

BECAUSE of the decision of the Supreme Court reinstating Capt. Day as superintendent of the penitentiary, the new (Democratic) directors of that institution are being urged to resign, and they will meet on the 27th of this month to decide what they will do.

While their resignation may enable the Democratic party to make political capital in the next campaign, because of the miserable mismanagement of the penitentiary by the Fusionists, yet we cannot join in urging them to resign. If they can save the State—if they can save the people any needless expenditures—their duty is to do so and not to resign, even if thereby they rescue their political opponents from a most unenviable dilemma.

Among the many good acts of the last Legislature was one repealing chapter 510 of the Laws of 1897, which established the State Board of Equalization.

Our readers will remember that during the last campaign frequent references were made to that act of the Fusion Legislature, and it was denounced by all Democratic speakers and papers. Under that act three men at Raleigh—the railroad commissioners—were empowered to change and increase the valuation of property in any county in the State without ever having seen it and without any notice to its owner.

And yet the Fusion papers have not said a word about it, but have been as dumb as an oyster!

True to their promises to restore white supremacy to the negro-ridden counties of this State, the Democrats in the last Legislature passed an act repealing chapter 135 of the Laws of 1895 and re-enacting chapter 17 of the Code. This act applies only to certain counties, as follows: Bertie, Caswell, Craven, Edgecombe, Franklin, Granville, Montgomery, New Hanover, Pasquotank, Perquimans, Vance, Washington and Warren.

This act thus restores to the above named counties the system of county government that prevailed all over this State from 1870 to 1895. Under a decision of our Supreme Court, rendered at September Term, 1897, the Legislature can give different systems of county government to different counties. And, accordingly, the Legislature can appoint the magistrates and commissioners for the above named counties and allow the voters of all the other counties to elect their commissioners and magistrates.

SENATOR Marion Butler has decided to become a lawyer, and will shortly become a law student at our State University. This is the first instance that we have ever heard of a United States Senator, during his term of office, being a student at his State's University.

And by the way is it possible that the former president of the state and National Farmers' Alliance is thus going back on "our noble order"? Or has he gotten all out of the Alliance that there is to be got and is now going to throw it aside like a squeezed lemon? It will be considered that no lawyer can be a member of the Alliance, and it is going to have a good deal of trouble as former Butler becomes a lawyer he will be ineligible to membership in the Alliance!

We are indebted to the courtesy of Congressman J. W. Atwater for a copy of the twelfth annual report of the Interstate Commerce Commission, which contains much interesting information about the railroads of the United States. Among other surprising statistics contained therein is a tabulated statement of the number of railway employees killed and injured in different years. The very large number is startling.

The first year, for which these statistics are given, is the year 1886 and the last is 1897. This tabulated and official statement shows that 2,527 railway employees were killed and 37,529 were injured in 1897, a total of 34,456, which is 1,473 more than the total of killed and wounded in both armies at the great battle of Vicksburg!

The old law students of the late Hon. John Manning propose to testify to the appreciation of him by presenting to the University a marble bust of him. For this purpose an appeal is made by a committee of his former students for contributions of from one to five dollars. It is sent to Prof. J. Crawford Blyden at Chapel Hill. This will be a most appropriate memorial at the scene of his labors to one whose memory will ever be fondly cherished by all who knew him.

In only a few counties did the old board of education refuse to surrender their offices to the new school directors. A suit has been brought in Sampson county by the old board to test the constitutionality of the act of the last Legislature which appointed the new school directors.

Reorganization of Cuba. Washington, April 17.—The Secretary of War today issued orders for the reorganization of the military departments in Cuba in accordance with the changed conditions from the demobilization of the volunteer troops on that island. Up to this time there have been seven military departments in Cuba, constituting one military division, under command of Major General Brooke with headquarters at Havana. Under the orders issued today, the number of departments is reduced to five, the two eliminated being the department of Pinar del Rio, commanded by Brigadier Gen. Hasbrouck and the department of Matanzas, commanded by Brigadier Gen. Bates.

The Department of Matanzas is consolidated with the Department of Santa Clara, and Brigadier Gen. Wilson, now in command of the last named department, is assigned to the command of the new department. No change is made in the Department of Santiago or the Department of Puerto Principe. Brigadier Gen. Wood will continue in the command of the former department and Brigadier Gen. Carpenter in command of the Department of Puerto Principe.

Switzerland's Prosperity. Switzerland, with a population of about one-half larger and a territory only one-third that of North Carolina, has one hundred technical schools, to one alone of which is paid nearly \$100,000 annually. What would a Swiss legislative body say if it could witness our struggle and failure in an effort to appropriate \$10,000 for a textile school? Switzerland, with no natural resources but granite, glaciers and avalanches of ice and snow, is growing rich much faster than North Carolina, with all the resources nature can bestow. The poor people of Switzerland have \$125,000,000 in savings banks. There is a lesson here for us and our lawmakers.

The Negro Himself Responsible. If the Constitutional amendment is adopted, let the negro remember that after all he is responsible. Showing no disposition to study political questions, he has almost invariably blindly followed party leaders. He has never rebelled against corrupt bosses. On the contrary, at their dictation, he has often opposed measures calculated to improve the condition of his race, thereby not only injuring himself, but also injuring the white laborers of the country.

The North Carolina Power Company owns a very valuable water power on the Yadkin, consisting of 50,000 horse-power, which is to be immediately developed for running cotton mills by electric power. The development is to cost \$2,500,000.

The proposed Denver and Pacific coast line is to be a special through line. It will very soon be completed, it will be possible to go around the world in 33 days.

Washington Letter.

Washington, D.C., April 14, 1899. It is regrettable that Congress is not in session, so that the democrats could inject sufficient ginger into Mr. McKinley to make him call Germany down as they did him call Spain down a year ago. The people are stirred to deepest indignation by the news that German treachery in Samoa has been responsible for the ambushing of a small detachment of American and English marines by 800 natives and the killing of two lieutenants, one American and one English, one American Ensign, and four marines, and the administration is doing just as it was doing a year ago—waiting. Germany has seized a ship called down from this government four or five times since the war with Spain began, but in every instance the administration has allowed itself to be placated with a little soap from the German Ambassador.

The same business has not only the people, and action is demanded. Senator Stewart voiced public sentiment when he said: "Does Germany want to fight? If so, she may be accommodated. We are a peaceful people, but we do not permit others to go around with knives on their shoulders." And Representative Mull of Iowa, a republican, said: "In my section the feeling has been strong against Germany for six months. The people believe that she was horrible to us in the war with Spain. The people are in such temper that they will not permit any trifling or hedging on the part of this government." The time has come when the mind of the German Emperor must be cleared in an effective manner of the idea that this country is afraid of him.

War Department officials are at last convinced that peace in the Philippines is still a long way off, and the administration is beginning to realize that the islands were not a bargain at \$20,000,000, and that we will pay the money a long time before we get possession of the property, such as it is. When Aguinaldo's capital was taken it was announced by administration officials that the fighting was all over, yet during the present week there has been almost continuous fighting over there, and our troops didn't have to do all the attacking, either. Speaking to several army officers, Gen. Shafter said "Gen. Lawton and his men are achieving much success so far as they go. The fighting against the Filipinos, however, is like the brushing away of flies; the moment the brushing is stopped they come back. The Filipinos are bound to give in eventually, but I believe it is a much more serious task to subdue them than most people think. Another army officer said, after noting the resemblance of Gen. Lawton's campaign to those against the Apaches and Indians: "The Filipinos will get tired of the chase sooner than the American Indians did, and after a few years of attempting to keep up a fight against the authority of the U. S. the insurgent will disappear or surrender." That is a nice thing to contemplate isn't it? Pay \$20,000,000 and thousands of good American lives for islands which we will get complete possession of in a few years, and will not have any use for at the end of it.

Gen. Shafter has had critics in plenty ever since the charge was made and never fully disproven that he had "flunked" in the Santiago campaign and that he would have made a mess of the whole business if Gen. Joe Wheeler and others had not prevented, but his testimony regarding the canned "roast" beef brought more harsh criticism than anything he had previously said or done. In the face of the evidence of nine out of every ten witnesses who have testified that the stuff was unfit to eat, Shafter said it was good and that he ate it every day and enjoyed it. Either, he overdid the thing in his testimony or he was furnished with a different sort of canned "roast" beef from that furnished the rest of the army. How his testimony was received at the White House may be judged from the fact that he was the guest of honor at a dinner given by Mr. McKinley, before he left town, and was assured that he would be one of the two additional major generals that the army will be entitled to under the army reorganization act.

A Trip to the Klondike. Wapakomet, O., April 17.—A party of United States Senators will make an extended Alaskan trip this summer, to the Klondike region.

They will leave Seattle about June 1, go by water to Skagway, from there to Bennett Lake and Dawson City, where they will be taken charge of by North American Trading and Transportation Company, on whose boats they will go down the Yukon to St. Michaels, and thence by ocean back to Seattle. Their journey will be solely for pleasure, and will occupy about 90 days. It will cover some 10,000 miles.

Herr Pollack, a well known engineer and electrician, has discovered, says the Vienna correspondent of the Daily Chronicle, a means of telegraphing 60,000 words per hour over a single wire.

The Raleigh's Return.

New York, April 15.—The celebration attending the return of the United States cruiser Raleigh from Manila occurred today. The Raleigh, accompanied by two small gunboats captured from the Spaniards last summer in Cuba, and a fleet of about twenty-five excursion steamers and tug boats, paraded from Tompkinsville to Grant's tomb, and from there back to anchor in the North River, off Thirty-fourth street. Thousands of enthusiastic people lined the river banks and gave their hearty cheers of welcome home. The cruiser did not leave her anchorage off Tompkinsville for the parade until shortly before noon. An hour before that time a drizzling rain commenced to fall, and this soon turned into a steady downpour, which continued the remainder of the day. The air was raw, and the officers and men of the Raleigh stood upon the deck three hours, drenched to the skin and shivering with the cold.

By far the greatest gathering of people was in the vicinity of Grant's tomb, which was the turning point of the parade. A national salute was fired there by the Raleigh and also by the captured Spanish prizes, and the scene was rendered a memorable one by the shrieking of a hundred steam whistles from excursion boats and locomotives and cheers from thousands of people on shore and on the vessels in the river. Men, women and children stood there for hours under umbrellas, watching the vessels.

The Raleigh at Charleston. Charleston, S. C., April 17.—The executive committee in charge of the preparations for the annual reunion of the United Confederate Veterans, to be held here May 10th, 11th and 12th, was officially notified today by Secretary Long of the Navy Department, that the cruiser Raleigh, just returned from Manila, had been ordered to this port for reunion work. The cruiser will prove a great attraction to the thousands of Confederate veterans who will be in the city at that time, and an occasion will be extended Captain Coghlan and his crew. The officers of the Raleigh will be entertained at a public banquet during their stay here.

Will go to Wilmington. Washington, April 17.—The cruiser Raleigh will shortly go to Wilmington, N. C., the nearest port to Raleigh, the city whose name she bears, to receive from a citizens' committee some additional pieces of silver in the service presented by the city of Raleigh. After that she will go to Charleston, S. C., and touch at other points not yet designated.

Cuba Will be Annexed. Washington, D. C., April 15.—Annexation of Cuba seems probable, if not certain. Secretary Alger had a long interview with President McKinley this afternoon in which he undoubtedly said that the annexation of Cuba is necessary, desirable and inevitable. Like Postmaster General Smith, Secretary Alger was convinced by his observations in Cuba that its future prosperity depends upon its being governed by the United States and that this is the conviction of all the better elements in its population. Both seem to feel that there is no serious question about the value of Cuba as an acquisition to the United States.

While nothing authoritative can be obtained on the subject it is quite safe to say that the present attitude of the Administration is in favor of the annexation of Cuba, of course with the consent and upon the choice of a majority of the Cubans, and that the steps now in progress for taking a census of the Cuban population are in preparation for an ascertainment of the desire of the people, which is expected to result at a comparatively early day in a declaration for annexation to the United States.

A Dog Saves Ten Lives. Felton, Del., April 15.—The remarkable instinct of a dog saved the life of ten people at Carter's Crossing. Alan Graham and his family were awakened during the night by the violent barking of the dog and its scratching at a side door. Starting downstairs with a revolver, Mr. Graham opened the kitchen door only to be enveloped in flames.

The carpet had been ignited by sparks from the stove, setting fire to the woodbox and firing the entire room. By hard work the family extinguished the flames. The dog had evidently been aroused by the loud crackling of the flames, and ten minutes later there would have been no avenue of escape for the doomed family.

Lined of Manila. Washington, D. C., April 16.—The desire of the Volunteers to return to this country from Manila is evidenced in a report which shows that of those who have been offered opportunity to re-enlist, with the offer of a bonus in travel pay of over \$500, only about 7 per cent will accept. The Volunteers desire to come home by organizations. General Otis has been disapproving all applications for discharges.

Cuban Bandits.

Havana, April 15.—The town of Canimite, seven miles from Havana, was attacked and looted by bandits last night after a hot fight. The attack was made at 9 o'clock by a band of well-armed bandits, who took advantage of the fact that the only garrison there consisted of eight Cuban soldiers under command of a sergeant. The Cubans made a desperate resistance, but were finally overpowered. One Cuban soldier was killed and three others wounded. The sergeant was carried off prisoner. The bandits thoroughly plundered the town and committed many outrages upon the inhabitants.

\$200,000,000 Whiskey Trust. Chicago, April 15.—A special to the Daily News from Louisville, Ky., says: "The most gigantic liquor combination ever engineered—an amalgamation of whiskey and distillery interests, with a united capital of \$200,000,000—will be practically completed in all but the smallest details tomorrow in Chicago, when the men now controlling the Kentucky Distillery & Warehouse Company will finish arrangements for the purchase and absorption of nearly every distillery of rye whiskey in the United States.

New Capital for Arkansas. Little Rock, Ark., April 16.—A bill has been passed by the legislature providing for the erection of a new State capitol at a cost not to exceed \$1,000,000, and now awaits the Governor's signature. The new capitol is to be erected on the site of the present penitentiary, which will be removed beyond the city limits.

Stuck by An Avalanche. Wellington, Wash., April 15.—While clearing the track of the Great Northern Railway a short distance this side of Madison today, a rotary snowplow was struck by an avalanche and dashed a thousand feet down the side of the canon carrying with it seven men besides the regular crew on the engine. All have been injured, except one. Four were injured, three fatally. One hundred and seventy men are searching for the missing men.

A young man in Randolph county married his third wife within six months and before he had attained his majority. Gen. Lawton says that it will take 100,000 soldiers to conquer the Filipinos.

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