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THE BROWNSVILLE INCIDENT AND THE DISCHARGE ORDER.

Several weeks ago members of three companies of the 25th United States Regiment, composed entirely of negroes and stationed in the town of Brownsville, Texas, turned the guns, which they had for protecting the liberties and rights of people and upholding and maintaining law and order, on the houses of defenseless people, while the members of the company were walking the streets at night. When the matter was investigated, all the members of the company refused to make any statement as to who did the shooting, and the names of the guilty ones could not be ascertained. After a full investigation, President Roosevelt dismissed every member of the three companies. At once there began a great stir throughout the north among negroes, demanding that the President recall his order. The President stood firm; the county Republican committee of New York adopted a resolution on the President's order, and calling on him to rescind it. Then it was that Secretary Taft, the head of War Department, made a complete breakdown, suspended the order until he could hear from the President, who was on his way to Panama at that time. Mr. Taft went a reflection, his chief, who, after due reflection, very wisely said that he could not rescind the order. Mr. Taft, for one time has fallen down and fallen at the instance of a political organization in New York City supported by a number of negro organizations and flamboyantly methods throughout the country. These negro soldiers shot up a town and all of them refused to tell anything about the disgraceful affair which resulted in murder.

Every one of the soldiers who did not participate in the crimes are abettors of murders. We had been led to believe that Secretary Taft was a great man above the ordinary Republican politician, and would do his duty when action required it and had the nerve to stand up for the right. But this incident shows him to be a very small man.

The news which comes from Queen Anne and Cecil Counties in Maryland about buying votes is astounding. It is said that the customary price paid for votes in that county is from \$2.00 to \$5.00 apiece, yet when the fight is hot over local offices, sometimes the price paid is as high as \$150.00, and horses, houses and boat property have been given in exchange for votes. It is said that the people of Maryland are becoming aroused over the debasing and vile practice resorted to there, especially by the Republican party. The habit of buying votes has become so common that it prevails in many counties of the State and almost universally on the eastern shore of Maryland. The practice in Maryland should be stopped by a stringent legislation, prohibiting vote buying or otherwise corrupting the ballot box. A pure and uncorrupted ballot is the bulwark of a free government, and we might say the foundation upon which we rest the principles which control free institutions. The purchase of votes and the debauchery of the elections, will place a premium upon wealth at the expense of ability and merit, and will drive our best citizens out of politics. An awakened public conscience, not only in Maryland but everywhere, should make the purchase of votes so dangerous that no man dare do it, and the court the grand juries and the officers whose duty it is to enforce the law, should use their every effort to bring about a reformation in these matters.

The second annual session of the North Carolina Primary Teachers' Association convened at Salisbury

recently, and was well attended and a most profitable session. During the session a trolley ride was given over the city; the beautiful new graded school building was a matter of interest to the teachers; the school gardens were especially interesting. The present officers were re-elected. Appropriate resolutions were adopted as a tribute to the memory of the late Dr. Chas. D. Melver. On the closing evening an enjoyable reception was tendered by the teachers of the Salisbury schools.

THE RECENT WRECK ON THE SOUTHERN.

The killing of Samuel Spencer with six others and the wounding of 12 or 15 persons in the wreck on Wednesday night of last week, on Waynesboro Road near Lynchburg, was due, like most other railroad collisions, to the negligence of those whose duty it was to prevent it. The Southern has now its main line operated on what is known as the "Block System," which is said to be the safest method of operating trains known to modern railway operators. The telegraph operator allowed a following train to rush upon the one ahead; his signal showed there was still a train in the block, but he failed to hold the second train and this failure caused it to rush on another train that had not gotten out of the block on section.

There were recently twenty-seven judges elected in Chicago. One of their names was Barrett, who was elected at the recent election on the Republican ticket, and is a negro. There is a great deal of trouble now about his election, as lawyers and litigants are seriously considering how they will feel when they have a negro judge presiding in a high court of justice. Many are demanding that he resign.

It was alright, when, through the disfranchisement of many thousands of white men immediately after the war in the South, negroes were elected to Congress and such high offices as Lieutenant Governor and Justices of the Supreme Court, to say nothing of the hundreds who were elected to minor offices. Yet when one is elected in a Northern center of industry, in a great city like Chicago, a great wall goes up and they send for Tillman to make a speech. The Chicago Republicans are getting what they deserve now, a little taste of what the South suffered for many years.

It is said that Col. A. R. Andrews, first vice-president of the Southern Railway, has declined the presidency of the Road. Col. Andrews has, for many years, been identified with railroad interests in the South, and has done a great deal for North Carolina and for the southern states. No citizen who has lived in the State during the last generation has probably done so much as has Col. Andrews.

Many think that the death of Mr. Samuel Spencer, President of the Southern Railway, will be a great loss, especially to the town of Spencer. That town was named for Mr. Spencer and was one of his pets. Millions of dollars had been expended there; parks had been purchased; and much more was to be spent.

The project for a new county at High Point will not be apt to materialize. The spirit manifested by our good friends in the neighborhood is commendable, but the prospect for a new county is, as we think, rather slim.

\$300,000.00 is being expended at Gastonia on mill improvements. During the past year \$50,000.00 has been expended in improving the spindles. A library building is also to be erected 40 by 50 feet to cost \$3,000.00.

Prof. E. Frank Kelly, who formerly lived at Victor, Moore county, but who has for some time held a position as manager of a manufacturing pharmacy in Baltimore, has been appointed to the chair of Pharmacy in the University of Maryland.

DAVIDSON ITEMS.

Randolph Men Purchase Mercantile Business at Thomasville—Other News.

From The Dispatch.
Mr. Albert E. Wharton, who has been book-keeper for the Lambeth Furniture Company at Thomasville, for the past two years, has resigned and will go to Greensboro where he has accepted a position in the office of the clerk of the court. He will be succeeded by Mr. Ed Pepper, who is now filling clerk at the depot. Mr. Pepper will be succeeded at the depot by Mr. C. C. Fritchard, who has formerly been receiving clerk. Mr. Fritchard's successor is Mr. Burton of Mt. Pleasant. The above changes are to take place December 1st, so we are informed.

Last week one of Thomasville's largest business houses changed hands. The People's Mercantile Company, or rather a large bloc of their stock, was bought by Messrs. John T. Umstead, of Raeford, and E. C. McAdams, of Asheboro, these gentlemen acquiring the stock owned by Messrs. J. T. Laver, Gloucester, J. L. Lenoir, and Mr. Johnson. The transfer was made Monday. The business will be run in the same business as at present. Mr. Umstead will have charge of the dry goods department and Mr. Lenoir will remain with the company till the first of the year.

Mr. Ellis Jackson, of Bentley, has moved his family to F. S. Lott's residence near old Rock Springs church and will enter partnership with Lee Lott and operate a saw mill on W. F. Sted's farm.

Miss Doris Sills, of Bain, left Friday for the Old Country. She will visit France, Spain, Belgium and many other places of interest before she returns.

Mr. Chas. E. Lambeth has been elected superintendent of the Methodist Sunday school at Thomasville, for the ensuing year, succeeding Prof. J. N. Hines.

Miss Annie Moring, of Asheboro, was a few days the first of the week in the city visiting her sister, Miss Agnes Moring, one of the teachers in the graded school at Thomasville.

Thursday Messrs. J. R. and E. L. McAdams and E. O. Smith, with George W. Brown for a guide, went over into Randolph on a rabbit hunt and were extremely successful, bagging eighty-four rabbits.

The Fear of Dying.

The most fatal of all diseases seems to be the fear of dying. This is illustrated in the story of the discontented trout, told by Henry Brooks in "The Fool of Quality." This foolish trout was so naughty that God determined to punish it by granting it its desire. That desire was that it should have understanding of all the traps and baits and dangers that threatened its safety, so that it could avoid them. The desire was granted, and never was a more fatal gift bestowed. The trout then devoted itself to preserving its own safety with all the enthusiasm of a dabbler. It would not go into deep holes in the stream, for fear that big fish would devour it. It kept away from shallow places for fear of being stranded. When the shadow of a cloud passed he thought it was a fisherman's net and trembled in hiding. He would eat a worm or fly, for fear a hook might be concealed in it. Thus this over-cautious trout kept himself in continual fright and alarm and could neither eat nor drink nor sleep in peace, but some mischief should befall him. He daily grew thinner and thinner and sadder and sadder, for he pined away with hunger and sighed himself to skin and bone till, wasted almost to nothing with care and melancholy, he at last died from the fear of dying—the most miserable of all deaths.—Baltimore Sun.

Thanksgiving Dinner.

The special service at the Holiness church Thanksgiving Day was greatly enjoyed by the large attendance. Rev. Chas. Johnson preached a powerful sermon at 11 a m which was followed by a dinner to not only the poor of the town, but to the entire church, Sunday school and their friends. The table which stretched the full length of the building, was abundantly supplied with all that goes to make up a sumptuous Thanksgiving dinner. A sympathetic service there was one profession.

Greensboro Marriage.

Joseph Sydney Spencer, of High Point, and Miss Laura Belle Thacker, of Greensboro, were united in marriage on Thursday afternoon at West Market Street M. E. Church, Greensboro.
Miss Thacker is a niece of C. H. Ireland and has a large number of friends who wish her much happiness. Mr. Spencer holds a responsible position with the Southern Furniture Journal, published in High Point.

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Rashy Happenings.

Miss Anna Green spent last Saturday night with Misses Blanche and Evelyn Moffitt.

Lyndon, the little son of Mr. J. B. Beck, was very sick last week in this neighborhood.

Mr. and Mrs. J. T. E. Beck closed a Rammer last week.

Mr. H. G. Whitaker returned from Salisbury last Thursday and stayed a few days with his daughter, Mrs. Young before going to his home at Pilot Mountain.

Mr. and Mrs. Ezra Cox visited relatives in this community last week.

Miss Evelyn Moffitt is teaching at the Trigon school house this winter.

About Dec. 15th the Leonard Beavans Storey Co. High Point's New Store will conduct a big fur sale (for one day only) prices range from 98 cents to \$400.00 per set. It will pay you to wait. Watch for announcement in this paper. 500 pieces of fur will be on sale.

Business Locals.

Notices inserted under this head at one cent a word each insertion.

WANTED STAVES—Highest cash prices paid for all kinds of staves for Norfolk market. Apply to E. A. Hammer, Asheboro, N.C.

FURS FURS FURS—Mink No. 1, small \$2.00; Medium \$3.50; Large \$4.00. You will not see this paid by any one else than J. D. PAYNE, Burlington, N.C.

FOR SALE—A house and lot, near Academy. Good neighborhood. Terms reasonable. For particular call at Courier office.

SALE OF LOTS—One good storehouse and lot on South Fayetteville street, building 15x50 ft; also three building lots 50x150 feet on Sunset Avenue. Call on or address, O. E. RICH, Asheboro, N.C.

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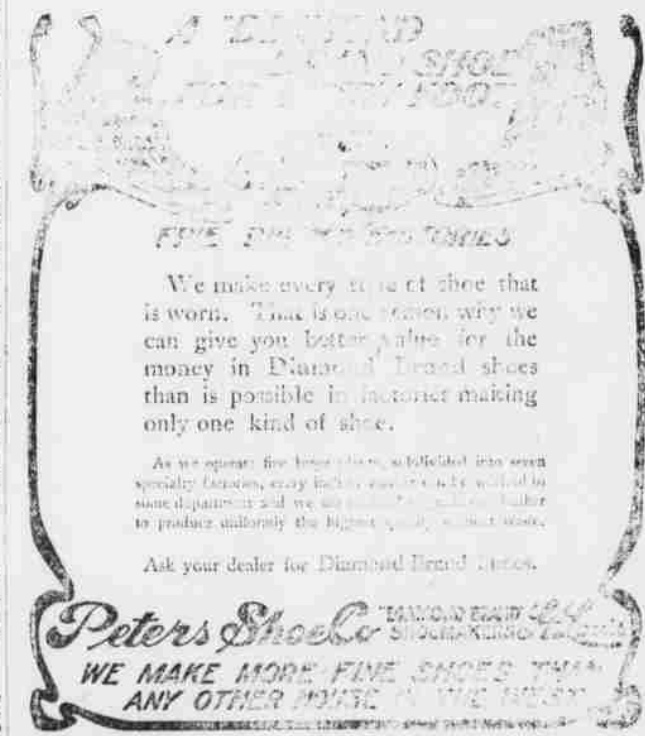
L. RICHARDSON MFG CHEMIST, Greensboro, N. Caro.



Peter H. Beck, one of Moore county's best business men, committed suicide at Southern Pines Wednesday of last week. He was a native of Pennsylvania. The body was sent to Roulette, Pa., for burial. His acute nervous condition was the cause of the rash act.

Maj. J. E. Alexander has been reappointed referee in bankruptcy at Winston-Salem.

The Bank at Denton.
Articles of Incorporation of the Bank of Denton have been filed in the office of Secretary of State. This bank will do a commercial and savings business. The capital stock authorized is \$25,000, but business may be commenced with \$5,000. The incorporators are: J. W. Noel, S. W. Finch and Wade H. Phillips, of Lexington.



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