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warning to the people of the state and

reelection. Doubtless The Enquirer is

outcome: nevertheless, the people

seat which he has so manfully and

Few people of the state are really

amiliar with the work of the young

representative from Beaufort while

occupying the seat in the senate and

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call Miss Fassel a great beauty-do CHAPTER X. they not?" At the Cape.

"I never read that sort of twaddle." How was he to drive the miserable replied Hume, with grim disdain.

"They do. She is praised without affair from his memory. stint. Now, to me she has a frosty ef-Hume went home to his lodgings that night pondering this vexing ques- fect, like December moonlight-it chills tion, and there he found another letter a fellow to look at her. Still, some men go down, like ripe grain, before from Jack Harold, urging him anew that kind of women. There is always to try a week at Cape Desolation. The night was intensely hot. The a fascination about the unattainable." great city lay panting under a breath-Hume answered not a word. By and less sky. Life therein had become a by Jack put down his pipe.

burden. Hume closed his medical "Now that the aunt has cast you out books, put out his lamp, and went to of her favor, dear boy, who will have her money? Has she any more bed. "I'll go," he said, recklessly. "At nephews in the background?" "No; undoubtedly she will distribute

any cost, I'll get this wretched affair out of my head-otherwise it will end her fortune to public charities. Let us in a case of dementia. Since the air of get to bed, Jack-we have talked Cape Desolation can restore a man af- enough." ter an attack of typhoid, it may also Hume's room adjoined his friend's he cove. be able to minister to a mind diseased." Long after the two separated he heard The next day he locked the door of Jack moving about, singing at the top

his poor lodging room, and started for of his lungs various love songs, indicative of a disturbed state of mind. the cape. A lumbering old stage carried him There was one in particular which he from the railway terminus over a long, repeated again and again. Hume lis-

bleak, barren road, to the door of Ber- tened: ry's grocery. "'Escape me?

That ancient building still stood as Never-Beloved! on the night when it was first intro-While I am I, and you are you. duced to the reader's notice-its So long as the world contains u bothweather-worn front damp with the spray of the hungry sea, its interior the Me the loving, and you the loath, favorite gathering place of all the While the one eludes, must the other gossips on the cape.

"Poor fellow!" muttered Hume; "he As nume scrambled down from the has taken the disease in its worst camomile-the weather-worn porch, fish flakes and the boats the sea man in glasses disengaged himself from form." And then he composed himself and the long, sharp seine boats on the emerged, dark and turbulent, from the the group of sunburnt fishermen who on his pillow, and in the midst of the beach. were lounging around Berry's door, amorous clamor fell asleep,

CHAPTER XI.

An Accident.

and rushed upon the new arrival with a whoop of welcome. "So you have really come, old man!"

he cried. "I felt sure you would never "Halloo!" Through a wet blanket be able to resist my eloquent pleading. of fog. Hume's voice was blown back Why, bless me! how rattled, and gento his own ears in a depressing echo. erally used up, you look! Too much "Halloo vourself!" replied Jack Har-

midnight old. It is plain that I did old, at a distance. not coax you from your books any too "I say, Jack, how long is this sort of thing to continue?" shouted Hume. soon."

no answer. Without being able to take 'Where the deuce are your birds?" The two gathered up the few in the details of his appearance, Hume which Hume had brought, and started "Blessed if I know!" replied Jack, dejectedly, as he appeared on the rocks on down the village street. presence of something uncanny-repul-"Let me look at you, Jack," said beside his friend; "there's not a feathsive. Like lightning, Bess Hillyer Hume. "'Pon my word, you are vastly er fluttering anywhere. And now a turned and laid her sound hand on the improved. Twenty pounds heavier than man cannot see the length of his own bowed shoulder. when you arrived here, eh?" nose in this vapor. We may as well "Forty, man! Air is charged with give it up and go home." ozone!" He threw back his shoulders, For hours the two men had been and inhaled a long, deep breath. tramping about the cliffs and the come in and rest your poor head." -"Didn't I- write you about the fishing wastes of sand and poverty grass, and shooting, and the abnormally pret- searching for sea fowl, and finding ty girls? Now, whatever was the row none. with the aunt? You've had one. I The winged tribe had forsaken their noticed something wrong the moment favorite haunts today. Moreover a you got down from the stage. The old mighty fog was falling sullenly on dame has cast you out Pouf! Her everything. Only a round, blurred aristocratic soul could not forgive the speck of yellow light, moving westward into Caleb Hillyer's living room. gaucheries of a raw student, maybe, through the sky, marked the declining No lamp had been lighted there, but or you did not salaam enough before sun. "Come on," said Harold: "this is the her, or"-"Nothing of the kind," interrupted way back to the village;" and he drew Hume, feeling strangely reluctant to his friend into a narrow path-a genmention the truth even to his dear uine sheep track, winding along the familiar friend. "She asked me to do cliffs. "By Jove! you should walk here something; I refused; a rupture was of a dark night, when the wind is on a lark! You couldn't hear your own the consequence." lessly on her lap, and large, lovely eyes "So! And you've just escaped inher- voice then, even if it was pitched to a fixed on the red flame. iting the Ellicott millions. I don't shriek. Thousands of miles of whiteknow whether to pity or congratulate caps thundering in on these cliffs, tearly, "don't be frightened, dear-I am not rible?" you, Unlimited wealth might have ing and gullying a track into their seriously hurt." spoiled you, you know. Go in now, brown sides"-and make your own fortune, Hume. "And what would a sane man be do-You have the right stuff in you. Meaning here of dark nights?" interrupted while here we are at Widow Pole's Hume, in disgust. "You don't mean door, and the worthy soul is more than to insinuate, Jack, that you go philanslumberous eyes shining through ex- grave. half expecting you." dering about a place like this at any quisite lashes. Up a walk of beach stones he led the unholy hour?" way to a tidy cottage. As the two "This, sir," replied Jack, calmly, "i crossed the threshold an appetizing the nearest path to Hillyer's Cove. I odor of fried fish and baked potatoes often go there to spend an evening gave them cheerful greeting. This with old Caleb, and it sometimes hapy, "by a stupid blunder I shot Miss ty, eh?" fare, combined with flaky biscuits and pens that the wind is blowing great irreproachable coffee, was served to guns. Observe in what strange shapes feel like a murderer." the friends in a clean low-ceiled room the few cape trees grow, and you can lighted by oil lamps. Outside, the wind get some idea of its force!-and the was blowing in a way calculated to sea is a tremendous but invisible pressweep a feeble man off his feet, and ence. Look sharp, Hume, and keep the surf roared ceaselessly. At Cape your gun ready. We may meet birds Desolation the Atlantic was not the on the cliffs." Even as he spoke both men heard : plaything of a summer day, but a ravhe is waiting to dress the hurt." soft swish, as of tried wings moving ening and terrible power. Supper over, the two young men re- near in the fog. Hume raised his fowland fell to crying like a terrified child. tired to their own quarters to smoke ing piece, just as the white glancing "I'll call Martha Bray," volunteered idiot!" the pipe of peace together, and talk breast of a bird took shape and color a Harold, who was quite at home in few misty yards ahead. Bang! went between the whiffs. house. "Bless me!" said Hume, with sudden the weapon. A human voice answered From some neighboring room a se recollection, "I have been in your com- it, "oh!" That small, frightened cry struck to pany a full hour, Jack, and you have not yet mentioned the sailor girl-that Hume's heart like a knife. He dropped name, came to Hume's assistance. dangerous combination of beauty and his gun. "Great God!" he cried; "it was not a heroism. Are you very hard hit, my bird, but a woman!" to watch him through long, dense boy?" As he burst upon her, out of the fog, The blood rushed into Harold's lashes. Suddenly she broke into a smooth, inoffensive face-he sighed, she was standing in the cliff path holding to one arm, in a dazed way, and storm of reproaches.

said to Harold; "and if you happen to with a sigh-"and the place is horribly have any brandy in your pocket, a few lonely." "Thank you," said Hume, holding the

drops will not come amiss." "Here it is!" cried Jack, promptly soft, nestling hand a moment longer than was absolutely necessary. roducing a tiny flask. "Take a pull at "As you all came bursting in upon t, Miss Hillyer-it will revive your me just now, what do you think I was courage; though, to be sure, there is small need of that. In this blundering doing here before the fire?" she asked.

"Waiting for the fairy godmother fellow you see Nigel Hume, a friend of mine, and a new arrival on Cape Desolike another Cinderella." "Wrong. I was wishing myself stone lation. You can trust your arm to his

care, for he is well up in surgery, dead." though he knows nothing about birds." "No!" Miss Hillyer declined the brandy, and "Oh, I often do it-every day, it

calmly arranged her jacket, preparafact." "But consider," said Hume, "it very unpleasant to be dead." "I was returning from an errand at Her charming face put on a pathetic Berry's grocery," she said to Harold, and I seemed to hear a voice-your

look voice, somewhere in the fog"-"Is it? Are you quite sure? Som "My voice!" he interrupted, eagerly of us find life unpleasant, too." Bess, the handsome brunette, beck 'How good of you to recognize it!" "Oh, I did not feel quite certain," she ned to her cousin.

explained, "because the crows often "Andy is still out on the porch, make a great noise over these wastes, Hume heard her say, in a low tone and confuse one in regard to sounds." "and he has one of his had spells to-Hume grinned wickedly as his friend's night. Will you not go, dear, and call face fell. "Had I called aloud to you." him in?"

"No," replied Rose, frowning, and concluded Miss Hillyer, "I might have saved all this bother. Good-by"shaking her curly head. "No. no!" protested Jack; "pray al-"Then I must," sadly.

"Pray, let me go," said Harold, who ow us to walk home with you. Miss was always on the watch to serve his Hillver. Hume must dress your arm

properly, you know, and we could nevgoddess. "You can do nothing with him," reer think of leaving you to make the rest of your way, wounded and alone." "As you like," said Bess Hillyer, into strangers."

She vanished through the door. The lifferently; and the three started for two men moved to follow her. "Promise, Mr. Harold, that you will The sailor girl, serene as a May morning, declined all aid from her male es- bring your friend again," said Rose, with a smile in her soft eyes, "and let cort on the way, and behaved very me atone for my unkindness." much as though nothing had happened.

"Certainly," cried Jack; "of course It was plain that the young person who he must watch the progress of his haphad suffered shipwreck in the South Seas, and brought her father's vessel less victim toward recovery; remorse

will be the 'spirit in his feet' forcing safely into port, with fever and other him to this house at all hours. As for horrors aboard, was equal to being shot by a strange man, and preserving me, since Mr. Hume has become so dangerous, I must, in common decency, her equanimity through the ordeal. Two years had brought few changes constitute myself his close attendant." The two friends stepped out into the o Caleb Hillyer's cottage. The fish porch. A stiff breeze was now springflakes were still there-the little garden patch, set with hollyhocks and ing up, shattering the fog. Beyond the

veil of vapor. Westward, a dull, coppery afterglow palpitated low down in As the trio went up the cobble-stone

the sky. walk, in the fast-falling darkness, On the step the strange net mender Hume stumbled against some object was still crouching, with Bess bending crouched on the step of the porch-a man, with a needle and mesh block and above him, talking softly, pleadingly. 'In the name of all that's curious, a heap of torn nets flung down at his what creature is that?" whispered side. He was not working, however, Hume but stooping forward in an attitude of

distress his head grasped in both letter." Harold replied, in a low voice. hands. Hume recoiled. "Beg pardon," "Ah! Does he belong to the Hillyer he said, politely; but the man returned household?"

'Well-ves." was the

"The case which I mentioned in my

part in the service. In 1868 Mr. Oates appointed and given full power to SENATOR CHRISTENSEN'S WORK Miscellaneous Reading. demitted this charge in order to go to raise money, adopt plans and enter in HISTORY OF SMYRNA. Interesting Data Covering a Period of

Arkansas, where in Pope county he to contract for the erection of a suita-"An Observer" Praises His Achievements and Urges His Re-election. soon became pastor of New Pisgah,- ble house of worship: J. D. Whitesides, To the Editor of The State: congregation very largely composed J. W. Quinn, R. T. Castles, W. J. Mc-In a recent issue the Yorkville Enof members who had removed from Gill, J. F. Faulkner and A. J. McGill, Smyrna and Bethany, S. C., and Pis- This committee asked the pastor to quirer has touched upon a subject of

call being accepted, he was installed in congregation worshiped in the new

Seventy-Five Years. gah, N. C. For about three years fol-

The following is the interesting lowing the pastorate of Mr. Oates, the chairman. The congregation respond- and every citizen therein. It is a sketch of Smyrna church that was read Smyrna -pulpit was occasionally filled ed to the efforts of this committee so by Rev. J. L. Oates in connection with by supplies. In the spring of 1871, a liberally that in August, 1907, the con- especially of Beaufort county of the the dedicatory exercises last Saturday second call was presented to Dr. R. A. tract was let to Mr. W. L. Wallace of possibility of the defeat of Senator

afternoon: About the year 1832, William McGill, Esq., removed from Crowder's Creek, May of the same year by Revs. E. E. building, and today we have met and a little over apprehensive of such an

C., where he and his wife were mem- church building erected during the trials and sacrifices, but the people had should realize the importance of rebers of Bethany church, to King's pastorate of Mr. Castles was burned by a mind to work, and God was good. taining Christensen in the important Creek, in the western part of the same an incendiary, but with old time zeal, The trials are forgotten, the sacrifices county. Not far from the same time, the congregation with some outside have already been richly repaid; and capably filled for the past four years. three brothers by the name of Black, help, quickly erected another, that be- in this hour of our joy and this day of removed from the neighborhood of ing the building that was torn down our blessings, with our lips and als Diamond Hill, in Abbeville county, S. last year to make way for the present with our hearts we will sing, C., to the country between King's one. Dr. Ross continued pastor of "All people that on earth do dwell Creek and Buffalo in the extreme west- this congregation until 1890, when with ern part of York county. These men great reluctance in his own heart and

were sons of Joseph Black who was a grief in the hearts of his people, he member of, and a ruling elder in Dia- resigned on acount of the infirmities mond Hill Associate Reformed church. of age. These men and Mr. McGill, finding a

Again came a short period of suplikeness in their church preferences, plies, until 1891. In this year, Smyr- Pastor of Hickory Grove and Smyrna na and her daughter, Hickory Grove, agreed to join together in an effort to secure preaching for themselves and extended a call to Rev. J. P. Knox, and

families, and to this end invited the this call was accepted. Mr. Knox was Rev. Thomas Ketchen of the A. R. installed at Smyrna, December 3, 1891. plied Bess Hillyer; "he pays no heed church to visit them and preach for Dr. R. A. Ross preaching the sermon, them and baptize the children of one Rev. R. M. Stevenson addressing the teemed citizens of York county.

Mr. Oates was born in Gaston cour of their number, Hon. James A. Black. pastor, and Rev. J. C. Galloway ad-Mr. Ketchen appears to have complied dressing the people. This pastorate ty, N. C., in 1873. His parents took him with this request promptly, for we find continued until May 21, 1899, when Mr. to Catawba township in 1880, and he of Mr. McGill. This was the beginning seven and one-half years he had serv- Neely's Creek congregation. He was that in 1834 he preached at the house Knox demitted the charge which for grew to manhood as a member of the of the movement which resulted in the ed faithfully and successfully, in order educated in the common schools of the organization of Smyrna church. Soon to take up work in Columbia. Another Neely's Creek neighborhood, and at after this it was discovered that a num- short season of supplies, and then in Erskine college and seminary, and was ber of families belonging to Sharon con- 1900 a call, made out for the present licensed to preach in 1897.

in the northern part of York county, S. Boyce and Robert Lathan. In 1873, the formally given it to God. There were



Sing to the Lord with cheerful voice the important place on the dispensa-Him serve with mirth, His praise ry investigating committee. Everyforth tell. thing that he has touched has reveal-Come ye before Him and rejoice." ed to the public a desire in him to be REV. J. L. OATES, of service to his fellows and to his state. Without fear or malice the in-

Churches.

Ross, for one-half of his time. This Yorkville, and in January, 1908, the Neils Christensen, Jr., who stands for

trepid young politician plunged beneath all existing coverings of the nefarious, graft-breeding institution in The subject of the photograph repro which the commonwealth had been duced herewith is Rev. J. L. Oates, one writhing for ten years and unearthed

become one of their number and act as vital importance to South Carolina

of the best known and most highly esthose crimes and defalcations which startled every honest Carolinian and caused those malicious, dare-devil malefactors to souirm and wriggle under the disgrace of criminal exposhis mind. Christensen proceeded with-

> out regard for the rank or position of his adversaries; he was no respecter of persons. During the entire investigation he quailed under no difficulties that confronted him and there were many seemingly impossible barriers which a man of less courage and affability could never have surmount-

Cool, deliberate, earnest and determined, the fearless senator would face the most derisive, profane reprobate with a plea for testimony, when in more than one instance he was met with angry outbursts of insulting epithets from his would-be witness. Did Christensen lose his temper and resort to violence where he received such rebuffs? Never: on every such occasion he met the distorted, angry face of his assailant with a frank, mocking smile that conquered more effectively than would have the prison cell or the club. The cowardice of the angry aggressor revealed to him was the most werful weapon that the esorted to. Christensen's high sense of honor and irreproachable character make the boldness and intrepidity of his actions unusually intense Mr T W Klingenberg, one of the foremost detectives of the country and a man of wide reputation and experience, said that Nells Christensen, Jr., is the most remarkable man with whom he has ever come in contact: that his ability to approach men and carry his point is phenomenal. Klingenberg was perhaps more intimately associated with Mr. Christensen than was any other man during these moments that demanded the utmost courage and calmness, and he is doubtless more capable of judging the sterling qualities of the young senator than any one else.

like a furnace.

it-I'm quite done for."

cares at once?" asked Hume, mocking- porting hand. Harold, following on the did it purposely. Take him away, Mr. wait till you are clear of the medical horrified recognition. school, and can hang out your shingle are you hurt?" in proper fashion?"

"Do not be frightened," she answer-"Oh, bless you," answered Jack, with a rueful grin, "I never spoke a word of ed, calmly. "I dare say it is nothing." love to Miss Hillyer in my life. She She's beautiful and gracious, yet deucedly forbidding, too. So I let conceal- Could anything have been more idiment, like a worm in the bud, feed on otic? I'll never touch a fowling piece complicate matters by fainting. I am your letter-where shall I find that?"

"At Caleb's, also,"

"Yes, Hume, I may as well confess he saw a thin stream of blood making its way through the sleeve of her jack-"And do you mean to assume family et down over the fingers of the sup-

on my grave!"

"I saw that wing in your hat," said keeps a fellow always at arm's length. Hume, in an agony of shame and remorse, "and mistook you for a bird.

my cheek. Tomorrow I'll take you to again-at-least, in a fog! Lend a hand, Caleb's cottage, and you shall behold Harold. Is there any house on these the sailor girl, with your own eyes." | devilish cliffs? I mean, can we get | me." "All right," said Hume; "and the ter- Miss Hillyer under shelter? I ought to rible case which you mentioned in be shot myself, and in dead earnest, too, for making such a monstrous

blunder."

able turn. Harold's pipe went out, and the two men were pale with apprehen- some petted, irresponsible child, and he would eagerly be offered, but no such his time. During his pastorate, the E. Castles, A. J. McGill and Robert think that he is located permanently, plot has been sold in a generation, congregation showed their zeal by dis- Whisonant. and if this be true, the large scope of contend that she can produce a more as he was lighting it anew he re- sion-her own, bright, dark, beautiful, paid small heed to her incivility. "You must not mind my cousin," and none is on the market. The so- carding the old church, and in its stead Deacons-W. J. McGill, R. W. country that has already enjoyed so loyal and earnest representative. narked: "When you come to think of had not changed a whit. erecting a large and well furnished Whitesides, J. N. Quinn and J. D. such good through him is to be con-"She does not mean to be called sale of the old custom house While Senator Christensen has for "Don't reproach yourself," she said said Bess. it, the death of your cousin, Lepel Elliwas so scandalous and exceptional as building, one which is said to have Whitesides. gratulated on having in store still several years been active in state polto Hume. "Your mistake was pardon- rude." Clerk of session-J. W. Quinn. "I deserve all her reproaches, and to form no criterion. As high as \$11,- compared favorably with any wooden cott, was a dismal affair." great greater benefits for the future. itics he is even now in his 20's, and able-in this mist. Of course the gull's more," he answered, in a tone that 000,000 an acre was paid even before building in the country. Mr. Castles Superintendent of Sabbath school-"I wonder it that statuesque creature, Miss Fassel, has ever really forgiven the poor beggar?" "Who knows—who cares?" answered "Rather." has already rendered the state one of de We deceive ourselves oftener than the greatest services that any man we are deceived by others. could have rendered. He deserves the do Speaking before thinking is like praise of the state and the loyal sup-"Indeed, I have been rude!" she said, on the east by a line drawn from the Bowery to Fulton Market, would conport of every voter in his home counalready drawn the jacket from her arm, held out a rose-leaf hand. stanched the flowing blood. To his un-stanched the flowing blood. To his un-the flowing blood. To his un-blood. To his un-his congregation. Therefore in the early part of the flowing blood. To his un-his congregation. Therefore in the ear Hume. broken heart and an early decline." "Humbug!" Through a cloud of curling smoke Harold beamed cheerfully on his friend. "Let me see; all the society journals broken heart and an early decline." "Humbug!" Through a cloud of curling smoke "Let me see; all the society journals "At any rate, she doesn't go in for a ripped up her dress sleeve, and broken heart and an early decline." An Observer. Wedgefield, S. C., July 14, 1908. Harold beamed cheerfully on his friend. all, but a scratch.

was conscious that he stood in the name is Andy Gaff." "What, may I ask, makes Andy Gaff

so uncommonly queer?" "That's the very thing I would be

glad to know myself," answered Har-"Andy," she said, and her voice was old, in an aggrieved tone. "It seems like a caress, "put by the nets now- simply impossible, Hume, to discover night is falling-it is time for you to any facts relating to him. The Hillyers preserve a strict silence on the subject, and I have not found a single Still the man answered nothing-only sat as before, with both hands clinched person on Cape Desolation, not even in his hair. A look of unspeakable the Widow Pole, who could be induced, pain and pity swept Miss Hillyer's by love or money, to tell me anything handsome face. She hesitated an in- about the poor wretch. Over at Berry's grocery the old fishermen will talk stant, then opened the door of the cottage, and ushered her two companions from morning till night of everything

upon the earth, or in the waters under the earth, but once name Andy Gaff the merry driftwood fire which always to them, and they are all struck sud-

glowed on the hearth, both in the chilly denly dumb. One thing I do know, however; Miss Hillyer-Bess-is the summer and the intensely cold winter, was now blazing its brightest. Flung man's guardian angel, devoted to him -watchful always for his safety and down on a mat before it, Hume saw a young girl, in a simple blue flannel comfort. I fancy that life would go gown, with dimpled hands dropped list- hard with him at the cottage but for

he!!" "He is probably demented," said "Rose," said Bess Hillyer, soothing- Hume, "Why did you call the case ter-

They were making their way past an The girl on the mat started to her old fishhouse that stood up like a gray feet-turning on Hume and his friend ghost in the dusk, its weather-beaten a small oval face, with a tinge of sea- clapboards flecked with yellow lichen shell pink in either cheek, and long, Harold's face grew preternaturally

"Because of the relations which the poor wretch sustains to- Look here "Oh! what has happened, Bess?" she cried, running toward her cousin. "Oh! Hume; you saw the little girl Rose tonight?" jerking one hand in the direcoh! Somebody has wounded you!" "Yes," confessed Hume, remorseful- tion of the cottage. "She's a born beau-

"Well, rather," Hillyer out on the cliffs. I assure you, "And not a day past eighteen-poor child! In the excitement of our en-Rose began to scream hysterically. trance into the cottage, you were not "Hush, dear," pleaded Bess; "it is properly introduced to Rose. How i othing. You must not blame Mr. came about God only knows. I haven't Hume. He aimed at the gull's breast yet been able to clear up the mystery n my hat. Be a good girl, and bring -but that young beauty is Andy Gaff's some bandages and a basin of water-

wife-tied to him forever, like life to death. The man is not a lunatic, Hume But Rose sank into the nearest chair, but something even worse-a mumbling

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ing woman, answering to the above Value of Property In London Compared No sooner had the young fellow set

With New York. A four-line cable dispatch in the about dressing Miss Hillyer's wound than Rose hushed her sobs and began Sunday World said:

"The city of London proper covers one square mile, and the capitalized value of the property within its bor-"You dreadful man, how could you ders represents \$1,250,000,000, which, hurt Bess like that ?---our dear, darling it is claimed, establishes it as the Bess! I hate you for it! Perhaps you richest area in the world." A comparison between London and

"Good Heaven! Miss Rose, how ab- whether a square mile of lower New surdly you talk!" said Harold. "Acci- York has not passed in valuation the charge at Sharon on the first Weddents will happen, you know, especial- even the financial centre of the nesday in December, 1843. This pasly in a fog. He is my friend, and both "city" acres actually occupied by priso upset that I have forgotten how vate property may be 417 acres, aver- Union county, S. C., and extended a

a square foot. The binding of the wound was a

trifling task, for the bullet had simply New York, not on Broadway or Wall ing of the First presbytery at Steele grazed Miss Hillyer's fine, soft flesh. street, a price as high as \$28,000,000 Creek, N. C., March 8, 1854, and was ac-Hume put the arm carefully in a sling, an acre has been paid. For a plot of cepted. He was installed sometime dur-

other, and-to Hume-very uncomfort- retained her composure. The faces of the from it. Rose, as he supposed, was Wall street \$20,000,000 an acre officiating. Smyrna took one-half of sides, J. A. McGill, J. W. Quinn, James

THE NEW SMYRNA ASSOCIATE REFORMED CHURCH.

gregation, but living between Clark's pastor, was accepted by him and on After having held charges at Bartow, Fork and King's Creek and therefore March 14, 1900, he was installed at Fla., and in Lancaster county, Mr. When Senator Blease's bill was at a considerable distance from their Smyrna, over the joint charge of Smyr- Cates was called to the pastorate of church, were desirous of co-operating na and Hickory Grove, Revs. R. M. the Hickory Grove and Smyrna conpassed Mr. Christensen was one of the with Mr. McGill and the Black's in se- Stevenson and J. S. Grier having charge gregations in 1900, and has been living first men to be appointed on the investigating committee. After the full at Hickory Grove since that time. curing Associate Reformed preaching of the installation. committee was selected the body was

Though still a young man, and a Thomas Whitesides, Major Whitesides, years that have elapsed since the first very modest and retiring young man at a loss as to how to proceed. Mr. nucleus of this congregation was form- at that, Mr. Oates has establishthe suggestion that the members be Robert Whitesides, Thomas Faulkner, Robert Nealands, Josiah Henry, and ed, we find the following supplies, pas- ed a reputation as a model pastor and John Brown were the heads of these tors and officers have served them: as a preacher of unusual ability and divided into several subcommittees to latter families. The result of this mu- from 1834 until 1843, Revs. Thomas power, and has grown in the love and investigate the different branches of esteem of his people to such an extent the dispensary. Christensen chose Mr. was erected somewhere on the dividing er, John Pressly, David Pressly, Joseph that he has come to be recognized as Lyon as his coworker. Lyon has made ridge between Clark's Fork and King's McCreary, T. C. Martin, R. C. Grier, one of the strongest members of the a most unusual record in forcing the Creek, under which services were held J. H. Boyce and R. A. Ross, were the First Associate Reformed presbytery. for a few times. But men like these supplies. From 1843 until 1852, Rev. R. Inquiry among the people of westwere not satisfied with a brush arbor, A. Ross was pastor. From 1854 until ern York, whether that inquiry be courageous energy of Neils Christen-

and the next year, 1835, a small but 1862, Rev. J. R. Castles was pastor. comfortable church was erected on the From 1863 until 1868, Rev. Monroe site occupied by the present building; Oates was pastor. From 1868 until the land necessary for this purpose 1871, Revs. Robert Lathan and R. A. being donated by a generous Presby- Ross were the supplies. From 1871, unterian, John Darwin. From the build- til 1890, Dr. R. A. Ross was again pasing of this church until 1843, preaching tor. During a few months after Dr. was supplied at irregular intervals by Ross' demission other pastors preached various ministers of the Associate Re- a day or two at a time, among them formed church. In the mean time, Dr. R. Lathan and Revs. R. M. Stevenabout 1840, it was found necessary to son and T. B. Stewart. From 1891 unenlarge the church building. This was til 1899, Rev. J. P. Knox was pastor, done by putting an addition of 12 or 14 and since 1900, the present incumbent

feet to one end of the house. In the has been pastor. The following elders have been or summer of 1843, the congregation was formally organized by the Rev. R. C. dained at the times mentioned: Robert Grier, there being probably forty-eight Whitesides, Thomas Faulkner, Thomas members enrolled. The elders elected McGill and Capt. John F. Oates in 1843; and ordained at that time were Robert J. D. Wylie, J. L. Wylie and Calvin Whisonant, about 1860; near this time Whitesides, Thomas Faulkner, Thomas Thomas Whitesides was received as an McGill, and Capt. John F. Oates. There

is no record now of the communicants elder from Sharon, and Dr. H. C. Cas tles from Catholic in Chester county of that date, but it is of interest to know that of the children then living of Moses White and L. M. McAlister in 1872; R. M. Patrick was received as those who took part in that solemn rite, an elder from Sardis in Union county, the following four are alive today: R. W. Whitesides, Alexander McGill, Mrs. in 1872; John B. Whitesides, R. M Plaxco and W. M. McGill in 1876; J. A. Martha White and Mrs. W. M. Ken-McGill, James E. Castles, W. M. White-

nedy. In the summer of 1843, Smyrna sides, and J. W. Quinn in 1889; and A. united with Sharon and Olivet congre-J. McGill and Robert Whisonant in gation in extending a call to Rev. R. A.

ly, "or will your ardor permit you to heels of his friend, uttered a shout of Harold. Who is he?-why did you New York values is difficult owing to Ross; Smyrna asking for one-third of 1906. In 1873, J. M. Whitesides, R. G. Whitesides, William White and W. J. "Bess!-Miss Hillyer! Heaven above! feel as though some one was walking in the one city and freeholds in the him at a meeting of the First Presby-McGill elected deacons, and R. W. other. But it may be questioned tery at Hopewell, Chester county, and Whitesides and J. D. Whitesides in

was accepted. He was installed over 1890; and J. N. Quinn in 1895. T. G. Wylie was clerk of session from 1859 until 1873: L. M. McAlister world. Making a deduction for its toral relation continued until April, of us are heartbroken over the affair. narrow streets and its public build- 1852, when it was dissolved by request from 1873 until 1875; W. M. McGill Now hold up, child. You will only ings, the portion of London's 688 of the pastor. In 1854, Smyrna united from 1875 until 1897; and J. W. Quinn with Sardis, a small congregation in from 1897 until the present time. J. N. McGill, R. T. Castles, B. F. White and A. J. McGill have served as to bring you to, and Hume can't help aging \$3,000,000 an acre, nearly \$70 call to Rev. J. R. Castles. This call was moderated by Rev. R. A. Ross, and treasurers, the last named still hold-

ing this office. For a small "key" plot in lower was presented to Mr. Castles at a meet-The following are the officers of the church at the present time: Pastor-Rev. J. L. Oates. Elders-R. M. Plaxco, W. M. White-Miss Hillyer smiled. She alone had assuring her that she would suffer lit- considerable size in the best part of ing the same year, Drs. Ross and Boyce

ter than any one else, knows that the the committee and made possible the ultimate success achieved.

In procuring testimony Mr. Christensen availed himself of every advantage in sight, making exhaustive researches for all data that had accumulated during the rotten administration of the dispensary. With this zealous and aggressive comrade, Mr. Lyon, the most persistent efforts were made to give this band of thieves their just deserts. In order that the proceedings of the committee should be expedited. Mr. Christensen had so arranged all the affidavits, records and data that they could be immediately referred to, and he occupied throughout the sessions of the committee a seat beside Mr. Lyon, where he laid before him these records and many were the times that he came to the rescue of Mr. Lyon with some valuable suggestion or advice.

One need only read the testimony brought out by these two men to ascertain the value of their services. No greater crime was ever unearthed, as the testimony will show; truly they have been too numerous for the people of the state to consider other than

merely casual or thorough, will devel- as one great crime, yet few officials op that everybody, regardless of de- that have been in any way connected nominational affiliation, knows Mr. with the vast organization have es-Dates, and that nine individuals out caped without the word "corruption"

of ten will lay claim on him as a spe- imprinted upon a once clean record. cial personal friend. Without the No one need fear that Christensen slightest compromise of the sacred is not making every effort to retain dignity of his high calling, he has a his seat in the senate; he will get alwonderful faculty for making himself at most unanimous support from the ease in the presence of whatever com- town of Beaufort. One has only. to pany and of putting whatever compaspend a few hours in his office to learn of the confidence that the people of

Several times during the past few Beaufort have in his sound judgment years, Mr. Oates has had intimations if and conservative ideas. His friends not positive assurances, that he could are too numerous and his clean record have some of the strongest and wealth- too well established in his own county liest charges in his denomination by for one to regard his defeat as by any the mere acceptance; but up to this means evident. Yet the friends of the time he has not been able to see that his heroic senator should guard against duty demands, a change. As matters the "silent tread of political yeggnow stand, he thinks and his people men." South Carolina cannot afford to lose so able a son, nor can Beaufort



REV. J. L. OATES.

ny at ease in his presence.