this if courts of justice were more sure of punishing crime.

The ninth quadrennial session of the General Conference of the Methodist Episcopal Church, South, convened in Nashville, Tennessee, on yesterday. There will be four and probably six bishops elected.

Mr. Pittman, who has been absent two weeks, has returned, and will occupy his pulpit next Sabbath. Subject for morning service; Christ died for us—Christ lives for us. At night. The Syrian Captain and his Captive.

The bridge over the railroad cut just below the Fair grounds was completed last Friday. It will be a great convenience to the citizens living beyond the railroad, and obviate the danger their children daily ran in crossing the track.

The London Lancet warns the public of the great danger of injections of morphine under skin, and says: "It is a practice of extreme hazard, and we are of opinion that surgical instrument makers should refuse to sell the requisite apparatus to lay persons, and that medical men should forbid their use."

We have received the first number of the New South, published at Wilmington, N. C., by Mr. Ed. A. Oldham. It is a twenty-four column paper, and very handsomely printed.

It has the prettiest heading in the State—excepting (if we are allowed) The Times. It has a picture of Mr. Thomas M. Holt, of Alamance.

In the case of State vs. Freeman from Henderson, the Supreme Court holds that a Marshal or Constable has the authority to arrest, without warrant, persons who violate the law, are guilty of affrays, riots, breaches of the peace, violent and disorderly acts, drunkenness, &c., and imprison them until such time as they pear be

the train moved oil and their they commenced unloading the cargo. They threw out a number of boxes of tobacco, which were followed by a sack of flour, but the sack bursted open and scattered the flour along the track and they decided to wait until the train sided off at Query's where they could quietly unload. They carried out this idea successfully, unloading and hiding a number of sacks along the track while the freight was waiting for the north bound passenger train to pass. The robbers left the train at Query's and during the night walked along the track and collected their booty. They carried it to the house of a negro in the neighborhood, but soon found to their regret that they had mistaken their host, for he went to Harrisburg, on finding out what had been done and informed the depot agent.

## The Press Association.

Our brethren of the quill held their annual meeting at Elizabeth City last week. We regret very much that pressing engagements prevented our attendance, for we feel assured that they had a most delightful time. We take the following from Capt. Ashe's report in the News and Observer:

The association met at the opera house. A larger number of papers were represented than ever before, Mr. Walter Pool, on behalf of citizens, extended a cordial greeting to the association in a very felicitous speech, whose effect was heightened by the charm of his oratorical gifts. It fell to the lot of the president of the association to make the response.

Col. Charles Jones then read a poem of thirty stanzas from the pen of Miss Lizette Bernheim, which was received by the audience with many expressions of appreciation.

Mr. Ward, the editor of the Edenton Enquirer, then delivered the annual address, which gave very great satisisfaction to the audience and to the association. His subject was "Turn on the Light," and he handled it in a way that was both interesting and instructive.

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