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phone and find out."

"And I 'll ring up Mrs. Black and take us black; you go get Miss Mrs. Hamilton. They may have gone a's ink bottle, too, that 'll help and get some matches, and I 'll to see Lina and Frances." In a short time both women apthe cork and we can go to

peared on their porches again: ane's house and make usselfs "They have not been to the stable this morning," said Miss Minerva unain't never promise not to black easily, "and Sam went to Memphis on

a go down to the depot," said vaveringly. "I promise not to the excursion train." "And they are not with Lina or

Well, run then." Jimmy interrupt-Frances,"--- Mrs. Garner's face wore impatiently. "We 'll just slip an anxious look, "I declare I never saw two such children. Still. I don't think we need worry as it is nearly a nizzers. You don't hafto get dinner tim and they never miss their e train just 'cause you down to meals, you know." Minerva's nephew, after

But the noon hour came and with it no hungry little boys. Then, indeed. did the relatives of the children grow uneasy. The two telephones were kept busy, and Mr. Garner, with several other men on horseback, scoured the village. Not a soul had seen either child.

At three o'clock Miss Minerva, worn with anxiety and on the verge of a collapse, dropped into a chair on her veranda, her faithful Major by her side. He had come to offer help and sympathy as soon as he heard of her distress, and, finding her in such a softened, dependent and receptive

dignation.

and joking, their

a Knights or Pythi's minstrels

I know where we can get some

ne no mo' Injun-I-"

r into the house for her ink

und filling his pockets with

nod their faces, heads, hands,

ir eyes, these energetic little tole out of the back gate and

No one noticed them in that

perspiring crowd. A lively band playing and the mob of good-hu-

an happy negroes, dressed in their

contrabund matches, met his chum

at the cabin. There, under the criti-

cal survey of Bennie Dick from his

customary place on the floor, they

and legs; then, pulling their caps

to flew down an alley to the sta-

ercited alldred got di-S Degro they found a seat in the ach and there they set served, still and quiet, except for nd the tre in start

mood, the Major had remained to try to cheer her up. Mr. and Mrs. Garner were also on the porch, discussing what further

steps they could take.

Tt is all the fault of that William of yours," snapped one little boy's mother to the other little boy's aunt. "Jimmy is the best child in the world when he is by himself, but he is easily led into mischief."

Miss Minerva's face blased with in-

ised for the first time how the child

"They are all right," shouted Mr.

read the yellow missive, "they

Garner joyously, as he quickly opened

went on the excursion and Sam Lamb

is bringing them home on the accom-modation."

"William," she corrected, faintly.

"The trouble with Billy," repeated

her suiter firmly, "is this: You have

tried to make a girl out of a healthy,

high-spirited boy; you have n't given

him the toys and playthings a boy

should have; you have not even given

the child common love and affection."

He was letting himself go, for he knew

that she needed the lecture, and, won-

derful to tell, she was listening meek-

ly. "You have steeled your heart," he

went on, "against Billy and against

me. You have about as much idea how

to manage a boy as a-as a-" he

hesitated for a suitable comparison;

he wanted to cay "goat," but gallantry

forbade; "as any other old maid," he

blurted out, realizing as he did so that

a woman had rather be called a goat

cision. "I tell you what, Miss Minerva,

them; that is the reason he is always

in mischief. Now, I think I under-

stand children." He drew himself up

proudly. "We shall be married tomor-

row," he announced, "that I may as-

sume at once my part of the responsi-

Miss Minerva looked at him in flut-

'Oh, no, not tomorrow," she pro-

tested; "possibly next year some

bility of Billy's rearing."

tering consternation.

time."

boy out of that nephew of yours."

"We?" she echoed faintly.

snapped spunkily.

last master of the situation.

mincing walk.

had grown into her life.

The telegram came.

"Next month," she suggested timidly. "Tomorrow, I tell you!" "Next week," she answered. "Tomorrow! Tomorrow! Tomor-

row!" cried the major, happy as a schoolboy.

"Next Sunday night after church." pleaded Miss Minerva.

"No, not next Sunday or Monday or Tuesday. We will be married tomorrow," declared the dictatorial Confederate veteran.

Billy's aunt succumbed.

"Oh, Joseph," she said with almost a simper, "you are so masterful."

"How would you like me for an uncle?" Miss Minerva's afflanced asked Billy a few minutes later.

"Fine an' dandy," was the answer, as the child wriggled himself out of his aunt's embrace. The enthusiastic reception accorded him, when he got off the train, was almost too much for the little boy. He gazed at the pair in embarrassment. He was for the moment disconcerted and overcome; in place of the expected scoldings and punishment, he was received with caresses and flattering consideration. He could not understand it at all.

The major put a hand on the little boy's shoulder and smiled a kindly smile into his big, gray, astonished eyes as the happy lover delightedly whispered, "Your aunt Minerva is going to marry me tomorrow, Billy."

"Pants an' all?" asked William Green Hill.

THE END.

Big Business and Newspapers. James A. Hoyt's separation from the Columbia Record is apparently the outcome of his fight on race track gambling in Columbia. A short time ago when the legal proceedings instituted principally by Mr. Hoyt were postponed with his consent until after the race meet would be over it seemed to place Mr. Hoyt in s bad light, although those who knew him did not in the least question or doubt his purpose or motives.

It was probably the case that some strong local influences were brought to bear on Mr. Hoyt through his business associates, possibly through or from E. W. Robertson, who is the wealthiest man in Columbia, the bigbest banker in that city and the financial bellwether there. As a result of this "squeeze" of the editor Mr. Hoyt has now sold his interest in the Record (to Mr. Robertson, it is reported) and quit as editor and manager.

Mr. Robertson is said to be financially interested with Mr. Gonzales in the ownership of the Columbia State.

TARIFF ON PAPER.

ADMINISTRATION CALLS FOR JU-DICIAL SETTLEMENT.

Treasury Department Hopes for Speedy Determination From Court of Customs Appeals.

Washington, Jan. 2 .- The international tariff controversy over the question of admitting wood pulp and paper into the United States free of duty from all countries having treaties with the nation guaranteeing "most favored nation" treatment was passed on to the courts today by the administration for settlement. The procedure will be expedited, and it is expected that the matter shortly will reach the United States court of customs appeals.

The dispute revolves about section 2 of the late Canadian reciprocity agreement-the only operative part of that proposed pact-which grants free entry to Canadian wood pulp, print paper and paper board made from wood cut on "restricted" lands, or lands where no limitations are imposed upon the exportation the wood or its production. Importers of these commodities from Russia, Germany. Denmark, Norway, Sweden, Austria-Hungary, Newfoundland and Finland have claimed free entry under the "most favored nation" treatment. Most of these countries also have taken up the question diplomatically with this government.

Pending a settlement of the dispute the treasury department assessed the duty on the importations and held the protest of the importers in abeyance. In order to get the ques tion before the courts the treasury today decided formally to deny the right of free entry to any importations except those coming from Canada. The importers can appeal to the board of general appraisers at New York, and from there the question can be carried on to the customs court.

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The treasury department, it is understood, is inclined to grant the appeal of the importers for free entry, but the president was unwilling to place the paper industry on the free list when there was doubt in this respect as to the intent of congress in enacting the Canadian agreement.

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We'll see Sam Lamb toreckly." ated Jimmy, "sud he'll take tes fo ers.

The train was made up of seven a which had been taking on. a at every station up the road as Paducan, and it happened if the two little boys did not know

But when they were nearing Wood-ock, a little station not far from is Sata Lamb, making a tour of the care, came into their coach and when he recognized them, he burst into such a rear of laughter that it caused all the other passengers to turn around and look in their direction.

"What y' all gwine to do non' I jes' onder," he exclaimed. "Yo' ekals n't made dis side o' 'ternity. Lordee, he gased at them admiringly, sho' is genoowine corn-fed, ster-silver, all-wool-an'-s-yard-wide, re-leaf, Green-River Lollapaloosas. Des yo' folks know 'bout yer? Lordee! What I azin' sech a fool question for? ares dey don't. Come on, I gwine to take y' all off 'n dese cars right here at dis Woodstork, an' we kin h de 'commodation back home."

But Sam," protested Billy, "We m't want to go back home. We wants to go to Memphis."

"Hit don't matter what y' all wants," was the negro's reply, "y' all gotta git ht off. Dis-here 'scursion train don't leave Memphis twell twelve o'clock sight an' yuh see how slow she am anin', and ev'y no 'count nigger on her 'll be full o' red eye. ' An' yo' folks is plumb 'stracted 'bout yer dis minute, I 'low. Come on. She am gittin' ready to stop."

He grabbed the blackened hand of each, pushing Jimmy and pulling Pilly. and towed the reluctant little boys through the coach.

"Yuh sho' is sp'iled my fun," he growled as he hust ed them across the atform to the waiting-room. "Dishere 's de fus' 'scursion I been on widout Bukey a-taggin' long in five year an' I aimed fo' to roll 'em high; now, 'case o' ketchin' up wid y' all, I gotta go right back home. Now all set jes' as straight as yer kin et on dis here bench," he admonished. "whilst I send a telegraph to Marse Jeems Garner. An' don' yuh try to lope out on de flatform neider. Set whar I kin keep my eye skinned on ruh, yuh little slipp'ry-ellum eels. Den gwine to come back an' wash yer, so y' all look like 'spectable white folks."

Miss Minerva came out of her front oor looking for Billy at the same time that Mrs. Garner appeared on her porch in search of Jimmy.

William! You William!" called one "Jimmes es! O Jimmes es ce!" called

the other. "Have you seen my nephew ?" asked

the one.

"Tomorrow," reiterated the major, to. Have you seen anything

the Spartanburg Herald and the "William's fault indeed!" she an-Charlotte Observer. So if he really swored back. "There never was a be the new owner of the Columbia weeter shild than William ;" for the Record, Mr. Robertson is acquiring lonely woman knew the truth at last. At the thought that her little nephew might be hurt, a long fory sten tender-iese stirred her bosom and the realquite a string of newspaper connections .--- Spartanburg Journal.

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KILLS WOMAN, DROWNS HIM-SELF.

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> After committing the deed it was thought that he had fied the country, but later developments disclosed the fact that he committed suicide. having jumped into a pond, and was drowned. His body was found this morning. It seems that the woman's husband was an eye-witness to the killing, but his version of the tragedy has not been heard, and it is not known what led to it.

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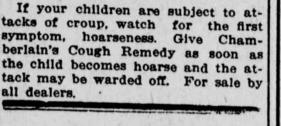
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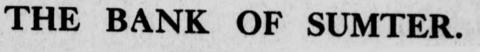
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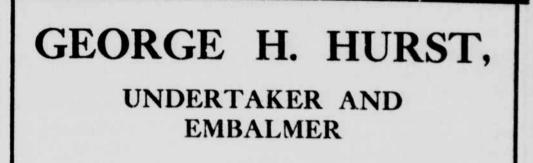
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'hen an old maid any time. The e lor mounted to Miss Miner-"I don't have to be an old maid," she

"No; and you are not going to be one any longer." he answered with de-

we are going to make a fine, manly "Yes, we! I said we, didn't I?" replied the major ostentatiously. "The child shall have a pony to ride and everything else that a boy ought to have. He is full of natural animal spirits and has to find some outlet for

