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SAYS MINISTERS ARE WELL.
Imperial Edict by the Chinese Emperor That All Except German Minister Are Alive.
By Telegram to the Morning Star.
WASHINGTON, July 28.—The Chinese minister came to the State Department early, expressly to deliver an edict received by him to Secretary Hay. It is similar in form to the edict published yesterday in London. The minister says that the only differences are those involved in separate translations. Mr. Wu's translation of Sheng's dispatch is as follows:
"Edict of 28th of the sixth moon (July 24th) states that fortunately all ministers, except Baron von Ketteler, are alive and unharmed. They are now being supplied with vegetables, fruit and provisions by the government to show its sympathy for them." "The safety of the ministers, it seems to have been dispensed by this edict. He labored earnestly with Secretary Hay to convince him that he was bound to accept this official declaration of the Chinese government. He pointed out that this declaration did not represent merely the belief of a minor official or victory; it was the solemn declaration of the Chinese government."
The Secretary of State has received a dispatch from Mr. Fowler, the American consul at Che Foo, dated at midnight on the 26th:
"This morning, by request of the allied admirals, I wired to the governor (supper) Bob Maxwell, of Shanghai their wish to get news from the ministers themselves. The governor now replies:
"I have received today an edict from the Emperor saying that the ministers are well. They are sending provisions to the legations. An confident ministers are out of distress and request you (Fowler) to transmit this preliminary announcement to admirals."
(Signed) "YUAN, Governor."
A later dispatch from Mr. Fowler, dated 1 A. M., 27th, to the State Department is as follows:
"Another telegram from the governor: 'Have just received imperial edict of 24th, saying the various ministers, excepting German, are well; and so on.' It is a relief to the legations. Am satisfied the ministers are out of distress."
(Signed) "YUAN."
The Secretary has also received a cablegram from U. S. Consul McWade at Canton, stating that Victory Tak assures him the ministers were all alive and well on July 24th.

ment is but the precursor to further oppression. One of these incendiaries went so far as to condone assassination in another State and indirectly incite negroes to it by virtually justifying it in advance. This incendiarism has already brought forth its fruit, not in murder, but in violence and midnight burnings, in one of which murder was barely averted, as the family in the burned house narrowly escaped with their lives.
The white men who are engaged in this infernal work of banding the negroes against the whites know better and know the danger of what they are doing, for they know the inflammable temperament of the ignorant mobs they talk to, and know the race hatred that dwells in the hearts of many of them, and yet knowing that, they for base and mercenary purposes, advise these negroes to organize, to band together, and with arms necessary, to protect their rights. This is criminal and it is basely mean, for if these banded negroes acting upon the advice given them should provoke conflict, these white incendiaries would not be any where around to help shield them or share the punishment that would be inevitably visited upon them.
Fortunately for the negroes of this State the better class of them are counselling the more thoughtful of their race to beware of the men who are arraying them against the whites, men who are, taking all things into consideration, more culpable than this New Orleans negro incendiary and murderer, who has paid with his life the penalty of his murders.

WENT TO THE WRONG MAN.
It is said that Marion Butler has become so rattled by the task which he has undertaken in this campaign that he doesn't always know what he is doing and gets things and people badly mixed. A case in point was when he sent the following to the chairman of the Democratic committee of Forsyth county, instead of to the chairman of the Populist committee, if they have one there, or to the chairman of the Republican committee, for either or both of whom it was evidently intended. It reads:
"PEOPLE PARTY OF NORTH CAROLINA, Office of State Executive Committee, Marion Butler, Chairman; Ed W. Ayer, Vice-Chairman; E. B. Davis, Secretary; Raleigh, N. C.
"MY DEAR SIR: I have just killed Hon. Baylus Cade to speak at Winston, Wednesday July 25th.
"Please advertise this speaking at once thoroughly all over your county. Your county is one of those that we have on our list that must be carried, and if we carry it and others we are counting on we will have a big majority in the Legislature.
"Attend to this matter promptly and let me hear from you."
"Yours truly,
"MARION BUTLER, Ch'm.
"July 20, 1900."

GREAT DAY IN DUPLIN
Impressive and Formidable Demonstration by the Democracy at Kenansville.
THE MARCH FROM WARSAW.
Procession Two Miles Long—Great Cavalcade of Red Shirts—A Lesson to Fusionists—Speakers—Meeting at Clinton Saturday.
[Special Star Telegram.]
RALEIGH, N. C., July 26.—A special to the News and Observer says this has been a Red Shirt day in Duplin and no such political demonstration has ever been enacted as was witnessed at Kenansville. The recent arrest and trial of Dick Williams, registrar, has aroused the county from border to border. The coming of Aycock into the county to day furnished the Democrats the opportunity to manifest their interest and enthusiasm. It was the greatest crowd that ever assembled in Duplin and it was the most demonstrated gathering that has come together during this campaign in any part of the State. The march from Warsaw to Kenansville, a distance of ten miles, was one grand continuous swell of hurrahs and cheers. The procession, when it landed in Kenansville, was two miles long. There was a measured mile of mounted Red Shirts, marching two abreast. They had come in battalions from Warsaw, Wallace, Faison, Rose Hill, Magnolia and Chinoque.
Impressive Scene.
It was the most impressive and formidable scene that has been witnessed in this section of the State. It taught the Fusionists a lesson that they had been refusing to learn. Duplin county is safe for the Amendment and the ticket by six to eight hundred majority, and all attempts at intimidation cannot change it, or affect it, except to make the majority greater.
Aycock added another gem to his crown of matchless oratory and won the crowd in an hour's powerful speech. They wanted the "Pure stuff, straight from the shoulder," and they got it.
"Can Butler or his cohorts intimidate such men and women as these or their sons or daughters?" asked Mr. Aycock, and a thundering "No" came from ten thousand throats.
Hon. F. A. Woodard preceded Mr. Aycock in one of the best speeches of the campaign. Neither Mr. Aycock nor Mr. Woodard were among strangers. The Duplin county people know and love them both.
Mr. B. F. Aycock, Democratic nominee for the State Senate, was present, and in response to a continued call of several minutes he arose and gave them one of the effective speeches for which he is noted.
Foretells a Great Victory.
Dr. Faison, of Faison, was called out by the cavalcade of Red Shirts, and, arrayed in a red shirt himself, he made a spirited speech.
The meeting at Kenansville was another one of those mammoth county gatherings that has for weeks and weeks been foretelling a great victory for white supremacy.
Dr. Faison called for Red Shirt volunteers to meet Aycock at Clinton Saturday and a great crowd of nearly four hundred volunteered.

TRANSFERRED TO CHARLOTTE
Mr. L. P. McKenzie, Wilmington Manager for Armour Packing Company, Receives Deserved Promotion.
Mr. L. P. McKenzie, for seven years past manager of the Armour Packing Company's branch house at Wilmington, and one of the best known and most highly esteemed business men of the city, has been promoted by his company to the position of manager of the Charlotte branch house and his duties here will cease Tuesday. He will be succeeded by Mr. J. F. Somers, of Augusta, Ga., who will arrive today or to-morrow to begin his work. Mr. McKenzie and family will, however, not leave Wilmington until Tuesday week. Their departure will be attended by much regret on the part of a host of friends in this city. Mr. McKenzie is a member of the Wilmington Chamber of Commerce and of the Board of Managers of the Produce Exchange. He is exceedingly popular with his business associates and his estimable family also number their friends by the score.
As a token of their high regard, the employees of the Armour Packing Company yesterday afternoon upon learning the news of Mr. McKenzie's contemplated departure, presented him with a handsome silk umbrella with gold mounted handle. The presentation took place at the Palace Market and Mr. McKenzie received the gift in words of deepest appreciation and assurances of his pleasure at realizing the generous motive which prompted it.

AYCOCK AT CLINTON.
Spoke to Five Thousand Enthusiastic and Determined People There Saturday.
THERE WAS NO DISTURBANCE
Day Passed Off Quietly and Many Populists Renounced Fusion and the "Nigger"—Red Shirts Were Present in Abundance.
[Special Star Telegram.]
CLINTON, N. C., July 28.—Hon. Chas. B. Aycock concluded the last full week of his wonderful campaign for white supremacy in North Carolina here to-day, and his speech was one which gave great encouragement and added inspiration to that which even before the speaking was at fever heat.
Five thousand people, a large percent of whom were the prevailing red shirt, were present and to them Mr. Aycock delivered what is pronounced by many the greatest speech of the entire campaign. Hon. F. A. Woodard also spoke and made a favorable impression. A sumptuous dinner was spread and the great congregation of honest people from three counties—Wayne, Duplin and Sampson—sat down and were filled.
The threats of Populists that they would make trouble for Aycock here probably increased the crowd, and many of Mr. Aycock's own people from Wayne were here uplifted in red shirts and anxious to add a hand in defense of their idol in case trouble came. There was no disturbance whatever, and without a doubt much good was accomplished for the Amendment. Democrats were greatly enthused and determined, and several Populists openly declared after the speaking against fusion and the "nigger."
Messrs. Aycock, Woodard and the Wayne and Duplin contingents left on this evening's train.

SMITHFIELD HERALD: EX-REVEREND FET FEEDIN SAID LAST WEEK WHILE SPEAKING OPPOSED THE ORIGINAL AMENDMENT THAT IF IT PASSED AND BECAME A LAW IT WOULD BE SUCH THAT IT WOULD DISFRANCHISE JESUS CHRIST IF HE WERE HERE ON EARTH. HE MENTIONED THE FACT THAT THE BIBLE INFORMS US THAT HE NEVER TOOK A COURSE IN THE SCHOOLS.
Fayetteville Observer: Thomas Fort, the young white man from Hope Mills, who was to have been tried before Judge Overby yesterday, on the charge of carrying concealed weapons, failed to appear and forfeited his bond, on which Mr. Deens was security, for \$50. Fort is also under a \$500 bond for his appearance at court on the charge of attempted criminal assault.
Wadesboro Messenger-Intelligencer: At Troy, Montgomery county, Thursday, Deputy United States Marshal Cox arrested Registrar R. O. Fry, who was charged with refusing to register negroes. The warrant was sworn out by Daniel Pankey, a negro. All the witnesses are negroes except I. M. Deaton. Mr. Fry waived examination and asked to be allowed to give a five thousand dollar bond for the United States Commissioner Moore would take only a thousand dollar bond for his appearance before him on the 6th day of next August.
Windsor Sentinel: Mr. N. Glenn Williams of Yadkin county, is one of North Carolina's leading farmers. His wheat crop this year threatened 5,315 bushels. This was a record for the county. His individual crop amounted to 5,559 bushels. Average per acre was 25 5-11 bushels. His best field of wheat was 37 acres, which produced 1,210 bushels. The year-old crop of Mr. Williams was killed by lightning Monday evening, three miles from Piedmont Springs. It is reported that the boy was coming down the stairway when the house was struck and the lightning struck the bottom of the steps dead. The clock in the house was torn to pieces.

AN OBJECT LESSON FROM NEW ORLEANS.
A few days ago a desperate negro resisting arrest in New Orleans shot and killed two police officers, and seriously, if not fatally, wounded a third. He then made his escape. The next day his hiding place was discovered and surrounded, but before he was shot he shot and killed half a dozen officers and citizens, and wounded several more.
The city has been thrown into intense excitement, which has not been equalled since the lynching several years ago of those members of the Mafia who had assassinated a police officer. It was with great difficulty and after most strenuous efforts by the city authorities and the more conservative citizens that the populace was restrained from wreaking indiscriminate vengeance upon the negroes, although it was not known that any were implicated with the assassin in the killing of these officers and citizens.
It seems that he was a desperate negro and was known to be such by other negroes, and by many of them. In an editorial, commenting upon this, and the known character of this negro desperado, the New Orleans Times-Democrat says:
"The Times-Democrat has received a number of letters from which colored men of New Orleans in which they express their detestation of the acts of these negro hoodlums and criminals, but protest that the race as a whole should not be made to suffer on their account, and that prejudice should not be created against others any more than that which race should be held to account for the crimes of other whites. While this is undoubtedly true, it is impossible to overlook the fact that the negroes as a class do nothing to help themselves by the punishing the laws of their own race, but on the contrary, they show every disposition to shield and shelter them."
Take the very man Robert Charles, for instance, who has been convicted of hundreds of negroes who knew him that he was a dangerous agitator, that with his fanatical hatred of the white race he was certain sooner or later to commit some crime as that of yesterday. Those who knew him were well aware that he had committed some crime elsewhere—probably murder—for which he had been here; knew that he was heavily armed, and that he had sworn to kill any officer who tried to arrest him. Those to whom he distributed his incendiary literature, knew that such appeals to race hatred and revenge would inevitably lead to bloodshed. They were told that "the oppression of the negro by the law is the real cause of the trouble here; that it is to the interest of the negro to prevent crime—a better method than punishing it."

THE ONLY CHANCE.
J. A. Pritchett, of Greensboro, has been a Republican ever since the Republican party was organized in North Carolina. For many years he has been a magistrate, and is now. When the constitutional amendment was submitted to the people he announced that he would vote for it, and at once the Republican managers began to bring pressure to bear to bring him on their side. He was "interviewed" by some of the bosses who tried to whip him in, but failed. That his party friends may know where he stands, and why, he publishes the following in the Greensboro Patriot:
"Editor Patriot: I have been interviewed by a number of my Republican friends as to how I stand on the political issues of the day, and especially as to my attitude toward the greatest issue since 1861—that of the amendment, and I take this method of answering all such inquiries.
"This is the only chance the present generation has had or will have to settle the great question of white supremacy, and I am aligned with the white people. I believe the amendment will prove to be best for the white man and best for the colored man. Others differ from me, a privilege I would not deny, but these are my honest convictions and I mean to stand by them.
"I intend to vote for the dispensary as well as the amendment; and, last but not least, I will not vote for any man who will vote to return Marion Butler to the U. S. Senate in case he is a candidate before the next Legislature, and this compels me to vote for the Democratic legislative ticket, as all my party friends are wearing the Butler-Pritchett banner."
"J. A. PRITCHETT."

FAMOUS BATTLE GROUND.
Directors of Moore's Creek Monumental Association Met at Currie Yesterday. May Purchase Lillington Hall.
The annual meeting of the directors of the Moore's Creek Monumental Association was held yesterday at Currie, and there was a very large attendance. The meeting was called in order to transact routine business and to decide upon several matters of importance which were before them. Bruce Williams, Esq., of Burgaw, who is vice president of the Association attended the business session yesterday and told a STAR reporter that the most important matter decided upon was the appointment of a committee to ask the Legislature to amend their charter in order that they may purchase the old Lillington Hall, near Rocky Point. The remains of General Lillington are buried there and the place was headquarters of the Colonial leaders in the State in Revolutionary times. They are very anxious to incorporate that historic spot in their valuable possessions.
The big celebration will not be held until the date of the anniversary of the famous battle, which is February 27th. The grounds at the present do not afford the necessary conveniences and comforts for the large number of people who would attend the celebration. The directors will endeavor to have everything in perfect readiness before the next anniversary occasion. If the bill which is now pending in Congress, asking for \$10,000 to be used in beautifying and preserving the cemetery, passes that body, they will have sufficient funds to carry out their plans fully.
All the old officers were re-elected. They are as follows: Jas. F. Moore, president; Bruce Williams, vice president; R. P. Paddison, secretary; Geo. J. Moore, treasurer. The above are all from Pender county.

RED SHIRTS AT WILSON.
Had a Big Demonstration and Speaking There Yesterday.
[Special Star Telegram.]
WILSON, N. C., July 28th.—Major W. B. Shaw, of Vance made one of the greatest speeches ever made here in behalf of White Supremacy to-day. Three thousand red-hot, enthusiastic Democrats were congregated about the Court House square and showed their approval of the many utterances of the Major by great and frequent outbursts of applause. Major Shaw was followed by Capt. T. W. Mason in another powerful speech which will have its effect upon this and adjoining counties represented here to-day.
This has been a great day for the Democracy of Wilson county.
Before the speaking there was a magnificent parade of the military, Confederate Veterans, citizens and 250 Red Shirts.
Put Wilson county down for 1,500 majority for good government and White Supremacy.

ARRESTED IN HAVANA.
Estes G. Rathbone, Recently Director of Posts in Cuba.
By Cable to the Morning Star.
HAVANA, July 28.—Estes G. Rathbone, recently director general of posts in Cuba, was arrested at 11 o'clock today on four charges. These allege the unlawful drawing of two orders for \$50 each, paying his private coachman and gardener from the postal funds, and drawing per diem allowance when not entitled to do so. Mr. Rathbone was held in bonds of \$25,000.

NEW DISEASE OF DOGS.
Dr. Thomas B. Carroll, veterinary surgeon, has recently made investigation of a disease which is killing many dogs in the city and which appears to be epidemic with the canine race. In the cavities of the hearts of several of the animals upon which Dr. Carroll has performed a post-mortem examination he has found a species of parasite in the form of a long worm. The heart is affected to such an extent that the lower part is paralyzed and death results in from two to three days. A sample of the parasite found has been forwarded by Dr. Carroll to Dr. Hassell, of Washington, with request for a preventative. It is believed that in many cases dogs have been killed for hydrophobia when they were only affected with the complaint discovered by Dr. Carroll.
—About seventy-five persons left yesterday afternoon on the excursion to Charleston via the Atlantic Coast Line. They will return Tuesday.

He properly characterizes the constitutional amendment as "the greatest issue since 1861," the settlement of which will determine whether North Carolina is to be ruled by her competent white citizenship, or be left at the mercy of the negro mob, led by an unscrupulous and mercenary gang of white office-hunters, of whom Marion Butler, whom Mr. Pritchett patriotically wants to relegate to private life, is a typical representative.

A CHARACTERISTIC MISREPRESENTATION.
The anti-amendment machine runners and stumpers are nothing if not tricky. There is not an honest bone in them, and when not engaged in deliberate lying they are resorting to trickery that ought to put to shame a side show fakir. The latest misrepresentation is reported as coming from Cy Thompson, who in some of his speeches tries to deceive white voters by asserting that the grandfather clause doesn't amount to much, as it will apply only to those persons whose ancestors were entitled to vote in 1867 and are still living, but not to those whose ancestors then entitled to vote are dead.
The man who would indulge in such a transparent misrepresentation as that with the hope of fooling some innocent-minded person, not only insults the intelligence of the people he thus talks to, but advertises his own dishonesty and discredits his own sense, for not like that wouldn't pass in a lunatic asylum. They must be very hard pressed when they resort to such miserable fakes.
Lightning struck a negro in Maryland Wednesday, while he was closing a window, killed him, tore all his clothes from his body, melted the watch he wore and set fire to the house. The fire, however, was extinguished before the house was much damaged.

ORDERED TO SAN FRANCISCO.
Mr. Lonnie B. Southerland, a very popular Wilmington boy, who is now a paymaster's clerk in the army, stationed at Chicago, has been ordered to San Francisco for duty at once.
The Chicago papers speaking of the ordering of Maj. H. R. Belknap, who is Mr. Southerland's superior officer, to San Francisco, say that the probabilities are that this means duty in the Philippines or China, owing to the activity in the movement of troops at present.

ORNATE AND APPROPRIATE.
[Raleigh Post.]
The day of genuine oratory has not passed from the Old North State. There have been more efforts in which the elements of genuine eloquence and superb rhetoric have prevailed in this campaign than for years. We cannot undertake to enumerate the speakers of the occasions when this has occurred, but will take the liberty of referring to two short efforts, which really are classical. These were the speeches made by Hon. Clem Manly and Hon. Chas. Manly Stedman, in introducing the Old Man Eloquent, General Ransom, at Winston and Greensboro respectively. We have never read anything more ornate or more appropriate.

DEEDS RECORDED.
The following real estate transfers were recorded by the Register of Deeds yesterday:
Thos. Rivera and wife to Martin Rathjen, property 50 ft. 3 in. x 70 ft. 9 in. on Sixth street between Swann and Harnett, for \$600.
Benj. F. Brittain to E. T. Mason, tract of property on the western street corner of Third and Wooster streets, for \$300.

ROCKHILL'S MISSION.
Sent to China to Ascertain Conditions for Guidance of State Department.
By Telegram to the Morning Star.
WASHINGTON, July 28.—Special Commissioner Rockhill called at the State Department this morning and had a final conference with Secretary Hay respecting his mission to China. It was not deemed proper to make public the exact instructions given to Mr. Rockhill, but it is stated generally that he is being sent out to ascertain the condition in China for the guidance of the State Department and to serve as its direct representative and that in case it should be necessary hereafter to conduct negotiations there instead of in Washington. There also is the possibility that a commissioner will be required on the spot in case anything in the nature of an international commission is created to deal with the Chinese question. Mr. Rockhill left Washington this afternoon for the Pacific slope.

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