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### **BLOOD SHED**

Cruel Cossacks.

#### ATTACK MAIL WAGON.

Which Causes the Body of Cossacks to Shoot Indiscriminately-Near Wound Nine in Bold Attack on Railroad Office Under Guard. Innocent People Killed.

eight workmen, of Kuttner's Spinning Mills, were shot down Friday morning by a patrol of Cossacks because a band of terrorists attacked a mail wagon in the neighborhood, killed a Cossack guard and wounded another Cossack and two postoffice

While the wagon was passing through Longkowa street the terrorists suddenly appeared from a side cort, seized \$1,000 from the wagon

rushed into the Kuttner factory, robbery occurred, and began firing tune. indiscriminately, killing 21 and wounding over 44 persons.

The greatest indignation prevails at Lodz, as it is claimed that the employees of the factorn had nothing to do with the attack on the mail

#### Raid Railway Office. Warsaw, Russian Poland,

band of terrorists held up the city office of the Vistula Railroad, on Dulga street, at 10 o'clock Friday morning and got away with \$5,000 after a severe fight in which four persons were killed and nine wound-

The office was full of people at the time, and soldiers were guarding the premises, but terrorists attacked them with revolvers, killed two and wounded four of the guards before they reached the place where the money was kept.

Then snatching up a bag containing \$5,000 the men ran out of the of-fice. The soldiers fired at the fleeing terrorists, but only succeeded in hit ting some bystanders, two of whom were killed and five wounded.

#### IMPRISONED IN AUTO.

Three Women Have Narrow Escape From Possible Death.

Practically imprisoned in a runaway automobile, three women had a 10,000 acres of land. They tried to narrow escape from possible death interest the bogus lord in a trade. at Bryn Mawr, Pa., recently. The machine, a big touring car

railroad, gathering momentum as it were numbered in England. The women, seated in the in rear of the car, were unable to reach Hamilton: the mechanism to shut off the power, and to jump means serious injury or

100 yards the machine swerved from Could you led me have a few hunthe roadway and crashed into the dreds or so?' stone wall that abuts the sides of the 'Hamilton road at this point. The iron rail along the wall was broken down and railing and held fast.

The women, frightened to the the floor of the car, but sustained no \$2,250. painful injuries.

SAVED THEIR COMRADES.

#### Thrilling Experience in the Hold of a Burning Oil Barge. At New York half a score of fire-

men risked their lives in saving six of their comrades who had been overcome by smoke in the hold of a burning oil barge lying at a pier in the Hudson river.

Six had gone into the hold when they thought the fire had been overcome and were cutting away a partition when a terrific burst of flames and smoke swept through the open ing and enveloped them.

The men dropped unconscious and the flames were pouring over them whn their comrades braving the fire and choking smoke, rescued them rescued men were seriously

#### burned but will recover.

#### BABY IN PAWN. The Mother Must Pay Debt To Get Her Chila.

A little baby boy, Johnny Knieks, is held at Berkkley, Cal., for a debt of \$87.50, which the mother must pay before she can get her little one of pawn. This is the ultimatum of Mrs. Jesus Alcantara, who, while caring for the boy while his mother was away learned to love him as her own child.

Mrs. Knicks came to the conclusion that she wanted her boy with Ther again and tried to get posession of the child. But Mrs. Alcantara was firm. "No money, no child," she said. and now the courts have been called upon to decide as to the proper disposal of the boy.

#### SEQUEL OF AN OUTRAGE.

#### Miss Nevada Taylor Dies as Result of Nervous Trouble.

Miss Nevada Taylor who was criminally assaulted near Chattanooga by Edward Johnson, a ntgro on January 19, for which crime the negro was on the rock pile by Mayor Dorsey lynched, died at her childhood home of Macon, Ga. Findlay Ohio, of nervous trouble brought about by the crime. case has become a celebrated one. The supreme court of the United States now has Sheriff Shipp, several of his deputies and others under a of his deputies and others under a ordered his son not to play but the charge of contempt as a result of the latter disobeyed and was even the

# OLD SWINDLER DEAD. WILL SAVE LIFE

"Lord Beresford."

#### He Left a Trail of Wives-Clover Australian, Lascelles, Hoodwinker

The body of Henry Asquith, of Norfolk, which has been lying at the undertaking establishment of Noland. Brown & Co., of Asheville, N. C. waiting for it to be claimed by relatives, has been identified as the notorious bogus "Lord Beresford," alias Asquith, Hobson, Williams, Morris, etc. This identification was At Lodz, in Russiand oland, sixty- made by W. T. Cheney and Linton Dean, lawyers, of Rome, Ga., who arrived in Asheville a few days ago. Asquith's real name was Sidney Lascelles. He came to Asheville with physicians and nurses, whom he led o believe would be paid handsomely. Mr. Chaney says:

"Sidney Lascelles was born in Australia of parents comparitively well to do. He was given an excellent education, and when he reached his to do. street, opened fire on the Cossack es- majority was sent to England. There he made a hit, learned the ins and outs of society. He lived a fast life A moment later a patrol of Cos- and his funds soon ran out. While sacks arrived on the scene, and in- thus financially embarrassed, he confuriated by the fate of their comrades ceived a plan similar to that followed by the notorious bogus 'Lord which was near the spot where the Douglass' for recuperating his for

"Lascelles secured an Introduction to the American ambassador at Lon-don under the name of Beresford, posing as a cousin of the English lord of that name. He cultivated the acquaintance of the American ambassador and soon gained his confidence Beresford then represented to the ambassador that he was about to take a trip to America and around the many well known society people of America, including members of New Lascelles secured money and credit enough as a member of the Beresford family to buy a London wardrobe which was the wonder of New York. His clothes were copled and he became lionized by Goth am society. He was able, with com-parative little expense, to hold his wn, he was so constantly entertain-

ed in the American metropolis. 'After he had obtained entry into New York society and had obtained eredit of hundreds of thousands he decided to come South on a trip, armed with letters from well-known society people and business men. He went to Rome, Ga., where he represented himself as Lord Beresford, ome to America as a representative of an English syndicate in search of & Co., then the wealthiest in Rome, was at the time selling agent for

"Lord Beresford much interested, in the meantime colton, Jr., I doing the society stunt and paying Mrs. Colton, Harold Colton, Mrs. much attention to a young society May 1, 1907, 21 killed. Harrison Allen and her daughter, belle of that place. Beresford had If the experimenta drove up to the railroad station at the genuine Beresford coat-of-arms 8:30 o'clock. Mr. Colton and his son, on everything it could be placed. who had occupied the front seat. This coat-of-arms was on his private left the machine and entered the sta- check book on the Bank of England. One day he was explaining to Hamil-They had hardly dissapeared when the machine started off. It headed American and English systems of straight down the road that leads to banking. He showed his imposing the tunnel under the tracks of the check book and told how the checks

"'By the way, I have been in America for some time, and have run short of ready cash. I would like to After going a distance of about have a change, don't you know.

careless sort of way, he said to

"Hamilton & Co., mindful of the English syndicate and prospective trade, together with Beresford's letthe fore part of the car plunged over ters, opened the company safe, giv the gap. Luckly the rear wheels ing him the money in large denominations. With a careless thanks With a careless thanks Beresford thrust the money into the pocket of his trowers, and wrote out verge of hysterics, were thrown to a check on the Bank of England for

> The society stunt was kept up for about a week afterward, when the Lord Beresford dissapeared, having neglected to pay his hotel and other bills. It was then learned that Beresford had forgotten to return dia-mond rings and other tokens loaned

"Beresford went from place to place, carrying out his nefarious schemes, with sleuths close behind him. He married whenever a wife would be of any use to hif in carry ng out his schemes. It is known that he had at least sx or eight wive and probably many more times that number.

#### SOME GOOD ADVICE.

# liven the Negro Preachers by a Ne

In an address to the Virginia Ne

cro Baptist association, Rev. R. H.

towling, in speaking of the progres of the race, said: "It is, indeed, wonderful to see the amount of our people have given out of their means for their education and they continue daily to do this Let us through the ministry lift up the moral standard of our race. Let sich man be the husband of one wife, and a man with two living wives is unfit to preach the gospel I do not hesitate to make this asser tion, let it cut where it may. we must get rid of any man who would go around destroying homes instead of building them up, and de stroying the young girls of our race

for the hand that rocks the cradle cules the world." CURE WORSE THAN DISEASE.

The negro must pay attention to his

moral standing in this country, as

immoral people will never be recog-

nized. Let us protect our women

#### So-called Evangelist Whips His Little Son Nearly to Death.

Because he whipped his 12-year old son for playing baseball on Sun day, J. H. Arnold, a travelling re vivalist was sentenced to six month: The physicians testified that the The boy was lashed until the flesh was a pulp and that he might not recover Arnold said it was a deadly sin to

play baseball on Sunday and he had

captain of the team.

vent Sacrifice of Life in

### **COAL MINE HORRORS**

That So Frequently Occur in This Station is Assured. The Effect of Explosives on Gases Will Be Noted. Demonstration of Appara-

The fuel division of the Geological survey is planning to make a determined effort to stop the terrible sacrifice of life in the coal mines in the United States. In 1906, 500 lives were lost in Pennsylvania mines alone. European countries are far ahead of the country in matters rein mines and in caring for miners who are entombed, by entering the mine before the men have been smothered by dust or gases.

An experiment station will be es tablished in the mining region in the vicilty of Pittsburg, where tests of he various explosives used in blastng coal, will be made. The explointo a vast boiler-plate cylinder filled with gas, and the effects will be caresevere tests explosives will be known his breakfast Monday morning. s "permissible explosives," and their

ise will be urged. There will also be experiments in will be fitted as a miniature mine offered him letters of introduction to and miners and operators will be taught how to save lives. It is de-clared that hundreds of lives could be saved were it possible for the rescue party to enter the mine imme-As it is now fire damp often holds the men back for hours while their comrades are being suffocated or burned to death. Government ex perts have found an apparatus in enables them to enter where there is The use of the apparatus will e demonstrated.

Some of the recent mine explosions Red Ash, March 6, 1906, 24 killed Rush Run, March 18, 1906, 24

Bluefield Coal Dale mine, January 1906, 22 killed. Paint Creek, Detriot mine, Janu

ry 18, 1906, 18 killed. Favette County, Paral mine, Feb Philippi Century mine, March 25. 1906, 26 killed. Fayette county, Stuart mine, Jan-uary 29, 1907, 82 killed.

Whipple the experimental station is rected within the Pittsburg coal district natural gas will be used for Safety valves will esting purposes. be placed all along the top of the ylinder used in such a manner that thenever there is an explosion they will fly open. A series of port holes with one-half fuch glass will enable those conducting the ex-

periments to witness the explosions rom the observation house 60 feet

### NINE KILLED IN EXPLOSION

#### Premature Firing of Dynamite Near Alta Pass, N. C.

Saturday afternoon while a force f men were at work blasting or he South and Western railway on the works of McCarty Bros, near Al a Pass. N. C., an explosion occurred in which nine men were almost in stantly killed and four others were seriously if not fatally injured. The nen were all employers of the rail way company and were natives of the

Alta Pass section. The force had drilled for a long plast, and after placing the explosives in the blast hole, and as the force started to retreat, the dyna-mite fired prematurely and the men vere hurled in every direction. Those vho were killed were terribly mutilated , while the surviving workmen are badly brulsed and lacerated.

#### KILLED THEM.

#### Six Persons Fatally Poisoned by Drinking Fresh Milk. Six people are dead in Macon cour

y, Tennessee, as the result of drink-ng milk from a cow which is supposd to have been poisoned by eating

John Love, aged 70, and Harry loss, aged 15, died Thursday. Moss, father of Harry, and Noel Annie and Addie Love, children of ohn Love died last week. No others ire ill as all who drank the milk are low dead.

#### VERY STRANGE CASE.

#### Blade of Grass Goes Through The Lungs of Child.

At Warrenton, Ga., W. W. Pilcher has taken from the back of the little laughter of Mr. and Mrs. W. W. Deeen swallowed several days ago. The grass entered the wind pipe through the right lung, coming out

#### PATHETIC INCIDENT.

#### Bride and Groom Killed in the Same Accident.

One of the most pathetic of scene was caused by the wrecking of the train with the Shriners on it in California last week. It was the death of a bride and groom, at al- States building at Macon, Ga., struck most the same instant, each believ- D. M. Berry on the head Thursday ing the other still living. They were thrown from the coach on opposite to the floor breaking his neck and only eat captives but criminals who sides of the train. "Tell my wife that killing him almost instantly. The have been condemned to death. I am alright," murmered Ellenton to homicide occurred on territory of the the physician, "give her my love and the United State government and war- let me know how she is." Mrs. El- rant was issued from the United The smallest offenses, he says, are lenton in return sent a message of States court for Battle. Berry was punished with death in order to selove to her husband. Before it could 26 years old and leaves a young wife cure a constant supply for consumpbe carried the husband was dead.

### HORSE ATE GOLD

#### In the Streets of Lodz, Russia, by Body at Asheville is That of The Government Planning to Pre- That Was Stored Away in a Sack Senator Tillman Says He is the Some Charleston History Not of Wheat.

Have Horse Killed-Two Stable

Toodles, an aged roan gelding, who used to draw a wagon for the feed ity, might under ordinary circumthe present time he is very valuable viece of horseflesh. It is highly probable that if some one were to offer \$140 for him it would be peremptorily declined.

Pauline, Rose and Yetta, the young daughters of the owner of the horse, take the greatest interest in the aged beast for the reason that the suspee is carrying in his interior \$140 in gold coin that they have been saving for years. Yetta, the eldest, who is eventeen, and works at eigarmaking, lating to the preventation of disasters Rose, aged thirteen, had put by the remaining \$35.

They were in doubt about the best place in which to keep their hoard, and, after a consultation, decided that a bag of oats in the feed store would make an ideal hiding place for the gold. They went to the bag at intervals to count the coins, and were horrified Tuesday morning to find that the bag had dissapeared. girls went to the stable hands, two sives will be projected by a mortar polish young men, who informed the girls that they had taken that particular bag of oats to feed Toodles, and that a large part of it had gone to fully noted. If ignition fails after ward his supper Sunday night and

Then a veterinary surgeon called, and the girls suggested that There will also be experiments in he cut Toodles open in order to get escue work. One part of a station their gold. The father declared that he would not sacrifice the horse for the money, and a less heroic method

Then the young women sought the aid of the police and went to the 104 street station, where they wept opiously while telling the story to two Poles arrested, and this was done. They gave their names as Alexander Yesabitz and Rescio Zenkav-ich, and when they were arrained in he Harlem police court they were held in \$500 each for trial in special Some of the recent mine explosions gold coins in the oats bag, which they in one state. West Virginia, are as said they poured into the feed box

KILLED HER SON-IN-LAW.

#### The Tragedy Occurred While Man

Lay in Drunken Stupor. At Huntsville, Ala., angered because her son-in-law, Frank Albright, had come home drunk and run the family away from home, by his violent actions, Mrs. Mattle Connally a shotgun, as he lay in a drunken stupor on his bed.

The tragedy occurred in Maysville secured by the coroner's jury, Mrs. Connally has been lodged in jail, and Charlie Chadwick, a 16-year-old boy, has been put in jail as an accessory Albright was a merchant, about 30

ears old. He was drunk in Hunts ville Saturday and when he went nome that night he was violent. His wife and children fled, but the nother-in-law remained and sent 'hadwick to a neighbor's house for ammunition, with which she killed

the drunken man.
Mrs. Connally is 45 years of age, s divorced from her husband and is the mother of eleven children.

#### OLD MAN DIES.

#### Said to Be One Hundred and Twenty-Seven Years Old.

A dispatch from Spartanhurg to The State says Adam Frost, colored, said to be about 127 years old, died early Thursday morning between Cedar Springs and Rich Hill. within the last few days Adam Frost was in the best of health.

According to his own story, given i newspaper man a few weeks ago Adam Frost was born on Sullivan's Island in 1780. His first owner wa a man named Hunter, who sold him to Col. Drayton. Before the Civil War he was bought by Dr. Frost and the old negro lived with the Frost family until after the war.

During the Civil war the family of Dr. Frost refugeed to this county and located at Cedar Springs. The old building that was formerly used as he colored institute for the deaf, dumb and blind at Cedar Springs was built by Dr. Frost. When the Frost family returned to Charleston Adam remained in this county.

#### NEGROES HOLD UP NEGROES Highwaymen Arrested and Locked

# Up in the Jail.

Shoals, where the Drave company is of 10 cents. working on the big dam across Broad river a negro named Will Byars held up" another negro named Davis Petty, and relieved him of \$20. Byars used a .38 calibre revolver a persuader. Byars was carried to Gaffaey and lodged in jail. He also was bound over to court on the harge of selling whiskey. Beaugrine, a blade of grass that had has a brother who is also in jail for selling whiskey at the dam,

hrough the right lung, coming out just below the shoulder blade. The little girl had some hemorrhages, islands and compelled to disgorge islands and compelled to disgorge about the face and hands. Medical and was summoned, however, and three "simple one." This negro was three "simolaons." This negro was aid was summoned, however committed to jail by Magistrate Li-there were no serious results. gon of Blacksburg.

#### HOMICIDE IN MACON.

#### Tom Battle, Well Known Citizen, Kills D. M. Berry.

Tom Battle, a well known citizen and foreman on the new United with an iron bolt, knocking Berry having been married but six weeks. tion.

### BRYAN THE MAN.

# **Logical Candidate**

Their \$140 is Gone, Father Won't He Thinks that the Vice-Presidential Candidate Should Come From th South

"It fooks to me," said Senator Ben Tillman, of South Carolina, who passstore business of Isreal Wishnosskie, ed throu' Augusta on Thursday, "as to 1893 First avenue, New York if the Democrats will have to nominate Bryan for the presdency next stances bring \$17 at auction, but at year. He seems to be the only logical man. He will have as a running mate some substantial Southern man, probably Culberson of Texas, Hoke

the ticket the field will be split. It is a pity that we cannot have a Southern man firrt on the ticket, but conservative Democracy of the South understands that sectional pre judice has not sufficiently died out vet to remove a dangerous element

y to stop offering obsolete millionires for the vice presidency, especially when they have nothing but money to recommend them. I refer first time and Henry Gassaway Davis who ran with Parker. Mr. Bryan is a but of these we have no record. clean and able man, and has the con fidence of the people, although I do not sympathise with his theory of government ownership.

ranks of northern democrats looming up as a presidential possibility. The trouble with most Northern Demo-crats is that they have become ward

"Joe Bailey has been spoken of in presidency but he is down and out so far as politics is concerned. I do not believe that the charges against him a connection with the Standard Oil company are fect with the public. Bailey got into bad company and was found out.

"Mr. Roosevelt is very anxious to be president again and will be a canlidate if he can so manipulate the situation as to make the proposition come in accordance with his ideas is to how it should be brought about But he won't get the nomination if the Republican politicians can pre vent it

The Taft m seems to have sprung jointly between the white nouse and Ohio. So far as I am able to observe, it has not gone much further, either. I might say that the Foraker boom has not made very nuch progres. Vice President Fairbanks should not be overlooked as presidential possibility on the presidental platform. He is a strong do not think much of the Hughes boom.

#### ERRING PASTOR

# Who Met His Affinity Succeeded by

Mrs. D. M. Carpenter has been elected temporary pastor of her husoand's Holiness church, in Harrington, twenty miles south of Dover, while the Rev. Mr. Carpenter' whereabouts is unknown, supposedly, to the official board.

He dissapeared from Harrington after the existence of his "soul afhad become known through the publishing of a letter which the pastor is said to have admitted sending to the recorder of deeds by mistake. It was intended, it was said, for Miss Della Goodrich, a young wo-

man of his church. The "soul affinity" whom the minister addressed in the missent letter as "Oh, precious, precious, precious darling, little Della wife," is not blamed by Mrs. Carpenter, who is a mature woman of exceptional mental attainments, mother of the minister's seventeen-year-old son.

The girl is young and pretty, and Mrs. Carpenter said she believed her to be innocent of wrong intent and a victim of hypnotic influence exerted by Carpenter, who, his wife said, had talked so much of late of "soul affinity" that she believed his mind had become unbalanced.

#### THE FAT BOY.

#### Small Fee Charged by Mother to See the Baby. Mrs. Herbert Brockwell, of Ches-

terfield county, Va., twenty-seven years of age, is the mother of what to be the champion she believes heavy-weight baby of the world. The boy, Andrew Phomas Brock well, eleven months old, weight 56 pounds, and is physically in the pink of condition. The child weighed 15 pounds and 7 ounces at his birth. He was born with a full suit of raver

black hair. The thrifty young mother, on ac count of the large number of people coming daily to see her baby has suspended a sign from her front Last Saturday night at Gaston porch announcing an admission fee

#### PROVED SERICUS.

#### Several School Boys Burned by Practical Demonstration.

A teacher in the graded school at Darlington Thursday morning was planning to give her class a practical demonstration of volcanic erup-A pile of dirt was heaped up A negro named John Henderson over some gunpowder. By some was also held up at the point of a means there was a premature explosion and three or four of the boys

#### TRIBE OF CANNIBALS.

#### Have Been Discovered Who Sell and Eat Human Flesh

A correspondent of the Cologne Gazette writing from the South Cameroons says that the Maka, the negro tribe inhabitating the territory between the second and sixth degrees north latitude are cannibals and not The correspondent observed human

# **OWNED SLAVES**

# Very Generally Known.

Who Owned and Controlled Negro Slaves, the Same as White People

who owned negro slaves in the South the Record, invested \$3 and the before the war, says the News and agent promptly left. Courier. In the "List of the Taxwell in 1861, the names of one hundred and thirty-two colored people who owned and paid taxes on three hundred and ninety slaves in Charmusical magazine and other publications of the control of t per capita, and the amount paid on the negroes owned by negroes in this town at the beginning of the war aggregated \$1,170. Doubtless there were other slaveholders among the negroes in other parts of the State,

There were negro slaveholders also in other parts of the South. Mr. J. J. Wood, of Columbus, Ga., recently told the Enquirer-Sun, of that city, an interesting story about the free negro persons who owned slaves in their own right in that community. One of these slaveholders was Bob Parker, who ran a line of drays in Columbus, owning his hands and drays. He also owned negro women and children. Dilsey Pope owned her husband and hired him out, and when he offended her in some way she got rid of him by selling him to Colonel Seaborn Jones. Joe Clark, mother negro in Columbus, a barber by trade, owned and worked negroes whom he bought. If the Dilsey Pope plan could only be adopted nowadays among the white people it might be practicable to rid the community of some very trifling husbands; but that

There were more negro slavehold ers in Charleston than in any other community in this State; certainly there was a larger number of "free persons of color" here than in any other city in the South, with the exeption probably of New Orleans. In his class were included seven Indian families who had consorted with the Some of the family names of the free persons of color who flourished here and owned slaves are still be to found in the City Directory and there are many of their decendants still living, but most of the old slave-holding negroes have left no ign that they ever existed. The Weston family was the largest and most important of the free negro families special Delivers ring nere, and they were all very good people. The free negroes generally held themselves in high esteem and were respected by their white

neighbors. There were 361 taxpayers among hem and in 1861 they paid taxes on real estate that was valued at \$759,-970. The rate of taxation on real estate was \$1.40 per cent, so that ury on account of their real estate if there is attached to any letter or holdings, slave property and other package of mail matter 10 cents' exations of the municipial government, \$12,208.14.

largest owners of slaves Elizabeth Duprat and George Shrews bery each owned 12. Phoebe Lowis ble by an act of the last Congress. owned 11, James Johnston owned 10, Samuel Weston (Trustce) owned 8. Peter B. Matthews and Jacob Wes- an amendment to the present law, ton each owned 7. J. A. Sasportas whereby such letters may be left at and others whose names are not so familiar owned from 1 to 6. The largest taxpayer among the "free to deposit such letters in receptacles persons of color" was Maria Weston controlled by the adressee, and get a who owned \$40.075 worth of real es tate and paid \$613,05 taxes. Other large taxpayers among these people

were as follows: Robert Howard, real estate \$33, 900, slaves 5, taxes \$491. R. E. Dereef, real estate \$23,000

slaves 14, taxes \$384. William McKinlay, real estate \$25,000, slaves —, taxes \$354.48. Joseph Dereef, (Indian,' real estate \$16,000, slaves 6, taxes \$242. Elias Garden, (Indian,) real tate, \$14,000, slaves 3, taxes \$227. John L. Francis, real estate, \$11, 500, slaves 7, taxes \$182.40. Jacob Weston, real estate \$11,600 slaves 2, taxes \$178.40. Francis St. Marks, real estate \$11, 550. slaves 3, taxes \$170.70. George Shrewsbery, real \$5,500, slaves 12, taxes \$153. Samuel Weston, real estate \$9, 300, slaves 12, taxes \$133,20.

R. Holloway, realestate \$9,200, slaves 12, taxes \$131.80. J. A. Sasportas, real estate \$6,700, slaves 5, taxes \$118,80. Thomas R. Small, real estate, \$7. 300, slaves 3, taxes \$111,20. James, Johnson, real estate \$7,300

daves 10, taxes \$102.20. Some of the "free persons of color" became prominent in the politics of the city and State after the close of the war, and all of them who went into politics were allied with the Republican party. Artson was a conspicuous name in the Reconstruction Deas, De Large, Elfe, Grant, McKin-Shrewsbery and lay. were also prominent at that time. The colored people returned 32 horses for taxation, and several of them owned carriages. They had no political privileges but they were

commercial enterprise or industrial undertaking they pleased. How they became into possession of the slaves they owned, whether by gift or by purchase, we do not know, al-though we were informed, that these colored people bought their slaves just as slaves were purchased by the white people, and that they managed them very much in the same way. The free colored people of Charleston were generally a very intelligent folk, and have always composed the color ed aristocracy of the town. true, as the Washington Horald says, "the negro was not wholly averse, when possessed of the means and the opportunity, to dealing in his own flesh and blood." It is not

## MUSIC AGENTS GAME. WAS FOUND OUT

# ers In Suffolk, Va.

He Operated in Columbia and Given a Good Send Off by The Re

Thursday ovening a very plausible white man called on Rev. J. H. Johnson, of Columbia, representing him self as the agent of a Philadelphia music publishing house. He had They Were Very Intelligent music bargans galore, which he persuasively offered, promising to throw in a subscription to a musical journal as a bonus for purchase of some There were a good many negroes sheet music. The Reverend, says

Then the minister picked up The payers "of the City of Charleston, Record, and began reading it. He 1860, published by Evans & Cogs- had not gone very far before his eye was caught by the following dis-

patch: cations, has, within the past few days swindled numbers of Suffolk people principally music teachers and pupils. He took orders at cut rates, collecting in advance and neglecting to turn in the cash.

"A letter from a publishing house disclaims his authority, and offers to arrest, saying he has operated other cities using a different alias in of the churrh.

Not being given to the use of slang town, presumably for parts unknown, he dd not exclaim "Stung!" but he His heart-broken wife and his two Suspicious circumstances began to flash upon his mind. The receipt given him for \$3 was made on an ordinary receipt form that can be bought in any book store. It did not bind any music paper or publishing house, only "R. L. Bailey," the signer, to supply the ordered shee fusic and send the monthly musical Johnston he was staying at the Co! ambia hotel, so the preacher went the register and no guest by that name stopping there. More than ever convinced that he

was filmflammed, Parson Johnson went home. Mr. "Bailey" had told him he was going to Chester on the early morning train, so he went to the depot in the hope of catching him, but, of course, the music agent was not in sight.

Rev. Mr. Johnson thought it but

for the benefit of others.

Mr. "Bailey" may be all right and his "bargain lots" may be sent to the purchaser, but it is a safe rule never buy from any peripatetic agent who insists on cash with order. A favorite game with swindlers is to represent themselves as agents, but the gafe is profitless unless they

#### SPECIAL DELIVERY LETTERS

# After July They Will Not Require

Special Stamps.

No special delivery postage stamps

will be needed after July, to insure

immediate delivery of a letter. Post-master General Meyer has issued an order that, on and after July 1 next, worth of stamps, of any denomination, with the words "special delivery" written or printed on the enveamong the colored people here were lope or covering, in addition to the R. E. Dereef (Indian) and Maria postage required for ordinary deliv-Weston, each of whom had fourteen cry, the article will be handled as if slaves. Amos Baxter owned 13, it bore a regulationspecial delivery This change is made possistamp. The Postmaster General has decided also to recommend to Congress and Louiss Decoster each owned 5, their destinations without procuring receipts in all cases. The amend-ment would enable the department receipt later. Until Congress can act, however, a broader construction of the present law will be given, so that

#### receipt will be accepted from any one occupying the premises to whom or dinary mail might be given. EAGLE SEIZES CHILD.

#### Father Pulls Down Bird and Its Prey With a Rake.

A little child belonging to D. M. Rigee, a merchant of Braxton county, W. Va., was nearly carried away by a large bald eagle. The child was playing in the doorway of its home, when the immense bird swoop ed down, catching the child about the shoulder and waist with its

The screams of the little one at tracted its father who came out of his store just as the bird was rising with the child. Mr. Rigee imme diately seized one of the rakes which he had on display in front of his store, and with it literally raked the

bird and child down. The child was injured but little while the parent managed to deal the bird several telling blows with the rake. Despite this it managed to fly to some tall trees nearby where, while nursing its injuries, i was killed by a rifle ball. The eagle is one of the largest ever seen there

#### COREY-GILMAN WEDDING.

#### Mushington Is Roughly Criticised by the Georgian of Adanta.

The Atlanta Georgian thinks some pretty hard things about the Coreyamply protected in all their civil Gilman wedding, and it says them in print. For instance: "The man should the children of the house. His mothights and were free to buy and sell have carried his bedizzened siren to and to engage in whatever legitimate How at midnight with there in the forest at midnight, without witnesses save the priest, yoked up with the actress he never ought to have known. But how then asks the Charleston Post would The Georgian have been able to publish a three-column pic ture of the "bedizzened siren" and a flaring account of the wedding on it first page?

> no scruples upon this score in view of the fact that in his Fatherland the slave trade found its largest de velopment. There is ample material in Char-

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It is Said He Caught Many Suck- By a Love Letter That Fell Into

the Wrong Hands.

The Old Rascal Defends His Illicit Woman and Loved Her on First

"Whatever the world may think of my actions, I know I have done no wrong in the sight of Heaven. I never loved my wife; and God intended Delia to be my affinity."

With this remarkable statement, the Rev. De Witt Maynarn Carpenter, whose infatuation for a young woman who was his former assistant pastor n the Aspostolic Holiness Union church, at Harrington, Del.,ex-plained the disclosures that came to the ears of his congregation through the strange delivery of a love letter

to the wrong person. By mistake Carpenter mailed to the recorder of deeds of Kent county a fervent letter to the woman, and the recorder taking a wide interprepay any reasonable sum to effect his tation of his official title, recorded in the matter and notified the trustees Meanwhile the pastor has left

> sons, one of whom Rolins, seventeen years old, lived with his parents, have no knowledge of his destination. Before his departure, Carpenter spoke freely of his love for Miss Delia Goodrich, who is now in a town in the western part of Pennsylvania. "Whom God hath united let no man put asunder," he said, speaking of Miss Goodrich. "I married Mrs. of Miss Goodrich. Carpenter thirty years ago. She was Miss Vola Pilling, and lived not far from Johnston. I thought I loved her before I wedded, but immediately ly after the ceremony I realized I had made a mistake. I know that she was not my affinity. I have always tried to treat her kindly, but she has known as well as I that there was

not a perfect oneness between us. "When I met Delia six years ago, knew at once that God had intended us for each other. She was in married I did not permit her to en-ter my life at that time. Later when she came down here, the conviction became stronger that she was really my wife and that Mrs. Carpenter was

'It is hard to explain such things to persons who do not understand the ways of heaven, and therefore we did not mention it to our congrega-I cannot understand how I made the mistake of the letters. and placed Delia's letter in the wrong envelope. That is all there is to it. The recorder of deeds, however, had no right to keep the letter.

"He should have sent it back to me without making it public and causing all this trouble and misapprehension. I have decided to go away from here, and that it is the hest that I seperate from my wife She agrees with me and I have advised her to try to get a divorce soon. She will probably continue here for a time, as the congregation has a high regard for her.'

Carpenter declined to say where he was going or whether he intends to see Miss Goodrick. He also refused to say where she is located at pre-Mrs. Carpenter, whose grief is tempered somewhat by the fact that the blow has not been unexpected by her, said that she thought her hus band's mind had been unbalanced for some time, or ever since Miss Goodrich had come to Harrington. She has known of the almost daily letters that he has sent to the young woman since she went away. said the pastor would arise in the morning as early as five o'clock to write them and would hurry to the

postoffice to get them off on the 6:30 train. Members of the congregation are amazed at the revelations. "He was one of the most magnetic men I ever met," declared one of them.

congregation idolized him." At the regular weekly prayer meeting while the pastor and his wife sat with bowed heads in the library of their home, across the street from the church, Cyrus N. Grant, president of the board of trustees, led the meeting. A remarkable demonstration of grief characterized the gath ang

every person in the church was in tears until it adjourned, and an outsider would have thought that some calamity such as a plague had afflicted every household represented. Following the meeting, men, women and children flocked to the pastor's house and offered their sympathies to Mrs. Carpenter. The pastor, unable to meet his folowers, went to the rear yard and

paced up and down under the shade rees. Two men were detailed to vatch him lest he should try to do himself injury. Late in the night, after the callers had gone, he packed wo valises and left town by the first morning train.

### HIS MOTHER SHOT HIM.

#### The Sad Fate That Befell a Practical Jocker.

A shooting took place near Taylor, Texas, on Thursday night as the result of a practical joke. Returning home, Lee McFalls, a young man, appeared at the window to frighten er, believing it to be a burglar, fired through the wondow, inflicting sevwounds, from the effects of which it is believed the young man cannot recover.

### SENSATIONAL AFFRAY.

Man Shot Five Times at Jonesville, Disarmed His Assailant. As a result of a very sensational

shooting at Jonesville Thursday night, S. M. Gilmore who was shot five times by James W. Gallman, died at noon Friday. After discharging his revolver, Gallman was disarmed by Gilmore,

who beat him severely on the head leston for the making of one of the his own flesh and blood." It is not most interesting books covering the remarkable that he should have felt slave period in this country. with the weapon Both men are prominently connected.