## BROKE HLA UP

Bel Merrit Blames John D. Rockeand a Preacher for

#### FINANCIAL

Says the Preacher Induced Him to and That Rockefeller Took Advan-

All His Stocks and Bonds.

Alfred Merritt, of Duluth, Minn., vestigating committee today that stream. through loans of less than \$1,000,000 mines and the railroad's properties

today as high as \$700,000,000. Merritt declared that he was in- by the rushing currents. duced through F. D. Gates, Mr. Rockefeller's secretary, "in charge of his charitable work," to put up all his holdings as collateral for loans from Mr. Rockefeller in 1892 and Cthers were for various sums. Gates, he said, was a Baptist preacher in assured him that by placing a call have been drowned. loan he would not be pressed and that he would be taken care of.

The witness related how, two months after he had put up his col- Before Death Admitted He Killed His that the promoters have overlooked lateral with Mr. Rockefeller, during the panic of 1893, Rockefeller called the lean, giving him 24 hours to raise \$420,000 and that being unable to oil king told financiers 'to kee

by the Rockefeller interests. Subsequently, Rockefeller paid him the

Before this settlement and after Rockefeller wanted him to continue as president of the road for another

"Was that the Baptist preacher Gates who came to you" asked Chairman Stanley.

"Yes," Merritt replied. "He said Mr. Rockefeller had confidence in me, and knew that I, through my ac-

felled, didn't he?" the chairman in- George, "to save his soul." terrupted.

were involved and with difficulty employed. were drawn from the witness. Representative Beall of Texas finally summed the matter up:

"You do know this, then, ' said Mr. Beall, "before you dealt with John D. Rockefeller, you and your

brother had valuable stockholdings in the Lake Superior ore region and in this railroad and after your dealings with him you had no stock?" "Yes, that's it," said Mr. Merritt.

& Northern railroad which last year made \$8,000,000, and that now I have nothing." "I am inclined to blame the A Man and a Woman Love Their preacher more than I am Rockefeller. He deceived me. I don't blame Rock-

efeller so much. He belongs to the money trust."

in my interest to develop the prop- were pitched out oo their heads, suf- installments, one not earlier than pill given to her for some minor ail- the legislative "kinks." but he has userty. I was only a lumberjack and fering injuries from which they died December 1, 1912, and the other two ment lodged in her windpipe and ed this time in addition to becoming woodman, unused money trust ways. a few minutes later. Many a Western man has had a similar experience in New York."

cated that he would be very glad to be required to send the contract de- their purchases of fertilizer at the hear from Mr. Rockefeller on the scribed. matter, Mr. Beall made a motion that "I am sure Mr. Rockefeller would thinks, will lead to a reduction in seriously hurt when fire destroyed officers in the army and navy, and Newberry Cotton Mills, was on his mite and he be served with a subpoena duces be glad to comply with any request," acreage and will put the farmers in the plant of the J. Baums Safe and with his rank, efficiency and acquaint- way to the city to buy a speed scum. George Wellman Murray said Mr. Murray.

#### PLUNGE INTO RIVER

A TRAIN IN FRANCE FALLS THROUGH A BRIDGE.

Thirty or More Passengers Lost Their Lives by Drowning Before They Could Be Saved.

Many passengers, it is estimated lost their lives when a train plunged Borrow Money From Rockefeller, into the river Thougt Thursday morning, owing to the breakdown of a railroad bridge on the State Railway tage of Him and Fleeced Him of at Montereuil-Bellay, in the department of the Maine-Et-Loire, France. The train, which had started from Angers, was traveling to Poitiers..

It carried about 100 passengers. the first president of the Duluth, Mis- While it was crossing the bridge over sabe & Northern Railway, who styled the Thouet, the structure, which had rather doubtful how the farmers of the depot waiting for the arrival of says when Senator Tillman returns of her powers and double the ownhimself a "lumberjack unacquainted been greatly weakened by recent with the methods of the money floods, broke down, crashing with the New York syndicate to lend \$25 a painful but not serious injuries by remain there. He has been quite trust," told the house steel trust in- whole of the cars into the swollen

Many of the passengers who sucfrom John D. Rockefeller he had lost cee'ed in getting out of the cars

All the beats in the locality had so that it was impossible for the people of the neighborhood to assist much in the work of rescue.

No exact information is yet available as to the number of victims or helping the farmers to secure a fair as to those rescued, but it is bewhom he had confidence and who lieved that between fifty and sixty

BEATTIE CONFESSES GUILT.

Young Wife.

Henry Clay Beattie, Jr., was elec-

ous of standing right before God and man, do on this, the 23rd day of published concerning the details was not true but the awful fact, without the harrowing circumstances, resorry, and, believing that I am at ground of misrepresentation of the peace with God and am soon to pass value of mining properties turned in into His presence, this statement is

Beattle's confession was followed Merritts \$525,000 in the settlement by this statement by the attending

### PRAYED FOR GUIDANCE

Then Slew Her Husband She Says to

"The Rev. Dr. Gates seemed to be lite or die of the events which led serving the Lord and John D. Rocke- up to her killing her husband,

"But I refused the offer,' Merritt sail, George began to stay out late answered emphatically. "I told Gates at night. She suspected another wothat I could not retain my manhood, man, she said, but was not sure unti and work for John D. Rockefeller." he saw George with this woman-The intricacies of the transactions the cashier at the store where he was

"I want to emphasize further that hand she would keep him from viobefore I dealt with Rockefeller I had lating the seventh commandment and 1-10 interest in the Duluth, Missabe thereby save his soul.

#### TWO KILLED IN AUTO.

Lives in Atlanta.

Charles Griffin of Atlanta and Mrs. A. E. Ne'son of Birmingham were this plan: I will be glad to see any-"What reason did Rockefeller have killed in Atlanta Thursday night in thing succeed that will insure us a way of a trolley car, swerved and ran better knowledge of its details, if it "He wanted that property. I am into a telephone pole. Three other meets my approval, I will give it my convinced that he sent the hands off" members of the party escaped without heartiest support and cooperation." notice to financiers with whom I hiury. The accident occurred on the Mr. Dabbs also explained the actried to raise money to redeem my "death curve" of Peachtree street. tion taken Tuesday at a meeting of engineers, field artillery and possibly importance. Long service, too, appeals to them to get out and do large quantities of cotton have property. He told financiers in Cleve- The headlight of the troller car, it the Farmers' Union called to discuss land whom I approached that the is said, blinded Charles Brady, the the fertilizer situation. The result property he got for \$10 a share was negro chauffeur of the automobile, of the meeting was a recommendation not worth \$5, and I could not get a causing him to lose control of his that the farmers buy no fertilizer car. When the machine struck a tel- for 1912 except on this condition six-year-old child of Mrs. Lawrence the Senate to find out how to "work come to the cotton fields, where they Sheffield, Ale., shot and /I put too much faith in these men ephone pole Griffin and Mrs. Nelson that the payment be made in three Dudley, met a tragic death, when a the machine" or to eath on to all are needed.

counsel for Mr. Rockefeller, objected the business agents of the union, After Chairman Stanley had indi- and suggested that Mr. Rockefeller that the farmers be conservative in

# THAT LOAN PLAN

President of State Farmers Union Does Not Think It Necessary

Says He Hopes That It Will be Help, Has Already Been Achieved, But It All Depends on the Farm-

Carolina. Its success will depend, he said, upon whether the planters em- struck by the moving engine. brace the offer of the syndicate. He his holdings in the Missahe Iron through the windows tried to save also said that he could not see any themselves by clinging to the tops of noticeable effect of the syndicate's the Orangeburg train for Florence, Washington when the session opens she left here one week ago last Satnow owned by the United Steel cor- trees which showed above the surface scheme, as he thought the main de- and while waiting for the arrival of in a few weeks. coration and estimated to be worth of the water. In most cases, how- sideratum to be obtained by the plan, ever, they were quickly washed away in his estimation, had already been obtained through action by the Farm-

Nevertheless, if the plan seems to examine its details, he will lend it his heartiest support. He hopes, he said, that it will prove successful in rice for their cotton.

"While I do not wish to throw cate's plan of advancing \$25 per bale on the South's cotton crop," said Mr. Dabbs Tuesday night, "I do think ly. ed out to C. S. Barrett, president of the National Farmers' Union, is the trocuted in the state penitentiary at question whether the farmers will member from each State should con-

tilizer at high prices. Will make for

prevent the sacrifice of cotton to pur- carried back to Binghampton. plished by this means without the proposition made by the syndicate.

"I should like to see the plan succeed, but I fear it will not take with for Lake Michigan. the Southern planters.

"I am not at all antagonistic to

This recommendation, with that of is prostrated over the tragedy.

#### STRUCK BY ENGINE

YOUNG MAN KILLED BY COAST LINE AT SCRANTON.

### Running Across the Track to Catch

a Train and Was Run Over by Ex-

At Scranton Mr. Grover Turner, the eighteen-year-old son of Mr. R. F. But He Believes That Its Object Turner, a prosperous and influential farmer of Hannah Postoffice, in the lower section of Florence County, was knocked down and instantly killed Wednesday at about 12 o'clock by an extra Atlantic Coast Line engine going North. Mr. J. R. Powell, E. W. Dabbs, president of the of Mailory, and Mr. J. F. Creel, of South Carolina Farmers' union, is Appalacholia, Fla., were standing at ler from Columbia Col. August Kohn the State will receive the plan of the the Orangeburg train and received to Washington it is his purpose to er's sum. bale upon the cotton crop of South the body of young Turner being active for some time on his farm at for several days, including Fair thrown against them when it was Trenton and this out of door work Week, and it is stated that she had

Scranton Wednesday morning to take enough to undertake the work at where she is, it is stated that when ran towards the depot, going diag- him.

Magistrate O. S. Baldwin at once body stated that death probably was

was stated that young Mr. Turner one. friends in that part of the country Senator Cullom is a very old man, was a source of great sorrow and be-linger was born in 1837, Senator

KILLED WOMAN AND CHILDREN. Story of Cruelty Confirmed by Chi-

even without the trustee movement. A cablegram from Peking, China, members of the Senate hought, would lead the planters to sion children. Mr. Beckman was will change the majority of the Sen

WANTED FOR WIFE MURDER.

ing their acreage and cutting down A dispatch from Binghampton, N. and is now chairman of "Five Civilizheir purchases of fertilizers, will so Y., says William Emerson, sought by ed Tribes of Indians," which gives surtail production that another ex- detectives and police throughout the him a clerk and messenger. If the cessive crop is unlikely. This, then, country for the alleged murder of his Democrats should gain control of the 'isposed of one object of holding the wife at Endicott, N. Y., on Sept. Senate, which is altogether likely. cotton by the trustee system. This 8, lies dead in Allendale, S. C., ac- this would make Senator Tillman condition seems to prevail wherever cording to a dispatch received from chairman of perhaps the most impor-"Now as to the success of the alleged murderer. Death, according the committee of appropriations p'an. It depends, as I intimated be- to the message, was caused by ma- which handles the billion dollars that fore, on whether the farmers will larial fever. The dispatch says that are annually expended by the Felerembrace the offer of the financiers. Emerson had been traveling through al Government. As a matter of fact 'So far, I can see no notable ef- the South under the assumed name the Democrats want Senator Tillman e Hayes, the other woman, she said, 'ect. The action of the Farmers' Un- of James White. Becoming ill sev- for this position and now defer to ion business agents and the action eral weeks ago, he was cared for by him in many matters that come bewe took at Sumter yesterday will the Masonic order. The body will be fore the committee, of which he is

a trained sea lion flopped through a both branches in any one year and acreage, I do not think that the window pane and into an alley, never got into the appropriation bill. planters will readily embrace the When it felt the snow and smifed the At a meeting of the committee last cold air, it appeared in its natural year while the matter of pppropriatelement and started at a lively gait ing funds for fisheries was under dis-

#### Soldiers Sent to China.

The fifteenth infantry will prob-San Francisco. The regiment will be general appropriation bill, and this calling for aid for the storm sufferers the excessive rains of the propriation bill, and this calling for aid for the storm sufferers the excessive rains of the propriation bill, and this calling for aid for the storm sufferers the excessive rains of the propriation bill, and this calling for aid for the storm sufferers the excessive rains of the propriation bill, and this calling for aid for the storm sufferers the excessive rains of the propriation bill, and this calling for aid for the storm sufferers the excessive rains of the propriation bill, and this calling for aid for the storm sufferers the excessive rains of the propriation bill, and this calling for aid for the storm sufferers the excessive rains of the propriation bill, and this calling for aid for the storm sufferers the excessive rains of the propriation bill, and this calling for aid for the storm sufferers the excessive rains of the propriation bill, and this calling for aid for the storm sufferers the excessive rains of the propriation bill, and this calling for aid for the storm sufferers the excessive rains of the propriation below the propriation of the propriation of the propriation below the propriation of the propriation reinforced to full war strength and is the way things are often done and on the islands and in the city while eral days. These rains have be accompanied by a hospital corps, why a chairmanship is of so much for some months we have seen the general throughout the coun

#### Girl Choked With Pill.

at intervals of not less than 30 days, could not be removed. The mother familiar with the legislative machin-

#### Two Children Fatally Hurt.

a better position to hold their cotton. Lock Company at 617 Front street. | ance, if the Democrats should gain thread.

# WILL BE ON HAND

Senator Berj R. Til man Ready for His Duties at Washington,

# HE IS VERY MUCH ALIVE

He Has Benefitted by Work on His and Plans to Stay in Washington During the Entire Winter Ses-

In a letter to The News and Cour-

the train, young Turner went to Mr. | Senator Tillman is not saying any- too. The police are looking for her R. B. Cannon's stables, a short dis- thing about his re-election, because and a warrant is out for her arrest, tance from the depot, to leave his he takes that for granted, and if issued by the Magistrate's Court. horse and buggy, and while at the nothing occurs between now and the livery stables the extra engine ran next primary his name will; of course. supernatural power and among other dent, politician, financier, liter good to him when he has had time up, going North, and Mr. Turner be before the voters and he has no accomplishments, resulting from this and gentleman. Dr. Schurman hearing and thinking it was the train, doubt that the people will re-elect awnership and understanding of the

onally across the main line of the It is a long time since March, 1895, to the public that she could double a Atlantic Coast Line in front of the when Senator Tillman took his seat sum of money if left with her by engine. He was struck by the moving in the United States Senate. Of the means of "visions" or some of the engine when in about one hundred group that went into the Senate at other numerous ways of the dark and cold water on the New York syndi- and fifty feet from the depot and his that time but very few remain, and unknown powers which she claims to body was thrown through the steps the associates of Senator Tiliman at have. of the depot, death resulting instant- that time who remain are: Senator Bacon, Martin and Nelson.

empanelled a jury and held an in- is a very "close corporation," and it Mme. Gordon, who would work the quest and the following verdict was is perhaps the one organization where "rabbit foot" on it and the trick rendered: "That the deceased came seniority counts most. Once in a would be turned. Now it is charged to his death by running in front of while a shining light breaks in and that, lured by this promise, several Richmond, Va., Friday at 7:23 a. m. embrace the offer of the Northern Atlantic Coast Line Religion Coast L lost their property. He admitted that One minute after the shock he was syndicate. I suggested to him that Pany." Physicians who are all property and precedence of generations, but work this charm upon, One minute after the shock he was proposed pany." Physicians who examined the this is most unusual. Senator Tillcaused by concussion of the brain and that is in length of service. The Un- cess, so it is said, and since then she The remains were carried home are: Senators Cullion, Lodge, Dal- tised quite extensively her powers in Wednesday afternoon, a distance of linger, Perkins, Clark, of Wyoming, the papers and drew a good trade, actwo miles and was buried Thursday and Warrin, and then comes the cording to those who have been inat the family burying ground. It group of which Senator Tillman is vestigating this case,

had a large number of relatives and Of course, as every one knows, ANOTHER LYNCHING BREWING. and his untimely and tragic death being 82 years of age. Senator Gal- Two White Women Attacked by the Tillman was born in 1847, which

serv strong tendency on the part of who have arrived from that city. Dur- so much value at this time and the the farmers to reduce their acreage ing the fighting in Sian Fu a mob at- possibilities of his service of ever so next year. The knowledge that there tacked the China inland mission, lo- much more value. The changing of were 2.000.000 bales of cotton that cated outside of the city. They mur-three Senators, that is the election might be carried over until the next dered Mrs. Beckman, who is said to of three Democrats instead of three see the futility of excessive product wounded, but escaped, saving an in- ate from Republican to Democratic fant. The surviving foreigners were and in that event Senator Tillman "This purpose, however, I think, sheltered by Chinese Christians and would by right of being the ranking has been subserved by the present subsequently departed eastward to- Democratic member have the choice of the chairmanship of one of several of the most important committee of

agents of the Farmers' Union in their Dies at Allendale Over in Barnwell committees of appropriation, naval afthe ranking minority member.

Just a little incident to show how things go, For many years a bill was pending either in the House or Senate providing for a fish batchery cussion, although there was no bill before either the House or Senate. Senator Tillman suggested that he wanted a fishery for this State and wanted \$25,000. The other members of the committee concurred and aboard the transport Thomas from 000 was simply incorporated in the makes such things easy to do.

ery making friends, and the people in about eight years, was struck and Washington, regardless of political af- killed by a freight car on the Southfiliations, all testify to the high re-ern Railway, in Newberry Tues-At Cincinnati, two children were gard in which Senator Tillman is held day afternoon. The little boy, the tered es present prices, if followed, Mr. Dabbs fatally injured and a number of men by the officials, as well as by the son of Mrs. Josephine Taylor, of the de

### MADAME GORDON GONE

COLUMBIANS CLAIM TO BE FLEECED BY CLAIRVOYANT.

They Gave Her Money to Double for

Them and She Carried It Off With

The Columbia correspondent of

The News and Courier says Mme Farm, Feels Able for Long Seige, Velva Gordon, chairvoyant and possessor of the hidden secrets, who made promise of being able to double one's money if left in her possession, has departed for parts unknown, alleged to be carrying along with her funds belonging to certain persons. which funds were left in her possession upon which to work the charm

She held forth on Main street here has no doubt been of great benefit to something like \$2,000 belonging to All of the gentlemen went to him, and he feels able and strong other people. While it is not known urday she headed towards Charles-

Mme. Gordon claimed to possess

Thus if a person had \$200 and wanted to make it \$400, all that per-The Senate, as every one knows, son had to do was to leave it with

Same Negro Flend.

Another attempted outrage by a negro upon a white woman occurred South is the home of conservat at Costesville, Pa., and a few hours and sticks close to the old lands later the same negro, it is believed by as hewed out by the fathers in the police officials, attempted to hold early days of the Republic. up Mrs. Fred Russell, who was driving near where the first attack oc- casion to speak on currency pi

The intended victim of the negro seems to me, is a question as the first instance was the wife of a tant as the spread of any part mill worker of Coatesville. She party or belief. The current ought the man off after having been United States is a relic of wice thrown to the ground. As she It is founded on bonds in was fast losing her strength, a car- assets, which can be quickly re riage driven by Miss Johanna Irwin upon. During times of fi came into view and the negro left his stress each bank hoards every intended victim and disappeared into possible, letting every other in the woods . The search for the negro tion go to smash rather than was kept up until dark but no trace risk financial disaster.

A short time later, as Mrs. Russell rency, such as that possess was driving on the same road. a ne- France, England and Germany, for gro jumped out and brandishing a those countries when money is no revolver, attempted to catch the it is sent to the places where the horse by the bridle. Mrs. Russell gestion occurs. When things gave the animal a cut with the whip dull, it is withdrawn and sent to

control of the Senate the people of tinue to hold it, regardless of circ this State can hardly estimate of how stances. A country cannot atta

Of course, Senator Tillman is not ditions." as vigorous nor as strong as he has been, but he is able to be up and with Cornell University for two about; to make speeches, though Dr. five years, and during that time Babcock advises him not to do it; to been signally honored several say what he wants; to dictate let- by presidents of the United States ers; to attend committee meetings, ing head of the first Philippine and to "kick" whenever it may be mission, as well as holding place necessary, and these things count for a number of other influentia, be much in official life in Washington. As an author he is well-known in where speech-making is more largely English-speaking countries, while ntended for outside consumption professor of mental and moral

It is just as well for the people of wonderful reputation. South Carolina to understand what A member of the Phi Beta I the conditions are with regard to fraternity he was educated in Lor Senator Tillman and his rank among and Edinburgh, receiving his de the Democrats, the disadvantage of as master of arts and doctor of changing horses and what his sphere ence from the University of of usefulness may amount to if he burgh in 1878. In addition to continues in his present health and he studied in Heidelburg, Be the Democrats continue to hold on Gottengen, Germany, and in to what they have, to say nothing of Columbia University conferre gaining control of the Senate, and its degree of doctor of laws up greater possibilities. Committee in 1882, and he is honorary fell work counts for more in the United the University College, of Londo States than in any legislatic assembly

than it is for results.

### Come to the Cotton Fields.

the work that is waiting on them in Of course, Senator Tillman with every community around them and his quickness has not needed the it would not be necessary for them to At Tifton, Ga., Pauline Duffey, the eighteen years that he has been in appeal for charity. Why don't they

#### Lad Crushed to Death.

The President of Cornell Unit Which He Touched on Politics. Currency, Socialism and Other M

ters of Interest.

Dr. Jacob G. Schurman, preside of Cornell University, and one of t most notable figures in the educati al world, was in Atlanta for a she time Thursday, being tendered luncheon at the University Club the local alumni of Cornell. If speech following the luncheon Schurman uttered a significant wa ing in regard to the spread of ism in America and predicted

the conservatism of the South wor work the country's salvation. Governor John M. Slaton in duced the guest of honor as one had "demonstrated his ability to the role of the modern college pr gan by telling of his attendance at Bankers' Convention in New Orle where he delivered a speech, shortly afterward delved into poll speaking warmly of his fellow-

lege president, Woodrow Wilco

Princeton University. "I have been in every se the United States during the past months and have had opportus study the political situation ti oughly," said he. 'It seems to that political conditions are und ing a radical change—that returning to the discarded the and ideas of 2,000 years ago. cialism is gaining in every section the union, save in the south. In ors are at the head of many m

palities. The north is under "In the South alone have I fo hat same spirit of conservative ssiveness which marked the s enimating the founders of our c try. The South will be the salv of our country, for from it will se the right kind of conservatism, br ing back the erring sections t realization of their mistake.

"While in New Orleans I had

"I strongly advocate an elastic er places where it is needed. I the banks holding the money,

proper development under such Dr. Schurman has been conn osophy at Cornell he has gain

The negroes of Charleston are still heavy lossage in cotton

Chief of Police Fred coe Johnson and Lewis Cl ly Thursday when they at rescue John Comman from J. B. Taylor, a white lad of McGregor surrendered.