from New York for Southampton, scheduled for Christmas Day, has been advanced to December 24. These changes are agree-President Taft Wednesday settled the North Carolina census supervisorship, which had darkened the political moon around the White House for several days. Representative Morehead, of the Fifth North Carolina district, said he was the only Repubvery slightly. lican representative who had not been consulted about the appointment of a supervisor in his own district. He had recommended for appointment a friend and supporter named Joyce. The Director of the Census, however, had secuerd the appointment of Prof. J. R. Glasson, a college instructor.

few, by dint of terri aged to extricate the mass, and the f near by rushed to Mr. Morehead registered a vigorous But at once a seeq protest, and the appointment of Prothousands of cubic fessor Glasson was revoked and the place will go to Mr. Joyce. Professor above swept fae rese twinkling of an eve ilasson will be given a position in the seven victims hopele

It was nearly an first dead body we ed by the actions of the Zelayan govdeep was the mass ernment in executing the two Amerihad crumbled down cans and apparently is determined to The last body was make the lives of United States citio'clock. Each was zens much safer and considerably the earth had crush 1 more respected in Central America their bodies withou than they have been hitherto. Pend-Mise, the Norfol ing a satisfactory explanation of the only by the efforts of occurrence he has refused to recoghimself was killed nize Isidoro Hazera, the new Nicarabraced himself somew began to settle about his coat and crossing body was just abore The court of appeals of the Distween them there was trict of Columbia, upon request of

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friends in England may reach them with the beginning of the holiday SMOTHERED B One Escapes De of sailing of the St. Louis from New York from December 18 to December His Fellow W Own Life. Winston-Salen men were almost

one was seriousl day morning short by a landslide o the side of an ab structed for th across the Salem first section of th road. The dead. Lesso Friesland Carl Dortschmidt. Ebner, a German German; Alfred 1 The injured man Norfolk, Va., badl; recover. Three o The men were side of a great h picks and shovels ne low the top of the e tons of earth bro. the mainland and d

the bank at Eudora, Kan., Friday and severely wounded Fred Starr. the banker. Bullock fought desper-Starr. ately against capture and fired his Al probably die. McKay was capured.

Prof. Antonio Mantagna, a Roman scientist believes he has discovered a nethod by which to take photographs by telegram or telephone.

Sheriff Shipp, of Hamilton coun-. Tenn., along with five fellowuntymen were sentenced to terms an jail for contempt of the U.S. court. Charges against them grew out of the lynching of a negro in Chattanooga, and their failure to use their best efforts to prevent it.

By the arrest of thirteen Italians United States secret service men and the Italian squad of New York police think they have rounded up the lead ers of a band which has trafficked for at least a year in a large amount of counterfeit money made in Palermo, Italy, and circulated in Ameri-

The mail steamer La Seyne, of the Messageries Maritimes service, running between Java and Singapore. collided with the stranger Onda, of the British-India Line, and sank within two minutes.

Nearly 400 men and boys are believed to be dead as a result of a mine disaster at Cherry, Iil.

Inquiry is being pushed by the government into the so-called sugar fraud cases and the investigation may equal the insurance upheaval of 1005.

Ten or twelve men. Italians and egroes, were entombed by an embankment cave-in on the Southbound ailroad near Winston-Salem Tuesday.

Archer C. Christian, a football player on the University or Virginia am, died Sunday from injuries rereived in a game last week.

parts of the country, Mr. Finley

said: "It is manifestly to the interest of this section that the railways, as instrumentalities of transportation, should be built up and strengthened. Even a superficial glance at those sections which are most prosperous will demonstrate that their prosperity is largely based upon the perfection of their transportation facilities. Those producing communities which have the easiest, quickest and most reliable ways to market can sell quicker and more certainly, and thus possess commercial advantages over communities less favored with means of transportation.

"It is, therefore, short-sighted in any community to permit any other

section, by a larger, more stable, or more conservative policy, to stimulate and encourage, to a greater extent than it itself does, the development of transportation facilities. To the extent that any community permits this, it surrenders to its rival the commercial advantage which differentiates the growing and prosperous from the laggard and stagaant community.

"In view of these general considerations, which are universally accepted as sound by thoughtful men, it becomes important to inquire what the public in any locality can do to promote this important interest.

"The fundamental thing to accomplish is to make the investment in transportation facilities in that locality attractive to the honest investor. "I is in no way difficult to determine what will do this. All any sensible man has to do is to inquire of himself what would make an invsetment for his savings attractive to him, and he may rest assured that the considerations which would induce him to invest his savings are of the same general nature, and are based upon the same principles of human action,

ust treatment by juries and m the making of laws.

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"The fact that verdicts are in many instances most excessive, and that there is a growing tendency to make them more so, cannot fail to arrest the attention and to excite the alarm of thoughtful and patriotic men.

"It is the desire of the railway company entrusted to my management to settle promptly, and on a reasonable and just basis, all proper claims for personal injury, for the killing of live stock and for loss or damage of freight.

"We wish to settle just claims without putting the elaimants to the necessity of going into court, and it is our effort to do so. Where, however, it is believed that a claim is altogther unjust, or that the amount demanded is excessive, there is nothing for us to do but to permit it to take the course of litigation. We ought to be permitted to do so confident of receiving that measure of justice, and that measure only, which is meted out to an individual in his controverted cases.

"The fact that at present there is, in a degree, one measure of justice for the corporation and another for the individual is, I think, the result of a certain thoughtlessness on the part of the public. I am confident that the only thing necessary to correct it is to bring he fair-minded American people to a realization of the fact that justice is, and of right ought to be. the same, whether the issue be between two individuals or between an individual on the one side and a corporation on the other-the corporation being but an association of individuals, the property rights of each one of whom are as sacred as the property rights of any other American citizen.

"It is sometimes suggested that some of our friends of the legal pro fession are, in a measure, responsible for encouraging the filing of excessive claims. This was the idea con-

their lives.

## NEWSY GLEANINGS.

Only three bidders attended the auction sale of the Walt Whitman home.

A fast mail schedule between New York City and Los Angeles, Cal., was announced at Washington, D. C.

Miss Margarei Plington, formerly the wife of Daniel Frohman, was mar-ried to E. J. Bowes, of Tacoma.

Canada's winter social season was opened by a brilliant drawing room in the Sevate chamber at Ottawa.

A bomb burst close to Viceroy Minto's carriage as he and the Countess were driving in Ahmedabad, india.

A national movement has started to raise \$2,500,000 for a great memorial building to George Washington

Women and children were sent down the Skeena River in canoes to Prince Rupert, owing to the threaten-ing attitude of the Indians.

A granddaughter of Henry Ward Beecher, who was one of Mrs. Stet-son's pupils in Christian Science, said that Mrs. Steison's students were in-structed to regard her as Christ.

A member of the Czar's suite, at St. Petersburg, said that General Count Spiridovitch has no standing in the Russian Court, although he is a nobleman of Lithunian descent.

Members of the athletic association of the Greene Avenue Presbyterian Caurch, Brookiyn, N. Y., left the church because the pastor ordered them to discontinue the blackball system in passing on would-be members.

The United States Supreme Court. Washington, D. C., sentenced Sher iff Shipp, of Chattanooga, and two others, to ninety days, and three men to sixty days' imprisonment because of the lynching of a negro while his case was pending before the Court. It is the first time the Court ever punished contempt by imprisonment.

When a man wants a change of scene he might become a stage hand, suggests the Philadelphia Record.

the depar one of most potent supports the government will have in the case against the so-called tobacco trust, which comes up for argument on December 13, and it is considered to have an equally important bearing on the Union Pacific case, and, in fact, all other cases of a like nature now pending.

Miss Catharine Porter, of Lincoln,

Neb., the pretty-18-year-old schoolgirl who ran away from the Virginia Woman's College at Roanoke, Va., and was arrested in this city Thursday for passing a worthless check, is to remain at the House of Detention until her father, W. F. Porter, a prominent real estate dealer and former member of the Nebraska State Senate, can reach the city.

A wireless message, reached the United States revenue cutter service late Sunday stating that John Jacob Astor's yacht, the Nourmahal had been discovered riding in safety inside the harbor of San Juan, Porto Rico. Captain Worth G. Ross, in command o fthe service, was so satisfied with its gennineness that he sent a wircless dispatch to the revenue cutter Yamacraw, which was engaged in searching in West Indian waters for the missing yacht, to return at once. The Yamaeraw accordingly is nov on its way lack to Charleston, S. C.

Following a conference with the President at the White House Sunday on the Nicaraguan situation, Secretary of State Knex authorized the following statement: "If certain representations of fact which have been made to the State Department concerning the Groce and Cannon case are verified by inquiries that have been made, this government will at once prepare a demand on the Nicaraguan government for reparation for the dest's of these two men.'

rived Tuesday with assist supply of hose and chem? tinguishers. The seal over of the shaft was perfora was intended to force chemicals down through thermometer plunged into scattered on top of the se a temperature of 110 degr cating that the heat in the of the mine must have been "It's no use," said Chie "To lift the lid today wou that the whole mine would i and there would be no possil recovering even the bodies. deposits would take fire and ber supports would crumble. The only progress made was in organizing relief work many destitute remnants of fa

#### Pell Company Gets Control of ern Union.

Boston, Special .- A long strid ward the complete control by corporation of all wire communication in the United States was made T day in the acquisition by the Am can Telephone & Telegraph Co. the control of the Western Un Telegraph Company. In order make the absorption complete, the corporation of a new billion doll. company, it is said, will be necessar to include the \$592,475,400 of bone and stocks of the American Tele phone Company.

White Man Given a 20-Year Sentence.

Savannah, Ga., Special .- Twenty years in the penitentiary was the punishment meter out to James D. Decris Tuesday in Chatham superior court, for his attack and assault upon a 14-year-old white girl near the outskirts of the city several months ago, after he had lured her from her mother's charge by promise of finding work for her. The girl's story on the witness stand brought tears to the eyes of hearers,

" to Tet mail motion while