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GRAVEYARD CASES

Being Investigated by Insurance Companies in North Carolina.

A STARTLING STATE OF DISCLOSURES.

Lunatics, Consumptives and Infirm Applicants Are Reported as Good Risks. A Strong Case Made for the Insurance Companies.

MOREHEAD CITY, N. C., Aug. 3.—The trial of the sensational cases of conspiracy to defraud insurance companies was continued yesterday. The evidence brought out was in line with that of the day before, but was much more explicit and conclusive. Frauds were proven conclusively in one case after another.

The following shows, first, the actual ages; second, the age named in the policy, and the third the real physical condition of the parties named below, who were all insured for good amounts: Hattie A. Davis, 70, 45; infirm. Sarah M. Gabriel, very old, 47; infirm.

Shepard Davis, 70, 56; infirm. Emma J. Casey, 70, 50; infirm. Melissa Guthrie, 70, 50; infirm. John Boyd, physical wreck. William J. Rice, said to be good risk, lunatic. Mary A. Longhurst, 65, 55; poor health. William H. Jones, good risk, consumption. Sarah A. Lewis, over 60, 49. Rosanna Washington, 60, 35; laid up with rheumatism. Samuel Windsor, 85, 58; infirm. Thomas Davis, consumptive. Florence Chadwick, in very bad health.

The prosecution attempted to prove that the money received on the benefit paid at the death of Wigfall was divided between four relatives of the dead man and that these four relatives insured a man in the last stages of consumption, eleven days before death, swearing that he was a good risk, and that the insurance agent in Beaufort certified that Wigfall was a "good risk."

Most of the day was taken up by wrangles between counsel as to the admission of testimony. A large number of letters, affidavits, applications for insurance policies, etc., were admitted, and several witnesses were examined orally. The court room was filled with interested listeners.

Rascality Results in Murder.

TARBORO, N. C., Aug. 2.—A paper conspicuously posted at Columbia, Tyrrell county, connected the name of Dock Newbury with a prominent married lady. Tuesday Newbury accused A. J. Walker and Thomas Patrick of writing the offensive document. Walker called Newbury a liar and was shot in the abdomen. Patrick interfered and was shot in the arm. Newbury was formerly a business partner of Walker, and is now register of deeds of Tyrrell county.

The Monroe Cotton Mills Sold.

MONROE, N. C., Aug. 3.—According to advertisement, the Monroe Cotton Mills were sold yesterday at noon and were bid off by Messrs. Leath for \$62,300, which is regarded by all as a fair price. This will pay all indebtedness and leave some for the stockholders. Everything was fair and everybody seems satisfied with the result. It is said the mill will resume Monday under the new management.

VALUE OF ALUMINUM,

The Oxide of the Mineral as Found in Southern States.

WASHINGTON, Aug. 5.—The forthcoming review by the geological survey of the mineral resources of the country will show that the production of aluminum in the United States in 1894 was 550,000 pounds. Bauxite, which is an oxide of aluminum, has been found in sufficient quantities to be commercially valuable in only three localities in the United States. These are in New Mexico, Arkansas and the Coosa valley of Georgia and Alabama. Aluminum, the review will say, has now found the position in the arts predicted for it, and the demand is increasing. Its metallurgical use has proved more valuable than was expected.

KILLED BY LIGHTNING.

Three Others, Who Sought Shelter Under a Tree, May Also Die.

ALTOONA, Pa., Aug. 5.—During a heavy thunder storm yesterday, a large barn belonging to David Bell, on the outskirts of this city, was struck by lightning and burned together with its contents. About the same time a wandering family from Williamsport, Pa., sought shelter under a tree near Duncansville. The tree was struck and one of the family, a young man, named John H. Miller, killed. The mother, Mrs. Miller, was so badly burned by the electric fluid that it is thought she will die. Two other members of the family, a boy and a girl, were seriously

AN ALLIANCE IS ON

Between the Several Small Countries of Central America.

WITH GUATEMALA AS THE KEystone.

This Union May, and Probably Will, Affect the Future of the Peninsula—it is Said the States Have Assented to the Agreement.

WASHINGTON, Aug. 5.—Private advices received from Guatemala yesterday indicate that sensational developments affecting, possibly the future of Central America may be expected within the next thirty days. These advices state that President Barrios, of Guatemala has formed a secret alliance with Costa Rica, looking to the formation of a union of all the Central American states, with Guatemala exercising the dominant influence in the new federation. The first step in this program will be the downfall of the present Bonilla administration in Honduras and the appointment of his successor in the person of Marco Soto. This last named gentleman is favorable to the proposition and if the plans are perfected so that he may, by a coup d'etat, assume the president's office, the assistance of Honduras can be obtained in the plan for a federation of the five states and Nicaragua and Salvador will thus, it is claimed, be compelled to join with the other republics as a matter self-interest.

President Barrios, of Guatemala, it is said, is the more desirous of this new alliance, inasmuch as at present Honduras, Nicaragua and Salvador are now closely allied. This trio of republics, which are contiguous to each other, forms a geographical wedge, so to speak, being Guatemala on the north and Costa Rica on the south. Without the active co-operation of one of them, it would be difficult for Guatemala and Costa Rica to assume an offensive attitude toward the remainder. The withdrawal of Honduras from the triple alliance and her co-operation with the other republics would give to the latter a preponderance of power the value of which it can be readily appreciated. To what extent President Barrios can carry this program can only be conjectured, but it is believed in Guatemala that he will succeed.

What renders his plan the more feasible is the hereditary enmity of lack of comity—at least which exists between Costa Rica and Nicaragua. Costa Rica, it is said, delights to see her ancient enemy, Nicaragua, humbled, as she would necessarily be, if compelled to perform to join a Central American federation, the influence of which would be friendly to Costa Rica.

Should Nicaragua, on the other hand, decline to join the union, she would still be at a disadvantage in that she would enjoy none of the benefits which would result from it. The situation, therefore is profuse with significance and future developments are awaited with interest by the political traders in all of the Central American states by whom the facts seem to be well understood.

MASSACRED BY CHINESE.

Missionaries Are Killed—The U. S. Government Will Investigate.

WASHINGTON, Aug. 5.—The State department has received a cablegram from United States Consul Jernigan, at Shanghai, saying that one American female missionary and four British missionaries were killed at the mission of Ku Cheng. No further details are given. The place described is believed to be in the province of Hue, far up on the banks of Yangste river, beyond the reach of men of war and about four hundred miles north of Chang Tu, where the last missionary riot occurred. The State Department will take steps in the matter at once.

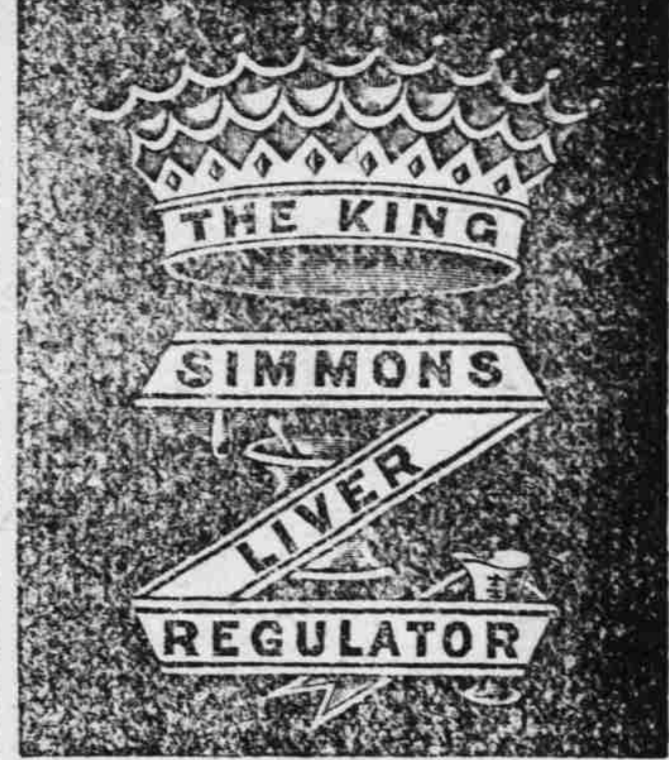
LATER.—The State Department received the following cablegram from consul Jernigan, at Shanghai, in reference to the reported massacre near Kucheng: "Americans are safe; none hurt. Ten British killed."

Exhibits Arriving.

ATLANTA, Aug. 5.—Twenty carloads of the government's exhibit of the exposition are on the grounds. Mr. Horace Bradley, of New York, writes that he has just returned from Europe. He states that he has secured the finest collection of pictures in England, Germany, France, Italy, Spain and Portugal ever brought to America. Boston, New York, Philadelphia and Chicago galleries, public and private, will send large loans.

Committed Suicide.

ATLANTIC CITY, N. J., Aug. 5.—A. W. Lambert, for several years manager of the Baltimore and Ohio hotels at Deer Park, Oakland and Berkeley Springs, W. Va., and formerly a well known and respected citizen of Virginia, committed suicide here late yesterday afternoon. He had been drinking, was melancholy and ended his life by drinking two ounces of laudanum.



Are you taking SIMMONS LIVER REGULATOR, the "KING OF LIVER MEDICINES?" That is what our readers want, and nothing but that. It is the same old friend to which the old folks pinned their faith and were never disappointed. But another good recommendation for it is, that it is BETTER THAN PILLS, never gripes, never weakens, but works in such an easy and natural way, just like nature itself, that relief comes quick and sure, and one feels new all over. It never fails. Everybody needs take a liver remedy, and everyone should take only Simmons Liver Regulator. Be sure you get it. The Red Z is on the wrapper. J. H. Zeilin & Co., Philadelphia.

NORTH CAROLINA BRIEFS.

The Odd Fellows of Concord enjoyed a big picnic Saturday.

The Southern Railway will build a new depot at Statesville.

The state firemen hold a firemen's tournament at Newberne this week.

Ex-Sheriff R. W. Hardie, of Cumberland, died a week ago, aged 78 years.

The centennial of Lower Stone church was celebrated near Salisbury this week.

Rev. John Hughes, of Wilkes, aged 81, was recently married to Mrs. Sallie Harris, aged 65.

The Monroe cotton mill, purchased last week by Mr. O. P. Heath, will be started up at once, and later, with increased facilities.

In a fight with a colored woman, Sarah Sweet, in Wilmington last week, Edward Dickson, also colored, inflicted blows which resulted in her death.

The Stanley Enterprise says that Mr. John S. Atkins, who lives near Albemarle, is showing some fine specimens of gold recently found on his place.

The school census of Wilmington just finished shows the population to be 22,027. Of these 9,182 are white and 12,845 colored. There are 8,355 school children in the city.

Rev. Mr. Horner, of Oxford preached in the Leaksville Episcopal church Sunday, the sermon in celebration of the 50th anniversary of the organization of that parish.

Capt. B. I. Fisher opened up a private street through his property at Greensboro. It was condemned for public use by the city council, and he was then fined for obstructing it.

The Mt. Airy News says that John M. Johnson, of Surry, was found dead in the woods near his home last week, and that he had not drawn a sober breath in ten years and the day before his death he drank liquor by the goblet full.

The foundation has been begun for the Park Manufacturing Co's. steam pump and heater mill at Dilworth. The incorporators as known are Moffat and J. W. Pharr. The works have been located at Gastonia and will be moved from there to Charlotte.

The state board of education has no knowledge of the extent of the "swamp lands" in Brunswick and Columbus, as they have never been surveyed. Camp & Co. are to make the survey, and have an option on the lands at 25 cents an acre until December 31st, next. The cypress timber is what Camp & Co. saw mill men want.

FLOOR BROKE IN

Precipitating a Corpse and the Congregation in a Cellar.

St. JOSEPH, Mich., Aug. 5.—While the funeral services of Eugene Shuart, who hanged himself Thursday, were in progress yesterday afternoon, the floor gave way and the Knights of the Maccabees, mourners and corpse were all precipitated into the cellar. Several women fainted, but aside from a few bruised, no one was hurt. Everything was righted and the services proceeded.

Prohibitionists Nominate a Ticket.

BALTIMORE, Aug. 2.—Maryland's prohibitionists closed a two days meeting here yesterday. Four hundred and six enthusiastic opponents of the liquor traffic, representing all the counties of the state, took part in the deliberations of the body. The convention nominated the following ticket: For governor, Joshua Levering, of Baltimore; for comptroller, Dr. J. L. Nicodemus, of Frederick county; for attorney-general, W. Frank Tucker, of Baltimore.

Far Seeing People Visit First

The Cash Racket Stores!

What! Devote all this space to advertising Tin Coffee Pots?

Yes! We want our friends to get the benefit of a good thing. The Coffee Pot holds one gallon, is warranted perfect, and is sold elsewhere for 25c. Our price, only 8 cents. We now have about six dozen of them but they will soon be gone and we can get no more to sell at this figure, so come and get one and put it away until you want it.

Mosquito Net (all colors) just to hand at 5 cents per yard.

THE CASH RACKET STORES,

J. M. LEATH, Manager.

NASH AND GOLDSBORO STREETS,

WILSON, N. C.

AFTER RAILROAD BILL.

He Kills a Bloodhound and Puts a Hole Through a Deputy's Hat.

JACKSONVILLE, Fla., Aug. 2.—A special to the Times-Union from Pensacola, Fla., says: The following telegram from Judge A. M. McMillan, of this county, brother to Sheriff McMillan who was killed by "Railroad Bill" some time ago, was received by Judge McMillan's son, Frank, in this city last night.

Castleberry, Ala., August 1. Frank McMillan, Pensacola, Fla.: We started "Railroad Bill" this morning and chased him two hours. He killed our best dog and the balance would not chase him. He shot a hole in the hat brim of one of our men, who shot at him eight times but he escaped to the swamp. We will have six good dogs on No. 8 tonight and have a good chance for tomorrow.

A. M. McMILLAN."

LIBERTY BELL

Its Itinerary to the Cotton States and International Exposition.

PHILADELPHIA, Aug. 2.—The joint committee of the city councils on the Atlanta Exposition, met yesterday to arrange and complete the details of the trip for the Liberty Bell which is to be in the south during the festival. The itinerary of the bell's southern journey is as follows:

Leave Philadelphia, September 11, then via Baltimore, Washington, Fredericksburg, Richmond, Petersburg, Lynchburg, Roanoke, Bristol, Knoxville, Chattanooga, and arrive in Atlanta, September 18.

CROP CONDITIONS.

Unusually Fine Yield of Corn in the Southern States.

WASHINGTON, Aug. 1.—The weather bureau in its report of crop conditions for the week ending with July says:

Drouth continues in western Ohio and is effecting crops unfavorably in portions of Pennsylvania, South Carolina, Georgia, southern Texas, Kansas and Nebraska. In southern Michigan drouth has been relieved, but in the northern part of the state the rainfall has been insufficient.

The general outlook for corn is excellent, although unfavorable reports are received from portions of Nebraska and Kansas, and it is reported as late in North Dakota. In Indiana, Illinois, Iowa and Missouri, it is making rapid growth, and earing. In Iowa the best crop ever grown in that state is promised. In the southern states an unusually fine crop is now practically assured.

The condition of cotton is probably less favorable than last week. In Louisiana and the lowlands of Arkansas, there has been too much rain and the crop continues grassy in Mississippi. In Texas it is of irregular size and from one to three weeks late, and complaints of shedding are received from the Carolinas, Florida and Louisiana.

Harvesting of spring wheat is advancing in South Dakota and Minnesota, and will begin in North Dakota this week. Tobacco is not doing well in Ohio, but in Wisconsin, Maryland and Kentucky it is growing finely, the outlook in Maryland being exceptionally favorable; in Virginia the general condition is promising.