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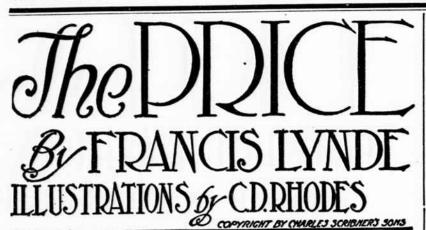
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CHAPTER XX. Broken Links.

Kleifurt's that Broffin, wishful for solitude and a chance to think in perspective, took to the woods.

A letter from the New Orleans office hed re-opened the account of the Bayou State Security robbery. The but inconclusive. One Patrick Sheehan, a St. Louis cab driver, dying, had made confession to his priest. For a bribe of two hundred dollars he had aided and abbeted the escape of a criminal on a day and date corresponding to the mid-April arrival of the steamer Belle Julie at St. Louis. Afterward he had driven the man to an uptown hotel (name not given). He could not recall the man's name But the destination address, "Wahas ka, Minnesota," was submitted with the confession.

Broffin felt himself short-sighted from the very nearness of things. The single necessity now was for absolute and unshakable identification. To establish this, three witnesses and three only, could be called upon. Of the three, two had failed signally-Miss Farnham because she had her own reasons for blocking the game, and asked. President Galbraith . . . That was another chapter in the book of failure. Broffin had learned that the president was stopping at the De Soto Inn, and he had maneuvered to bring Mr. Galbraith face to face with Griswold in the Grierson bank on the day after the pistol-buying. To his astonishment and disgust the president had shaken his head irritably, adding a rebuke. "Na, na, man; your trade makes ye over-suspicious. That's Mr. Griswold, the writer-man and a friend of the Grierson. Miss Madge was telling me about him last week. He's no more like the robber than you are. Haven't I told ye the man was bearded like a

tyke? With two of the three eye-witnesses refusing to testify, there remained Bayou State Security. Broffin was considering the advisability of wiring

son had left her seat and was pacing a slow march up and down. That she It was on the second day after the had not seen him became a fact suffipistol-buying incident in Simmons & ciently well-assured when she sat down again and began to speak to mountain constructed out of a rather Griswold

"How is the new partnership going by this time?" she asked, after the manner of one who rewinnows the little "social climber." as his sister chaff of the commonplaces in the hope called her, had ever bothered her mail communication was significant of finding grain enough for the immediate need. "So far as Grierson is concerned you wouldn't notice that there is a Griswold calls himself a socialist. That

partnership," laughed the iron founder. "I can't make him galvanize an atom gist." of interest in his investment. All I can get out of him is, 'Don't bother me; I'm busy.' " "Mr. Griswold is in a class by him-

self, don't you think?" was the quesioning comment. "He is all kinds of a good fellow; that's all I know, and all I ask to know," answered Raymer loyally.

"I believe that-now," said his companion, with the faintest possible emphasis upon the time-word. Broffin marked the emphasis and the pause that preceded it, and leaned forward to miss no word. "Meaning that there was a time when you didn't believe it?" Raymer "Meaning that there was a time when he had me scared half to death," confessed the one who seemed always to say the confidential things as if it

were the most trivial. "Do you rememsuch a hit last summer?" ber one day in the library, when you found me looking over the file of the newspapers for the story of the robbery of the Bayou State Security bank in New Orleans?" Raymer remembered it very well and admitted it.

"Yes; I remember it all very clearly Also I recollect how the second newspaper notice told how the robber escaped from the officers at St. Louis. But you haven't told me how you were scared," Ro her suggested. to that. This escape

"I'm con "Griswold has put an even ninety thou- reserve banks may be depended upon, w read at , happened on a certain only Johnson, the paying teller of the day in April. It was the very day on sand into my little egg basket out at under their power of rediscount, to the plant. But, of course you knew co-operate to the fullest extent with which poppa met me on my way back that, everybody in Wahaska knows it the banks in taking care of the cotton than that? from Florida, and we took the elevencrop. • • What better security, thirty train north that night. You by this time." therefore, could a southern bank ask haven't forgotten that Mr. Grierso Miss Grierson did not reply, and for a little while they were both silent. than the obligation of a merchant-or was a passenger on that same train?" "But, goodness gracious, Miss Mar-Then Raymer said: farmer which he has been carrying on "I wonder if McMurtry doesn't think a crop not yet existing—what better gery! any number of people were pas-I've dropped out on him. I guess I'd or more liquid investment, could a sengers on that train. You surely southern banker find, than to carry better go and see. Don't wait any wouldn't-" this same obligation for a few months, "Hush!" she said, and through th onger on my motions, unless you want if necessary, secured by the actual lace window hangings Broffin saw her to, Miss Margery." lift a warning finger. "What I am When Raymer had gone, the opporcotton properly warehoused and insurtelling you, Mr. Raymer, is in the tunity which Broffin had so lately ed, and certain of a market?" strictest confidence; we mustn't let a craved was his. Miss Grierson was fol-President Wilson's letter is as left alone on the big veranda, and he lows: breath of it get out. But that wasn't had only to step out and confront her. "My Dear Mr. Harding: all. Mr. Grierson was dreadfully sick "Thank you sincerely for your letter Instead, he got up quietly and went and, of course, he couldn't tell us anything about himself. But while he was back through the lobby with his head of August 22d. It gives me just the indelirious he was always muttering down and his hands in his pockets, formation I desired. What interests me most is this: it is evident from omething about money, money; monand the surviving bit of the dead cigar ey that he had lost and couldn't find, or disappeared between his strong teeth what you tell me that the country money that he had found and couldn't and became a cud of chagrin. There banks with whom the farmer and other lose. Then when we thought he had been a goal in sight, but Miss producers directly deal can get money couldn't possibly get well, Doctor Ber-Grierson had beat him to it. at from four to four and one-half per tie and I ransacked his suitcases for cent, and that the question whether And the winner of the small handicards or letters or something that cap? With a deep breath-drawing that the benefit of this advantageous rate was almost a sob. Miss Grierson sprang is to be extended to the farmer is in would tell us who he was and where he came from. There wasn't the litup, stole a swift confirming glance at their hands. It is inconceivable to me that those who are responsible fo the empty chair behind the window tlest thing!" hangings, and crossed the veranda to dealing directly with the producers of "And that was when you began to the country should be willing to jeopspect?" queried Raymer. stand with one arm around a support-"That was when the suspicion being pillar. And since the battle was ardize the prosperity of the country gan to torture me. I fought it; oh, fought and won, and the friendly pil- itself by refusing to share with the lar gave its stay and shelter, the vel- producers the beneficial rates now obyou don't know how hard I fought it! tainable for money loaned. I think There he was, lying sick and helpless vety eyes filled suddenly and the ripe atterly unable to do a thing or say a red lips were trembling like the lips of that we can confidently expect that the a frightened child. banks in the cotton states and in the word in his own defense; and yet, if (To be Continued.) agricultural regions generally will e were the robber, of course, we content themselves with a rate not should have given him up. It was termore than one or two per cent above rible! Monkey Died Like a Man .- The the rate which they themselves pay "I should say so," was Raymer's death of "Bill Snyder," the veterar hope that the facts which you hav sympathetic comment. "How did you baboon of the Central Park Zoo, from stated to me will become generally get it straightened out, at last?" acute indigestion, is chronicled in the known among the producers of the "It hasn't been altogether straight day's news. Bill was not one of the country so that they may feel themened out until just lately-within the higher order of the monkey family; selves free to exact of the banks with past few days," she went on gravely his kinship to the human race, if he 'After he began to get well, I made which they have to deal what they unhad any, was very remote. Yet suredoubtedly have a right to expect. nim talk to me-about himself, you ly in the manner of his death he dis-"Sincerely yours, know. There didn't seem to be anyplayed a simian resemblance to man "Woodrow Wilson." thing to conceal. At different times He died as hundreds of thousands Note carefully that the president of he told me all about his home, and his of beings higher in the scale of evolumother, whom he barely remembers, tion die, as countless numbers of our the United States tells you to feel free to demand of the banks what you have and the big-hearted, open-handed fa-'best citizens" die-from overeating right to expect. ther who made money so easily in his He was reckless in the indulgence of On August 24th, Secretary McAdoo profession—he was the Griswold, the his appetite for food as the most culinnounced that if it became necessary great architect, you know-that he tivated member of the human family gave it to anybody who wanted itne would deposit thirty million doland if the circumstances of his death lars or more of gold in the Federal rebut I suppose he has told you all this? excite surprise, it is that his natura serve banks at Atlanta, Dallas and "No; at least, not very much of it." instincts did not preserve him from Richmond, "for the purpose of enabling Miss Grierson went on smoothly the fate of the most intelligent human the reserve banks to rediscount loans falling sympathetically into the remibeings on cotton secured by warehouse re niscent vein. Bill's death points a dietetic mora ceipts." He stated further that this for monkeys that exchange nuts and

ent, carrying with it the assurance that his secret was no secret, would State Warehouse Commissioner Ad-"It's so," she was adding calmly. vises Farmers of Situation. ound out. How do I know? Becaus er father bought the draft at poppa's bank, and in the course of time i

PRODUCERS IN FOR A HARD FIGHT ame back with the Bayou State Security's dated paying stamp on it. Se Statistical Position of Cotton is All

ow easy it was!" Raymer's laugh was not altogether nirthful. "You are a witch," he said. here anything you don't know?" "Not very many things that I really

itility, Miss Grierson's cool announce-

ave settled it.

foolish my suspicions were."

tinction in names.

cal one.

money?

you, I mustn't."

write that?"

"Of course, I don't want

said Raymer, loyal again.

is Entitled. need to know," was the mildly boast-Editor Yorkville Enquirer: ful retort. "But you see, now, how

I will appreciate it if you will give pace to the following statement to the Raymer nodded. Though he would farmers of South Carolina:

not have admitted it under torture, the We are approaching the marketing entire matter figured somewhat as period for our crop under conditions never before presented. We can secure mall molehill to a man for whom the prices above the cost of production if subtleties lay in a region unexplored we place ourselves in a position He wondered that the clear-minded take advantage of the opportunity. We need not deceive ourselves that it will not be a hard fight, because those who nimble brain about such an abstruse have heretofore profited by forcing the and far-fetched question of identities. crop out of our hands at a low price "You said a few minutes ago that during the marketing period and reaping an enormous profit in the spring, isn't quite the word. He is a sociolowill use every effort to do so again Yesterday, on a report which could not Miss Grierson ignored the nice dispossibly be construed as indicating much over an eleven-million bale crop,

"Socialism goes with being poor the market was forced off one dollar doesn't it?" she remarked. "Since Mr. and seventy cents per bale. Griswold's ship has come in, I suppose In anticipation of these tactics,

he finds it easier, and pleasanter, to wrote President Wilson a letter on the be a theoretical leveler than a practi-5th of August, specifically calling his attention to the necessity of immediate "That is another thing I have never action. In his reply the president exeen quite able to understand." said pressed his "genuine interest," and promised to discuss it with those "who the iron founder. "You say his father understand the matter better than I left him poor; where did he get his do." He conferred with Mr. Harding, of the Federal reserve board, and Mr. "Why, don't you know?" was the innocent query. And then, with a pretty Harding, during the course of an ad-

affectation of embarrassment, real or dress delivered in Birmingham last perfectly simulated: "If he hasn't told Wednesday night, read a letter from President Wilson, which, together with the address, is all that we could expect. Mr. Harding said "the welfare "I can give you a hint, and that is of the south depends upon this crop

all. Don't you remember 'My Lady being marketed at fairly remunerative Jezebel,' the unsigned novel that made prices; the prosperity, or the reverse, of the southern farmer means strength "Why, bless goodness, yes! Did he or weakness of the merchants and bankers of the south, and vitally af-"He has never admitted it in so fects trades and industries throughout many words. But I'll divide a little this entire country. Let the southern secret with you. He has been reading bankers," he said, "wherever possible

bits of his new book to me, and pshaw! make liberal concessions in their usual a blind person could tell! I asked him rates on commodity loans. High inonce if he could guess how much the terest rates mean forced sales. Presauthor of 'My Lady Jezebel' has been ent conditions fully justify low rates paid, and he said, with the most perand southern bankers should be willing 'Oh. to forego temporary profits for the fectly transparent carelessness: about a hundred thousand, I suppose." sake of securing and solidity in the "Tally!" said Raymer, laughing. future. I am sure that the Federal

The banks of New York. Chicag and other money centers are really suf-

THE FINANCING OF COTTON have no doubt that the banks in the this opportunity, by withholding her TOLD BY LOCAL EXCHANGES of such powerful aid as they are asand October, it will reach twelve cents sured by the Federal administration a pound for middling, and then when

> will be rendered them. t goes below that price and obliga-I have just returned from a trip to tions are pressing, borrow ten cents New York, in company with several pound and hold it off the market until South Carolina bankers. I find that it goes back to twelve cents. We can pay our indebtedness with ten cents CONDENSED FOR OUICK

the banks there with southern correspondents are ready to extend credits and carry over whatever surplus there based on state warehouse receipts is for the big prices sure to come

outside of the usual line for the curwithin the next year. In this way the that Could be Desired, and Ultimate Good Prices are Inevitable; But the rent needs of the banks. I suggest average price of the crop can be made Producer Must be Careful if he Gets that our local banks, in handling their to idemnify us in some part for the the Benefit of the Price to Which he customers' notes secured by warehouse losses last year.

that is not practical, and it is neces- ple away from here believe that it county, won the four year scholarship receipts do so by rediscount, and where I find it very difficult to make per sary for the banks to give their own costs more than ten cents a pound to to the Citadel, the military college of notes, secured by farmers' notes and make cotton, but those of us who are receipts for cotton, which increases the engaged in its actual production know local banks' liability on bills payable, that, counting the interest on the inthat the entry of such liability be de- vestment, twelve cents a pound shows

signated on the book of the bank, and but a small margin of profit. state warehouse act anticipated just young white man, was bound over to in the published statements, as "bills payable secured by South Carolina state warehouse receipts." By doing the requirements of the Federal reserve this, the northern banks will readily board as to a receipt, by guaranteeing understand what the abnormal amount the title, weights and grades. In of "bills payable" represents, whereas statement issued on the 9th of last if they did not they would be re-December, in analyzing the new curluctant to handle the notes of the bank. rency act, I said that "it was up to the banks." I repeat that declaration, There are several large banks which have expressed their willingness to and cite as authority for the same, the statements which I have quoted from handle state warehouse receipts for those who are in control of the financial others than their regular correspondents. These banks, however, do not destiny of the United States.

care for this class of business in small amounts, say, less than ten thousand dollars.

None of the banks with whom

hold the rates of interest down. Fo

in every particulaar with the require

the reserve board at Richmond,

are assured that there is plenty of

money to finance the holding of cot-

ton by southern people. "This mon-

ey," they say, "can be had by the

banks at low rates of interest, and all

of them can probably afford to lend

it on cotton at not above six per cent."

What better assurance do we need

have made to the cotton planters of the

that be true, then there cannot

south.

will await developments.

State Warehouse Commissioner. COTTON AS CONTRABAND talked in New York were willing to

· Respectfully,

John L. McLaurin,

commit themselves as to the rate of Comprehensive Explanation of interest in advance of an application Real Meaning of Term. for a loan. I gained the impression

It is not a small matter to th that they did not like the authorities southern farmer that England has de in Washington undertaking to fix the lared cotton to be contraband. rate of interest, but felt that in every In times of war shipments on the case it should be done by the banks sea are divided into three classes: abinterested, with the facts regarding solute contraband, conditional contraeach particular loan before them. band and free goods. am satisfied that it is going to require

Heretofore cotton has been regarded a firm and determined stand on the is free or non-contraband. In other extent that the freak died about an part of the Federal administration to words, when being transported in neutral vessels even though the destinacertain reasons I prefer at present not tion was to the port of its enemy i to have much to say on this point, but ould not be disturbed in transporta tion by a belligerent. Under this rule There is plenty of money to finance last spring many thousands of bales this crop and force a fair price to the of cotton were transported to Ger producer. Our policy is to warehouse many and Austria, to the great bene our cotton and get a receipt complying fit of cotton planters and to the great profit of the cotton merchants. Germents of the Federal reserve board. many consumes about 3.000.000 bales In a statement given out by Messrs of American cotton a year. A dis-D. R. Coker, M. F. H. Gouverneur and turbance of this trade means loss to John F. Burton, who are members of the southern farmer.

then made a few remarks expressing In international law the term "ab solute contraband" is applied to such his appreciation of the courtesies exgoods used exclusively for warlike tended by the patrons and expressing purposes as are being transported the hope that the session just beginwith a view of sale to a belligerent. ning would prove profitable and with-To make any goods absolute contra- out friction. Prof. Witherspoon then band it is necessary that their use announced that there would be some shall be exclusively for war and that two minute speeches and introduced they are destined for a nation at war in rapid succession Prof. Lee Davis even though the goods may pass Lodge, Capt. J. B. Bell, Hon. R. C. Sarratt, Hon, W. S. Hall, Hon, R. A. I through a neutral country before son, Rev. G. C. Leonard, Rev. W. E. reaching their final destination. Crocker, Ed. H. DeCamp, Dr. R. T. On the other hand "conditional con Ferguson, Hon. R. A. Jones, Hon. M. traband" relates to goods not used A. Sarratt and Prof. J. C. Pridemore. exclusively for war purposes though Each of these gentlemen spoke words destined to a port of a belligerent. Free goods are such as are not used of encouragement to principal, teacho great extent for warlike purposes ers and pupils. It seemed to be the or are so connected with humanitarian opinion of all present that the 1915-16 session started off in splendid style use as to make their transportation The Cherokee Avenue school opening ecessary at all times. was not less auspicious than that of Heretofore cotton has been regarded the Central school. W. W. Carter, the s free and this by international agree principal, was in charge of the exercisnent and by a general concensus of es, which were largely attended by the opinion. No nation in time of war patrons of the school. The enrollment has the right without the consent of this year will probably be even larger other nations to change this character than it was last. Among those who of cotton either to absolute or con made talks at the opening yesterday ditional contraband. were: Dr. J. R. Pentuff, T. W. Kirby, England is violating international law when she changes cotton from L T. Vinesett, Rev. J. W. Shell, Dr. W. C. Hamrisk and L. G. Potter. At a free to contraband. She makes it imspecial meeting of the trustees held last possible for the cotton merchant to Tuesday evening, Miss Minnie Burgess risk shipping even to a neutral port, was elected as a teacher for the Cherofor any merchant may be bankrupt through the seizure by England of his kee Avenue school, succeeding Mrs. J. B. Brown, Jr., resigned. Substitute cargo of cotton. teachers elected were: Mrs. H. Fay The merchant will not buy cotto Gaffney, Mrs. W. C. McArthur and ordinarily unless he is able to sell it Miss Winnie Phifer.....Mrs. Lee Patrick of the Wilkinsville section of is reduced, correspondingly is th the county, was operated on at the price. city hospital for appendicitis last

News Happenings In Neighboring **Communities.** READING

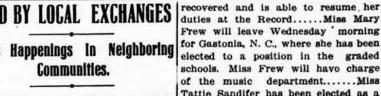
Dealing Mainly With Local Affairs of Cherokee, Cleveland, Gaston, Lancaster and Chester. Gaffney Ledger, Aug. 31: Mr. A. I

oole of the Wilkinsville section of the South Carolina, according to anouncement made from the state superintendent of education's office. Five young men stood the competitive exmination held at the courthouse of August 13.....Grant Childers, a

court yesterday by Magistrate Wm. Phillips, on a charge of arson. He is accused of having burned a dwelling house on the place of Mr. John Mc Cullough, in the Gowdeysville section of the county, some time in June. It is alleged that his motive for burning the house was that his crop was in bad condition and he wanted to quit to take another job A "oneeyed elephant pig" about describes the freak of nature brought to the Ledger office Saturday by Bundy Petty, negro who lives just outside of the incorporate limits. The pig, which was born Friday evening, had only one eye with two pupils in it in the center of its forehead; over this a snout very similar to an elephant's snout, hung; and its ears were shaped exactly like an elephant's. Its feet were slightly turned up. According to Petty this freak of nature was born alive, along with nine other little pigs. For half an hour it played around with the others, but as soon as she saw it the mother jumped on it, injuring it to such an hour and a half later. Hundreds of people saw this curiosity Saturday. An effort was made to preserve it, but no glass jar of the proper measurements could be found..... The opening exercises of the city Graded schools yesterday was all that could be desired. The exercises at the Central Graded scnool began at 10 o'clock, the opening prayer being offered by Rev. W. E. Crocker. Rev. G. C. Leonard read the scripture lesson, after which the school sang, "Come, Thou, Almighty King." Superintendent Witherspoon

Frew will leave Wednesday 'morning for Gastonia, N. C., where she has been elected to a position in the graded schools. Miss Frew will have charge of the music department......Miss Tattie Sandifer has been elected as a teacher in the Graded schools of Gastonia, N. C., and will leave Wednesday morning to assume her duties..... Eighty-two additional looms are being added to the equipment of the Victoria mill, the plant being closed last week to allow the work done. The Harriss mill spinning machinery has also been added to the equipment. This is quite an increase and will largely add to the output of the mill Contractor A. L. Pope this morning began work on the new residence for Mrs. R. L. Holroyd on Hampton street.

Gastonia Gazette, Aug. 31: Mr. C. M. Boyd arrived in the city Sunday from Philadelphia on a visit to his parents, Mr. and Mrs. J. B. Boyd. Mr. Boyd has just received an honorable discharge from the U.S. navy, after a term of service covering six years. He was for more than a year on the U. S. S. Tennessee, which was stationed at Alexandria. Egypt, and figured extensively in the news during the first few months of the European war. During the last few weeks he has been in Hayti, taking part in the suppression of the recent revolution there.....Friends of Rev. Dr. J. C. Galloway, pastor of the First A. R. P. church, will regret to learn of the death of his sister. Mrs. Lola G. Devlin, which occurred at her home in Due West, S. C., Friday night following a month's illness. Mrs. Devlin was in Gastonia visiting Dr. Galloway just a month ago, and on the day following her return home she was taken ill with pneumonia. She survived the critical stage of this attack, but it left her in a weakened condition which resulted in heart failure which brought on her death Luther Van Dyke of Thrift, was so badly carved up Saturday night on board an Interurban car, returning from Charlotte by Houston Williams that 72 stitches were taken in his face by physicians. It will be renembered that Williams of McAdenville, is the man lately pardoned by Governor Craig. He was serving a sentence on the Gaston county roads for larceny.....Gaston county will be well represented this year at the Kansas City Veterinary college, Kansas City, Mo. Messrs. Junius Lineberger. J. T. Dixon and I. T. Lewis of Gastonia, and Mr. W. D. Wolfe of Bessemer City, left today to enter that institution. Mr. Paschal Abernethy of Monroe, son of Rev. J. E. Abernethy, formerly of Gastonia, went with them to take the same course......Mr. M. T. Sanders, who lives at Withers, a suburb of Gastonia, showed the Gazette man yesterday a ather DO



ed the las of the houses on the lakeside drive and struck into the country road which led by cool and shaded forest windings to the resort hotel at the head of the southern bay. Presently a vehicle overtook and passed him. It was Miss Grierson's trap, drawn by the big English trap-horse, with Miss Grierson herself holding the reins and Raymer lounging comfortably in the spare seat Half an hour later Broffin had fol

lowed the huge hoof-prints of the great English trap-horse to the driveway portal of the De Soto grounds. where they were lost on the pebbled carriage approach. Strolling on through the grounds into the lakefronting lobby of the inn, he went in search of Miss Grierson. He found her on the broad veranda, alone, and for the moment unoccupied. How to make the attack so direct and so over whelming that it could not be withstood was the only remaining ques-



"There Wasn't the Littlest Thing."

tion: and Broffin had answered it to his own satisfaction, and was advance ing through an open French window directly behind Miss Grierson's chair to put the answer into effect, when the opportunity was snatched away. Raymer, his business apparently concluded, came down to the veranda and took the chair next to Miss Grierson's.

Brotfin dropped back into the writ ing-room alcove for which the French window was the outlet and sat down to bide his time.

"It's a shame to make you wait this way, Miss Madge. McMurty said he had an appointment with Mr. Gal- thinks he is a socialist. At last I felt braith for 3 o'clock, and he had to that I just must know, at whateve keep it. But he ought to be down cost. One day when we were driving again by this time. Don't wait for me if you want to go back to town. I can get a lift from somebody."

"That would be nice, wouldn't it?" was the good-natured retort. "To Raymer laughed. "Of course nothing make you tie up your own horse in came of it?" town and then leave you stranded "Nothing at all. And then, right ou away out here three miles from noof a clear sky came another proof tha where! I think I see myself doing was even more convincing. Do you such a thing! Besides, I haven't a happen to know who the young woman thing to do but wait." was who discovered the bank robber

Broffin shifted the extinct cigar h on the steamboat?" was chewing from one corner of his "I?" How should I know?" mouth to the other and pulled his soft "I didn't know but she had told you. hat lower over his eyes. He, too, could was the demure rejoinder. "It was wait There was a little stir on the Charlotte Farnham."

veranda: a rustle of silk petticoats "What!" ejaculated Raymer. and the click of small heels on the he was not more deeply moved than now hardwood floor. Broffin could not for- was the man behind the window curbear the peering peep around the shel- tains. If Broffin's dead cigar had not tonnage, of course, is more than ten-

"Kenneth went to college withou ever having known what it was to lack anything in reason that money could ouy. A little while after he was graduated his father died." "Leaving Kenneth poor, I suppose he has intimated as much to me, once

or twice," said Raymer. "Leaving him awfully poor. He wanted to learn to write, and for a long time he stayed on in New York living just any old way, and having a

ireadfully hard time of it, I imagine more ships in the foreign trade than though he would never say much about that part of it. That is why he

> brought him here and-and introduced him to Mr. Galbraith. I was s ons, an increase of 363 ships 37,623 tons for the year. scared that I could taste it-but I did registry

Secretary Sweet of the department o ommerce, said in a statement yes erday: "This is about triple the in terday crease in registered tonnage for any previous year Our registered tonnage is now muc greater than at any time since 1863.

foreign trade. It is many times more fficient, however, as the steam ton nage now amounts to 1,273,067 gross while in 1863 it amounted to only 133,215 tons. The increase from the ship registry act of August 18 914, to June 13, 1915, was so rapid that tonnage under the American flag employed in foreign trade nearly equal to such tonnage under the

ended June 30.

money would be deposited without inroots of the jungle for the richer food terest charge, and that if it became of Zoo captivity and idleness. The necessary he would make the deposits application of the moral to mankind directly with the national banks which eed not be considered. A vastly would agree to lend money on cotton greater number of men die from overat a rate not exceeding six per cent. eating than from starvation and the He also said that for the time being death of a humble simian in the cirthe treasury department would charge cumstances from this characteristical no interest on the deposits in Federal ly human ailment may serve to emeserve banks, and justified his action phasize the facts .- New York World by the unusual situation respecting otton caused by the European - The American flag now floats over saying that he considered it his duty

at any time since 1863. Figures made o use every available means in his oublic yesterday by the departmen power to help the cotton producers of of commerce show a record increase the south under such conditions; that American shipping for the year On that date there it was "of economic importance to the vere registered in the foreign trade entire nation that those who produce ships totalling 1,813,775 gros the cotton crop shall have a fair opand portunity to dispose of it gradually Practic ally all the increase is due to the new and in orderly manner, so that they law. Assistan may not be forced to sell at sacrifice prices. The banks which are mem pers of the Federal reserve system, he continued, "should make loans of American history warehouse receipts for insured cotton at low interest rates; that the banks we had 2,026,114 gross tons in can well afford to carry cotton for producers at six per cent, especially if they are able to rediscount cotton paper at the Federal reserve banks at a much lower rate than six per cent."

Under the law the Federal reserve poard in Washington has a right to determine the rate of interest which is the Federal reserve banks can charge French or Norwegian flags. British member banks on notes or loans se

fering from too much money. The money market in New York is one and three-quarters per cent for call mon ey; two and one-quarter per cent fo sixty days; two and one-half per cent for ninety days, and three and one-quarter per cent for six month The tide of gold coming in from Europe for the purchase of supplies threat-

ens to overwhelm them. The banks of New York alone hold a reserve of over six hundred million dollars, four hundred and twenty-five million dollars of which is in gold. One year ago we were complaining of the enforced shipments of gold to Europe for the purchase of American securities, and he stock exchange was closed to pre-

vent a panic. Now New York does not want Europe to ship any more gold o pay for supplies here, but is trying to arrange a great credit for Europe of a billion dollars, based upon Ameri can securities and government obli gations, so as to maintain the rate of foreign exchange and afford a basis

for the purchase of supplies. Representatives of France and England are and ship it. As the demand for cotton on their way to New York now for this ourpose, and I was told in New York hat the government and the Federal

The south is greatly interested in reserve board would be asked to co the maintenance by the United States week. Reports yesterday said that she operate in arranging this credit for the of cotton's character as free and not was resting well.

maintenance of our foreign trade. If contraband. The suggestion that Enghat be true, then it will not be diffiland will sustain the price of cotton is cult to arrange for the purchase of 'buncombe." England has all she can sufficient quantity of cotton to establish do to pay for the food stuffs, munifair price, in line with the suggest tions of war and raw materials needed tion I made to President Wilson on by her. It may sound well to talk August 5th, for the use of a portion about her sustaining the cotton markof this credit in securing cotton for She will not and cannot do i et. the Allies. The important thing is but the United States can sustain this that the producer should get the benemarket by insisting that shipments of fit, and not the middle-men, who have cotton be permitted in accordance been getting all of the profit for the

with existing international rules. past thirty years out of our crop. It It is foolish for the citizens goes without saying that the Federal America and particularly of the south administration has ample power to to let sympathy for England and her carry out the promises which they Allies go so far as to suffer them to lestroy the prosperity of the south. The south's demand that there be no I do not think that technically, exinterference with the shipment of cot cept for the temporary interruption of ton is just and should be enforced by foreign exports, cotton has ever been our government.-Greenville Piedmo in such a strong position. I am thor-

oughly satisfied that the close of the Nitrate of Soda for Fruit Trees. war will find the world short of cotton, After experimenting for a number o and that prices will go as abnormally ears, the New Jersey agricultural exhigh as they have been low. I do b eriment station announces the results lieve, however, that there is a concerted obtained at the experimental orchard movement, just as there was last fall n the grounds of the New Jerse to force just as much of the present Craining school. Several plots in this crop out of the hands of weak holders orchard have received only fertilizers as possible, and I wish to warn our supplying potash and phosphoric acid people against being caught by sussince the trees were set in 1907. Thes picious reasoning and making a sacplots have always made a much poor rifice of their cotton. Secretary Heser growth and have given much smal er tells us that the spinners of the ler yields than those receiving nitro world manufactured into cloth and gen in addition to the potash and phos other commercial articles during the phoric acid. The plots which have no past year 14,133,000 bales of cotton. If received nitrogen have made scarcely any growth the last two years, and much reserve cotton on hand, and the appear yellow and sickly. stocks of manufactured goods in Ger

Last year it was decided to apply many, Russia, France and the Orien nitrate of soda, at the rate of 200 must be at a minimum. The tremend pounds to the acre, across one-half of ous amount of gun powder, every all these plots. The result was mos pound of which is forty per cent cotstriking. The sections that received ton, it is estimated, has taken up the nitrate of soda are now dark green, something like three million bales of there is average twig growth of at cotton. The replenishment of reduced least 12 inches, and the trees are well stocks of manufactured and raw maloaded with green fruit of large size. terial is sure to create, sooner or later The sections which received only the great demand for a crop that may small farms. potash and phosphoric acid have made fall five million bales below the re only an inch or two of growth at the

quirements of the world. The mills in tips of the twigs. The foliage is yelthis country are running on full time, low and there is very little fruit upon have a monopoly in this great home the trees, market which no protective tariff has

ever been able to afford, and their re Walter Johnson, a white man, quirements during the past year were nder arrest in Greenwood county, J. G. Percival of East White street

five hundred thousand bales greate charged with violating the gallon-athan the year before, and for thi nonth law. It is charged that Johnyear will be correspondingly increased. These are facts which cannot be dis-

son had three gallons of whisky ship- Miss Alma Holler, who has been ill

Chester Reporter, Aug. 30: A mar riage license was issued Saturday by Probate A. W. Wise, to Mr. S. F. Jeffares of Halseville, and Miss Fanny Belle Lipford of Fairfield county Mr. Charles Smith and Miss Ruth Colvin, both of this city, were married yesterday evening at the Catholic Presbyterian church, Rev. R. R. Brown fficiating The end of Wylie street near the S. A. L. depot remains closed on account of the temporary injunction secured last week by Mr. E. H. Hardin restraining the city authorities from completing the bithulithic work unless they lower a certain elevation in the street. The city attorney will go before Judge Moore at Lancaster Thursday and endeavor to have the

injunction dissolved The supreme court in a decision Friday by Associate Justice D. E. Hydrick, affirmed the verdict of the Fairfield court for \$2,400, secured by J. W. Booth against the J. G. White Engineering company for "actual and punitive damages." Booth was employed by the engineering company at Parr Shoals, and he was hit by a stray bullet during a fight in the

mess hall, which was operated by the company..... One of the most valuroad. able and historic pieces of real estate offered for sale in Chester county in years will be placed upon the market of the this fall, when the executors estates of the late Mr. Wm. H. Hardin and Miss Fanny Moore, offer for sale the big Moore plantation between Rodman and Lewis. The plantation was the home of Dr. Thomas Moore one of the signers of the Ordinance of

In the whiligig of time a grandson Secession, and in an earlier day was of von Borcke married a great niece the home of Gen. Mills of Revolutionof General Reynolds. This young von ary fame. On the main chimney of Borcke is an officer in the German the two-story dwelling-house are service, and he and his wife were in carved the figures "1808," which inthe German stronghold in China when dicate the age of the building. The it was captured some time ago by the place is one of the large old ante-bellum plantations, but will be cut into Japanese.

The captors separated the von Borckes, and although they are only a few miles apart, and a child has

Rock Hill Record, Aug. 30: Miss been born to Mrs. von Borcke since Cecil Byers left this morning for High the separation, the father and mother Point, N. C., where she has accepted have not been permitted to see one position with the telephone company another. there..... The many friends of Mrs

will be glad to learn that she is still Mamie Jones, a negress, was shot and instantly killed in Belton, Anderimproving..... The many friends son county, by Lawrence Earle, also ed to a point in Greenwood county in with diphtheria for several weeks, will colored. After the shooting the nebe glad to learn that she has entirely gro made his escape

Lemuel Sanders, used it for many years while he was a constable in this county prior to the formation of Gaston, which was in 1846 or 1847. It is in a splendid state of preservation and Mr. Sanders still uses it part of the time. Lancaster News, Aug. 31: Rev. W.

His

140 years old.

grandfather.

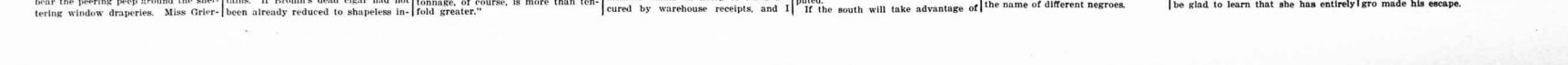
S. Patterson, Mr. and Mrs. W. H. Millen and Miss Lillian Robinson from the Lancaster A. R. P. church, and Mr. and Mrs. J. E. Craig and Mr. Arthur Robinson of the Shiloh church, have returned from Gastonia, where they attended the Linwood convention of the A. R. P. church, held at Linwood college Those who heard the splendid sermon preached by Rev. D. E. Hough of Charlotte, at the Presbyterian church Sunday morning, enjoyed a real treat. The scholarly discourse, the ease with which it was delivered, the convincing logic of this sermon on faith, made a profound impression. There were many old friends in the congregation, many relatives also, and they were pleased to find that this native Lancasterian is such a force for good in the calling to which he has dedicated his life and talents. Mr. Hough is a son of the late Amos Hough and Mrs. Lizzie Hough, who lives only four miles from Lancaster and here the young man was reared.

Several who heard him preach had been his comrades in boyhood when he attended the Lancaster Graded school. Mr. Hough afterwards finished the academic and theological courses at Erskine college, Due West.....In response to the invitation to those interested to meet at school No. 2, last night, there was a gratifying attendance and much interest was manifested in the proposal to organize a night school. Superintendent Lingle, Mr. Claud N. Sapp and Mrs. W. E. Taylor outlined the plans and purposes of the work to be undertaken and forty or more men and women signified their intention of joining the classes. Beginning Monday night, September 13, the classes will be held three nights each week.

A Trick of Time .- Announcement of the unveiling on Memorial day of the bronze portrait of Major General John Fulton Reynolds, who was killed at Gettysburg, has served to bring to light an interesting occurrence of the present war, says the Philadelphia Public Ledger. The Reynolds' memorial is to be placed in Reynolds park, at Snyder avenue and Passyunk

During the civil war there served on the staff of the Confederate cavalry leader, General J. E. B. Stuart, a gallant German named von Borcke. He was a dashing, showy officer, who came to America out of the love of good fighting, and after the war wrote a book about his military experiences

in this country.



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