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Baptist Church—Rev. W. F. Watson, Pastor. Sunday school at 9:30 a. m. R. G. Taylor, Sup't. Services 11 a. m., 8:30 p. m., second and fourth Sundays. Prayer meeting every Thursday 8:30 p. m. All cordially invited.

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Disciples—Rev. J. R. Tingo, Pastor. Services every 3d Sunday morning and night. Sunday school before 1st Sunday. Prayer meeting every Thursday night.

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### LODGE DIRECTORY.

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### ON THE PIER.

#### EMMA, OFFER.

So like the moonless night, I mark  
Only the pale sky rounding to  
The water, still and deep and dark,  
As usual on its day-blue.

The soft wind ripples my cheek. I hear  
A many sounds, lonely and faint,  
Like voices from a distant sphere:  
A night-breeze's soft plaining;

The drowsy rhythmic swish and play  
Of the stilled waves that rear and sink  
Under my feet and far away  
The bell-tongue, I could think

The world shuts in with grin, cold hand  
Outs the dream, the dark, and me;  
So would I dream, and slumber, and  
Shrink from Eternity.

Say! there are lights along the shore,  
Hark!—and I hear the pulsing beat  
Of music, whose whirring wide a door—  
All but the tread of feet;

And where beckons, where beams the light,  
Breaks an answering star above,  
Loneliness is there: is there Night?  
So are there Life and Love.

### NEWS COMMENT.

At a recent English marriage ceremony the bride was exactly twice the age and twice the weight of the groom.

In proportion to population, Buenos Ayres has the largest number of daily papers of any city in the world, viz., 23.

The most expensive street car in the world is owned by the Troy Electric Railway Car Company of Cleveland. It cost \$10,000.

A Cleveland, Ohio, man has taken out a patent on a glass top for roll top desks to enable the owner to see if he has forgotten anything without having the door.

The Crown Prince of Italy is believed to be making this visit to England to find a wife; and his father will not object, it is thought, if a Protestant be selected.

A peculiar glossy and transparent cloth is made from the fibre of nettles, which is used among other things for belting of machinery and it is claimed to have double the strength of leather.

## THE STATE CAPITAL.

### WHAT IS TRANSPERING IN AND ABOUT RALEIGH.

#### Electric Street Car Line Progressing Rapidly—Free Scholarships at the Grand Old University—Miscellaneous.

BY OUR RESIDENT CORRESPONDENT.

RALEIGH, N. C., August 1, '91.

Hon. W. H. Lucas, State Oyster and Fish Commissioner, was in Raleigh a few days ago in conference with Gov. Holt with regard to taking some steps to protect the oyster interests of the State. Commissioner Lucas stated as a result of the consultation that it would be the object of the commission and of the State authorities to hold all the natural oyster grounds of the State for the benefit of those directly interested in the catching of oysters, and no stone will be left unturned to accomplish that end. It is proposed to exhaust all the powers of the State if necessary to prevent the monopoly of the oyster grounds and the taking of the public oyster beds by private parties in direct violation of the law. Commissioner Lucas, states that this has become a great evil and that some of these parties have succeeded in acquiring oyster beds till many of the natives have no grounds in which to take oysters by which they make their living. It was decided also to institute suit to convert these oyster beds back to the State.

#### ELECTRIC STREET CAR LINE.

The track of the electric street car line is being pushed toward the Exposition Grounds with great haste and there is a scene of activity all along the line. It showed the good sense and wisdom of the management when they placed the track along the right side of the street, leaving a broad drive, instead of splitting the street and having two poor drives on each side. There are about seventy-five hands at work. The hill near the Exposition Grounds is being graded down before the track is laid.

#### FREE SCHOLARSHIPS.

The University Alumni has established a large number of free scholarships at the University. Young men of talent and character who need help in getting an education and who can furnish references as to their needs and merits may obtain assistance by applying to President Winston at Chapel Hill. Early application is desirable.

Papers in each county are requested to copy this notice for the benefit of deserving young men everywhere.

The University also offers free tuition to all young men intending to preach and to the sons of preachers of all denominations.

#### MISCELLANEOUS.

A mineral spring, said to possess splendid qualities, especially in cases of kidney affections, has been discovered on the site of the Caraleigh cotton mills just south of the city. Mr. P. Linehan, one of our leading contractors, made the discovery and has been using the water for a week or so. He says he has received great benefit from it.

There are already at least twenty private families preparing to take boarders during the Exposition. These, with the several hotels and boarding houses now here, will furnish ample accommodations for all that come.

Extensive arrangements are on foot for a full representation of the Raleigh firemen at the Durham tournament, commencing August 25.

There are several parties here from a distance looking after space for exhibits at the exposition. There are also hundreds of applications on file for the privilege of restaurant stands, etc. These will undoubtedly rent high.

#### FRANCE AND RUSSIA.

Exchanging Contests on Board a Russian Flag Ship.

St. Petersburg, July 30.—The officers visiting the French squadron were entertained at dinner last evening by Grand Duke Alexis on board of the Russian flag ship Asia. The greatest cordiality prevailed. Extremely friendly telegrams have been interchanged by the Czar and President Carnot since the visit of the former to the French fleet. Navero Nremia to-day declares that it is not for the triple alliance and for the British premier, but for France and Russia to dictate their will to Europe.

#### CANNIBALS EAT FIFTY PEOPLE.

Natives Who Were Friendly to Europeans the Victims.

LONDON, July 31.—Reports from the Kongo Free State are to the effect that cannibals on the Lomani River ate fifty natives who were friendly to Europeans. A party of ten Europeans and fifty-three Arabs then routed the cannibals and killed a large number of them.

#### CONSOLLS.

Disappointed Bard (in newspaper office)—"What's the trouble about my work?"

Office Boy—"Tain't no trouble at all, Mister. The boss just looks at your signature, an'then chucks the stuff over for me to keep."—Puck

## MARRYING AS A BUSINESS.

### Fierce Competition Between Magistrates to Tie the Bridal Knots.

JEFFERSONVILLE, Ind., July 30.—The majority of this town's population of 12,000 people are fed and clothed by means of the brisk marriage business that is carried on. This is a veritable marriage factory. Louisville, Ky., is just opposite the Ohio River, and as all railroads in that State lead to Louisville, all elopers find their way to that city. But Kentucky justice demands a mature age for marrying, hence the elopers come to this town.

Magistrate Krigivin and Magistrate Hall have for a long time been in a cut-throat war for hitching the bridal couples. Each has fitted up elegant parlors near the ferry slip, and each sends out drummers to run in trade for them. Yesterday Thomas Shaver and Mary Duncan landed and were at once pounced upon by the rival drummers. The usual price for marrying a couple, including witness fees, is \$5. But these zealous drummers began to cut rates, and at last Krigivin's man carried the pay by offering to do the ceremony for nothing. The other magistrates in the city are up in arms and have declared a general boycott against him.

### Wise Capitalists Making Heavy Investments.

The Manufacturers' Record of July 25 says:

Shrewd financiers who recognize the fact that the time to make investments is during periods of depression caused by monetary stringency, and who also appreciate the facts that this country has not stopped growing, and that industrial development, instead of being overdone, is still in its infancy, as compared with what the future will show, are quietly laying their plans for important operations. Their wisdom will be seen when activity returns, for then their enterprises will be all ready to take advantage of prosperous times.

The movements of capitalists in this direction are illustrated by reports in the Manufacturers' Record of the purchase for immediate development of 25,000 acres of iron and timber land near New Castle, Va., at an advance of 200 per cent. over the price which it sold for last September; the decision of the owners of about 70,000 acres near the same place to commence its active development and to construct a ten-mile railroad for this purpose; the sale of 6,000 acres of iron ore property near Fredericksburg, Va., the purchase of the Columbia (S. C.) canal for \$250,000 by New England capitalists, who will utilize its great water-power by building cotton mills, etc.; the purchase of 600 acres of land near Baltimore by Pittsburg manufacturers, who will build a manufacturing town; the full organization of a \$3,500,000 company at New Birmingham, Texas, composed largely of English capitalists interested in Middleborough, Ky., to build an iron-making town; the organization of a \$1,000,000 mining company to operate at Liano, the great Bessemer ore center of Texas. These are a few of the big things reported for the week that indicate the tendency of capitalists to be on the lookout for good investments despite financial stringency.

Among other enterprises reported in this week's issue of the Manufacturers' Record is a \$1,000,000 salt company in Kentucky; a cotton mill at Charlotte, N. C.; an \$80,000 contract for water works engines at Savannah; an \$80,000 rolling mill and cotton gin company at Denison, Texas; a \$300,000 sale of phosphate land in Florida; an increase of \$500,000 in the capital stock of gas and water works company at Macon, Ga., for enlargements; a \$500,000 phosphate company in Florida; a \$50,000 woolen mill company in Texas and a \$100,000 lumber company in the same State; a \$200,000 coal company in West Virginia; a \$75,000 improvement company at Florence, S. C., and a \$30,000 company at Raleigh, N. C.; \$500,000 voted for public improvements at Knoxville, Tenn.; a \$1,000,000 construction company in West Virginia; a \$100,000 improvement company in Manchester, Va.; one of \$50,000 in Basic City, Va., and one of \$40,000 in Louisville, Ky.; \$25,000 water works in Brunswick, Md.; a \$25,000 cottonseed-oil mill company in Texas; large fire-brick works in South Carolina, &c.

For a midsummer week, with Europe and America puzzled over financial matters, this summary shows a really remarkable degree of activity in Southern development, and indicates what may be expected this fall and winter with a return of confidence to the business world.

Amen Basi, a handsome Christian Assyrian who is now lecturing in this country says that men in his country live on six cents a day, women are sold as slaves to work with oxen at the plough. In Damascus, he says, there are 150,000 Christians, 130,000 Mahometans and 5,000 Jews. There is in it a building haunted by John the Baptist's ghost. The door of the room in which he is said to have been beheaded is never opened. The Mahometans say that once long ago some one opened it and the Baptist's blood flowed out over the city to a depth of five inches.—Baltimore Sun.

## A BOY'S TERRIBLE RIDE.

### Nine-Year-Old Joe Keene Dragged Two Miles.

COVINGTON, Ky., July 31.—Nine-year-old Joe Keene raced with death to-day and won. He and his father were riding in a two-wheeled sulky. The horse jumped and threw Mr. Keene out. Joe fell backward, his foot catching in the seat. The horse ran two miles, dragging the boy to Lantonia race course, across the tracks of the C. and O. and Kentucky Central Railroad.

At the Lantonia gates the boy got loose. The Coroner and hundreds of people went out to view the remains, and they met the boy coming in. He had few clothes on, very little skin on his back, and the back of his head was raw, but otherwise he was not injured. He said the dust hurt his eyes. The doctors say he is all right.

### Just Over From Paris.

Three hundred thousand tons of vegetables were brought into the city of Paris last year, and their value reached the amount of \$25,000,000.

The custom of distributing costly souvenirs among the dancers at soirées has been abandoned in Paris. Ladies are given bouquets and gentlemen buttonhole ornaments.

The Paris garcon has won in the struggle for his mustache; and the result is that the restaurants are now manned by a fierce looking band resembling dragoons more than waiters.

The Eiffel tower is the largest clock tower in the world, owing to a gigantic clock installed on the second platform. Experiments with the new pendulum will be made to visible demonstrate the motion of the earth.

The Ambigu theater in Paris has been leased for \$40,000 to a woman—Mme. Zulma Bouffar, a favorite burlesque actress. This is not the first time French theaters have had women directors. Sarah Bernhardt has ruled the Ambigu and Mme. Ugalde held the Bouffes.

### No Left-Handed Stem-Winders.

A left-handed dandy bought a stem-winding watch from one of our young men. After having the watch in his possession for several days he brought it back to him, saying that it was no good, as it would not run in spite of all his persistent efforts to wind it up. The young man, after examining the watch, turned the stem, and the watch at once began ticking.

The negro could not for the life of him understand why the thing would not run for him, though he had been so faithful in winding it up. The inquiring mind of the young man, to the astounding bewilderment of the dandy, told him the trouble, which was that no left-handed nigger could run a stem-winder.

With his left hand he had been turning the wrong way all the time. He went home firmly convinced that his watch would ignore his left hand every time, and it would only run when manipulated by a man using his right hand.

### Something Wrong.

There is something wrong when a Christian begins to admire his own piety.

There is something wrong when a preacher is never convicted by his own preaching.

There is something wrong when parents have no influence over their children.

There is something wrong when a wife does not believe in the religion of her husband.

There is something wrong when a church member has to go to the theater for enjoyment.

There is something wrong when a church does not more than half pay its preacher.

There is something wrong with the professor who is never seen at prayer meeting.

There is something wrong with the people who never offer the Lord a sacrifice that has any blood in it.

There is something wrong with the religion that does not get into the hearts of men and make them love one another.

There is something wrong with the father who will tie up his dog at night and let his boy run the streets.

There is something wrong with the mother whose daughters never confide to her any of their secrets.

There is something wrong with the people who leave their politeness and religion all behind them when they travel.

There is something wrong with the preacher who never has anybody feel uncomfortable under his preaching.

There is something wrong with the Christian whose religion never attracts any attention outside the class meeting.

There is something wrong with the people who never do anything unselfish, to try and help other people.—Ram's Horn.

## KILLING OFF THE BABIES.

### A Sensation That Shakes Up Kansas City Folks.

KANSAS CITY, Mo., July 31.—What bids fair to be a great sensation was unearthed here last night. The Children's Orphan's Home, a founding asylum run by charitable women, has as matron Mrs. Henks, a widow. In the home are always from fifteen to twenty-five infants from a week to a year old.

For sometime it has been noticed that funerals were unusually frequent, and neighbors began an investigation. It was then found that during the past two months eighteen unfortunates had died, and during the eighteen days preceding July 13 fourteen babies had perished in the extremely hot weather.

Further inquiries revealed that only two women, one at night and one by day, assisted Mrs. Henks in caring for all the babies. The little ones were never given light or fresh air, and were never removed from their cradles. Mrs. Henks bought one gallon of milk in the morning and one at night, diluted it with water and fed the mixture to the infants.

The gravest charges of cruelty and neglect are made against the matron, and official investigations are demanded.

### A BRAKEMAN BEWITCHED.

#### But He Seems to Have as Many Lives as a Cat.

BRIDGETON, N. J., July 31.—Brakeman Garrett Estell seems to bear a charmed life. Last Saturday he met with his fifth accident during four years service on the New Jersey Central railroad. He was thrown from the cow-catcher of a rapidly moving freight engine and was rolled over and over under the engine. Taken up for dead, a close examination disclosed a bruised knee and a sprained ankle as his only injuries.

Once Estell fell from the top of his train and eight cars passed over him. He has been bruised and cut and had an ankle and an arm broken. He declares that he is bewitched by a woman at Red Bank who has the "evil eye." This last accident, he says, is a warning, and he will never work another day on the railroad.

### ON HIS KNEES IN COURT.

#### A Young Man Pleads for His Bride's Return.

New York, July 31.—The unusual spectacle was presented in the Supreme Court Chambers last Saturday of a young man kneeling before his bride and imploring her to say good-by to him. Albrecht Bauer is 23 years old, and on July 22 he and Annie Weyman, who is only 18, were married. As soon as the wedding ceremony was over the bride went home and has since refused almost to look at her husband.

The matter was taken into Court by the young man, for he wanted his young wife very badly. But Annie said: "I will never live with you again." Then Albrecht got down on his knees and begged her at least to bid him good-by. She even refused this little mite of comfort, and the broken-hearted young man went away weeping.

### Chat From Over The Sea.

Rev. Charles Spurgeon seems to be recovering.

High officials assist smugglers in wholesale operations in Austria.

Baron de Goudoriz is at the head of a Rubber Trust just formed in London.

Trade was never poorer than it is at present in the Manchester district, England.

The Chilean war-ship Presidente Errazuriz was unable to obtain a crew in Portugal.

An exhibition representing the history of music and drama is to be held in Vienna next year.

Sir Daniel Wilson, President of the Toronto University, is to be tendered the freedom of Edinburgh.

Maine veterans are split up over a proposition to invite General J. B. Longstreet, ex-Confederate, to their reunion.

A crazy New Yorker named Guerler has been imprisoned in Berlin for announcing his intention to challenge Emperor William to a duel.

### He Wanted to Make Sure.

Bridegroom (to minister)—How much will it be?

Minister—That depends upon how much you think it is worth.

Bridegroom—Well, I think it is worth \$20,000; but I'll come around in a few days and see you.

### A Wise Child.

Proud Father (showing off his boy before company)—My son, which would you rather be, Shakespeare or Edison? Little son (after meditation)—I'd rather be Edison.

Fond Father—Yes! Why? Little Son—"Cause he ain't dead.

### By Instalments.

Mias Prentice—What do all those signs I see in the cats mean? How do you "Get a Home on the Instalment Plan"?

## THE STATE SURVEYED.

### NUMEROUS NEWSY NOTES FROM OUR BRIGHT EXCHANGES.

#### What Has and Will Happen of Interest Throughout the Old North State—Industrial and Otherwise.

W. R. Ellis is reported as to erect a leaf and plug tobacco factory at Salem.

The Lucille Tobacco Works, of Winston, will, it is reported, erect a new tobacco factory.

Stone quarries are reported as being developed on the property of T. H. Booth, at Euckhorn.

The Durham wooden mills, which manufacture shuttle bobbins, are to be moved to High Point.

The State Fair will be held as usual this year, in addition to the Exposition. It will begin on October 13.

The Superior Bed Spring Co., of New York, is reported as to erect in North Winston a bed spring factory.

The Charlotte Sash, Door and Blind Manufacturing Co. has amended its charter, increasing capital stock.

Craven county has shipped 126,000 bushels of Irish potatoes this year, and a Mr. Dunn has made \$10,000 on 40 acres of them.

A Northern party is reported as having purchased the C. W. Logan tract of 800 acres of land near Chimney Rock for \$25,000.

The Piedmont Broom Works and the High Point Canning Co., have consolidated as the High Point Broom and Canning Co.

Oxford Day: There is about forty thousand dollars' worth of houses in course of erection in Oxford and there are several important precincts yet to hear from.

B. N. Duke and others have incorporated the Carteret Lodge to erect cotton gins, mill, deal in real estate, &c., in Carteret county. The authorized capital stock is \$100,000.

Cars from the C. S. & N. Ry., are now run through from Charlotte to Fayetteville over the C. F. & Y. V. This line is a hustler now, having a schedule of forty-five miles an hour.

Washington Gazette: Mr. H. F. Hancock, one of the oldest citizens and much respected for his gentlemanly bearing, his industry and intelligence, died on Friday last. He was 74 years old.

While handling an old pistol at Rowland, last week, Mr. Chas. Gibbs accidentally discharged the same and received the contents in the calf of his leg, inflicting a painful, but not serious wound.

The Capital City Land Co., of Raleigh, has been organized. This company has purchased and will improve the Briggs and Womble property in North Raleigh. The capital stock is \$30,000.

Montgomery Vidette: The Sam Christian mining company are taking out ore from a recently discovered vein at what is known as the old California mine. The ore is reported to be worth about \$36 per ton.

Kings Mountain News: A mine of fine clay has been found near here which will prove to be a bonanza. Prof. Ledoux has just completed an analysis of it and says there is only one vein of the clay in the world that equals it in quality and that mine is located in Russia.

Salisbury Watchman: Dirt has been thrown for the erection of a second factory by the Salisbury Cotton Mills company. The factory is fronting the first one and will be the same width, but three hundred feet long, one hundred feet longer than the other.

Rocky Mount Argonaut: One of our most prominent business men who is also engaged in raising tobacco, says that two weeks ago he would have given anybody \$200 to take his crop off his hands and pay all expenses. Yesterday he said he would not take a thousand dollars for the crop. A difference of \$1,200 in two weeks.

### A \$2,000,000 Fire.

DALLAS, Tex., July 30.—Fire broke out in J. B. Cannon & Co's big liquor house on Commerce street shortly after midnight, and spread rapidly to the Hemlock School Furniture company's place, the Brewers' Storage company warehouse and Wolfe & Co's cotton gin. Five hundred bales of cotton in the gin belonging to Sauger Bros. was destroyed. A rough estimate of the loss places it at \$2,000,000.

### The Husband's Curiosity.

"What nonsense is there?" he asked, as he looked over her shoulder at the paper she had in her hand. "Some fool dress pattern, I suppose."

"No," she replied, "it's a diagram of the pitcher's curves in base ball."

## SUNDAY READING.

When a man is where God wants him to be, everything the devil does against him only helps him.

When you are tempted and discouraged, look into the psalms and see what God was to David.

When we remember that God gave his Son to die on the cross for each one of us, how dishonoring it is to Him to doubt that He will hear us for anything for which we can go to Him with one of His own promises.

When the Christian does not love his neighbor as himself he does not love God with all his heart.

When we set about pleasing God in earnest it is not hard to do so.

When we forget the past goodness of God it is impossible for Him to be to us what He wants to be in the present moment.

When the sinner sees how vile his own heart is, he hasn't another word to say about the hypocrites in the church.</