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## A DELIGHTFUL TIME

WAS HAD AT THE ARMOY LAST THURSDAY EVENING.

The Hall Packed—The Booths Were "Great"—The Supper Good and Immensely Enjoyed by All.

A grand Success Was the Cosmopolitan Banquet Last night. Never before in the town of Concord was such a scene presented to the public.

Continuous streams of people were going to and from the armory from the time the doors were thrown open at 5 o'clock in the afternoon until a late hour in the evening.

Isn't that beautiful! Isn't that exquisite! Perfectly gorgeous! Was the jubilation coming from almost every person who was the fortunate one to attend!

Such splendid representations of every nation could not have been more complete. Every booth was artistically decorated and arrayed in its respective national colors.

The costumes were grand and displayed a variation of colors that lent additional beauty to the booths. All in all, a glorious time was had by every one who was in attendance.

One hundred and one dollars were realized. This speaks well for the citizens of our town, but it is nothing more than may always be expected.

### Married at the Point of a Pistol.

An interesting divorce case has just been tried in Asheville before Judge Bynum. The following particulars are given in the Citizen: In the superior court this morning the case of Carrie Howard vs Walter Howard, petition for divorce was heard. The petitioners, both of whom are North Carolinians, swore that in the year 1887 the defendant forced her to marry him at the muzzle of a revolver, threatening that if she did not marry him he would kill her and himself as well. The couple lived together only a short time. The erstwhile Mrs. Howard is a pretty woman of perhaps twenty-five. The defendant, Howard, did not appear. The divorce was granted. Eugene D Carter was the plaintiff's attorney.

### Rev. Keller to Change Fields.

The Standard sees a card in the Lutheran Visitor, published at Newberry, S. C., that pains us. Rev. S. L. Keller, who served St. John's church in this county, and who married one of the county's most estimable ladies, after doing an excellent work in his mission charge, has, by interference of the executive committee of the Synod, been forced to tender his resignation, which the church refuses to accept. Mr. Keller's work has been increased and the salary curtailed to such an extent that Mr. Keller cannot make a support for himself and family. The Standard regrets the unfortunate situation that disturbs Mr. Keller in the prosecution of a work that grew so well. May the matter yet be settled.

### Humphrey and Taylor Released.

Humphrey and Taylor, the two men arrested in Statesville charged with arson, were yesterday released on a writ of habeas corpus before Judge Armfield. Much dissatisfaction has been expressed by the people of Statesville on account of their release. It seems that the Statesville people are of one mind as to the guilt of these men and they dislike to see them released in such a manner.

### Something Unusual for Concord

happened Friday morning. A blacksmith by the name of Marshall Spencer or Spencer Marshall, attacked W. C. Coleman in his store with a stick. Coleman came out best, the blacksmith getting pretty badly bruised up. It is a case for the mayor.

T. M. Deaton has gone to Danville, in response to a call for a business position.

### The Main Statesman is Dying.

James G. Blaine On His Death-Bed—His Disease Has Baffled All Medical Skill.

New York, Dec. 14.—The following dispatch from Washington has been received:

James G. Blaine is now on his death-bed. The strength-sapping malady from which he has suffered so long a time has assumed a form which warns his family and friends of a speedy termination. The disease attacked his lungs a short time ago, and its course has belied the skill of his physicians. The visit of Dr. E. G. Janeway, of New York, to Mr. Blaine is indicative of the extreme anxiety of the family.

When the fact became known that Mr. Blaine's lungs were succumbing to the ravages of the disease, plans were laid to convey the distinguished invalid to Pasadena, Cal., in hope that a mild and soothing climate might enable him to rally. Mr. Blaine's weakness, however, increased so rapidly it was deemed unsafe to remove him, and the trip to California was abandoned.

There is reason to believe that the ex-Secretary's death may occur at any day.

The Rev. Father Ducey's visit to the Blaine residence at this time has naturally revived the talk about Mr. Blaine embracing the Roman Catholic faith. A strong belief prevails here that it is Mr. Blaine's desire to die a communicant of the Church of which his mother was a devout member.

At 2 o'clock this morning the Blaine residence was entirely darkened, the family and servants having retired. There is no evidence whatsoever that a sick watch is being kept. There is no light burning in any of the rooms or hallways.

### A Missionary Needed.

"When was that boy sick?" asked Acting collector Ben Hill, in the Superior court this morning, of Tildy Simons, an old negro woman, who was a witness.

"He was sick in November, boss."

"What day in November?"

"It was the ninth day."

"How do you know it was?"

"I knows cause I knows, dats how I knows. I dats did have a powful good mine to member days."

"You are a kind of weather nigger, then?"

"Yesser, dats hit," and Aunt Tildy smiled with satisfaction.

"What day of the week is this, Aunt Tildy, asked Mr. Hill.

"Hit ain't Saddy, I know," she replied, and then after a pause she said "I clar I dunno what day hit is."

"What month is it, Aunt Tildy?"

"Oh you know de month, hency, what's de use er skis me?"

"No, but I want you to tell me."

"Well, boss, I dunno wat's de name er de month."

"Do you know what year this is?"

"No, sah."

"Do you know that you are living?"

"Oh, yesser, I knows dat mitny well."

"Well, you can go." And, with a self-satisfied smile Aunt Tildy left, wondering why everybody laughed.

### Direct Taxes Refunded.

It is now understood that up to this time about 16,355 warrants for refunding direct taxes have been issued, amounting to \$350,000 in round numbers. This leaves the sum of \$54,000 on hand. There are some large claims known to be outstanding, but four more years are left in which to present them.

### Confessed His Crime.

Ten years ago a negro man named Wallace was found dead on the railroad track near Davidson College. It was supposed he had been run over and killed by the train. A coroner's inquest was held and the verdict was to that effect. The negro was buried and nothing was then thought of the matter. Several days since his relatives, who live near Zion church, received a letter from a white man by the name of Torrance, formerly of or near Davidson College, who went West shortly after the negro was, as supposed, killed by the train, stating that he had killed Wallace, and that when this letter reached them he would be dead, as he intended killing himself. Accompanying his letter was one from a party with whom he was living, stating that as soon as Torrance made the confession he committed suicide by taking laudanum.—Charlotte Observer.

The Stanly News says that Joe Moore will move to Salisbury. Why don't he come back to Concord?

### Gene Again.

All the Methodist ministers are to conference.

What a life they have! They are sent here and sent there. They make friends—they get fairly started in the act of "keeping house," and some wise old fellow tells them that it won't do and they are sent to another town—sent to a strange place, and new friends must be made—new neighbors must be met.

It is an eternal clog dance on the face of the earth—and yet they are always a jolly, clever set of men. There is no little home for them—no place where a green vine grows which they planted—no trees which are their own; no associations. It is trunks and boxes—it is going and coming—and going still.

Their lives are certainly lives of devotion—of self denial and cannot be filled with pleasure.

Yet they are in the work—they are striving to make the world better, and they accomplish much.

They prove the truth of the assertion that a rolling stone gathers no moss. Yet they are laying up an inheritance for another world—they are ministering angels. They call at the bedside of the sick and give comfort to those who are distressed. While the life is not pleasant, viewed from a worldly standpoint, it must be pleasant indeed, viewed in the grander and broader light.

It is to be hoped that all will like their new charges.—Durham Globe

### Items of General Nature.

For fun of chasing Garza the Mexican border bandit, the United States government has thus paid \$200,000.

The will of Jay Gould admitted to probate in New York shows the estate to amount to \$72,000,000. Of this only 2,000,000 is real estate.

Receipts from custom duties at New York for the past ten days, ending 13th, amounted to \$3,271,915; last year they aggregated \$2,924,375 for the like period.

Europe disclosed the fact that a five story building has been erected in to be a public educational institute endowed by him with \$1,400,000.

### Can't Secure "Dat Chile."

Stephen Hines, colored, of Savannah, Ga., went to the house of his cousin, Sarah Hamilton, Saturday night to scare her. She didn't scare, but seized a Winchester rifle and shot him dead.

Mame Sweet, a colored girl aged 12 years, is the latest marvel in Saratoga, Pa., Sunday she jumped from a seven story window and was not injured, with the exception of a dislocation of a shoulder. The girl resides with her parents at No. 21 Lackawanna avenue, and feared being chastised by her father.

Jamesburg, N. J., Dec. 13.—James Still, a negro boy, who is an inmate of the Jamesburg reform school, reached the sixty-fifth day of his fast Sunday, and there is apparently no change in his condition. He is, if anything, heavier in weight than he was two weeks ago and seems to grow stronger as time goes on. Twice a day a spoonful of sweet oil is rubbed into his body from head to foot.

James thought not long ago that a little food would taste good, and he asked the school physician to give him something to start on. Milk was prepared for him, but he had no sooner swallowed a few drops of the liquid than he began to reject it. He was next given crackers broken into sweetened water, but the stomach retained this food no better.

Although James weighed only 70 pounds when admitted to the hospital at the school, it is now said that he weighs 130 pounds.

### Resisting Arrest, A Desperate Negro is Killed.

Raleigh, N. C., Dec. 13.—A Special to the State Chronicle from Tarboro, N. C., says: "Sheriff Knight with Deputy Hyatt and a posse went two miles in the country this morning to arrest Will Foster, colored, suspected of having struck Paul Branch of Wilson, recently. When they overtook him he apparently surrendered, but as Sheriff Knight seized Foster he took a peice of cross bar and struck a vicious blow at the sheriff, but missed him. Foster made a second attempt to strike but was shot and killed by Deputy Hyatt, Foster was a desperate character.

Go to the tableaux tonight.

### The Monetary Conference.

Brussels, December 13.—At its meeting to-day the special committee of the monetary conference discussed at length the proposals of Danish Delegate Tietgen; Belgian Delegate Allard, and Sir William Houldworth, English delegate. The majority of the committee objected to Houldworth's proposals for a bi-metallic union of the nations with these conditions: That their mints should receive silver bullion, in not less quantity than fixed minimum against receipts, noting quantity and value at a price determined by international agreement, and that these receipts circulate as money and be redeemable at the bearer's demand.

The objections to this plan were that it meant the creation of a new legal tender, based upon silver, which the public would hasten to abandon if silver continued to fall, and would hasten to have redeemed with bullion if silver rose. The committee adjourned without taking action. The committee adjourned without taking action. The date of the next sitting has not been determined.

### Gen. Robt. Vance to be Married.

Asheville, N. C., Dec. 13.—Gen. Robt. B. Vance will be married to-morrow night at Ormand, Graham county, to Miss Lizzie R. Cook, daughter of one of the oldest citizens of the county.

Gen. Vance was twelve years the representative of the ninth district in Congress, and under Grover Cleveland's administration was United States commissioner of patents. He is one of the best known men in the State and a brother of United States Senator Z. B. Vance.

### A Sad Complication.

"I'll never publish another book anonymously as long as I live," said a poet on Christmas morning.

"Why not?" inquired a friend.

"Because I have already received five copies of my own book from my admirers, with the compliments of the season."

### A Padrone Kills King of His Country.

Charleston, S. C., Dec. 13.—A report reaches here that four Italian miners working in the Horsehoe phosphate mine near Jonesboro were shot and killed by a padrone named Andras. An armed band of Italians, headed by a trial justice, are in pursuit of the murderer.

### Anderson Writes to Crisp.

Elley Anderson has written Speaker Crisp in regard to the Reform Club incident. He declines to make public the contents, and says Crisp may do that, if he chooses.

### Hotel at Roaring River.

It was learned that plans have been drawn for a large hotel which is to be erected by a stock company next spring and summer at Roaring River, on the line of the Winston-Wilkesboro road.

On Monday night, at Aiken, S. C., Thomas G. Lamar shot and killed Mayor R. A. Chaffee, and was in turn mortally wounded by Chaffee. Marshal Robert Gaston was likewise fatally shot. Chaffee and the marshal were trying to arrest Lamar.

According to the full returns California gives Cleveland a plurality of 152. This is not very large but under the circumstances, [and especially as it is California's first Democratic donation for some time, it will do.

Lee.—The News says that during the two week that Rev. J. W. Lee has been preaching in the Methodist church in Mt. Airy there have been about 50 converted, 14 backsliders reclaimed and 40 have connected themselves with the Methodist church. During the past year, he has preached 514 sermons, has been instrumental in the conversion of 1,211, has helped reclaim 450, and 551 of the converts joined the Methodist church.

New York city has an eye to business. Instead of giving away valuable franchises she put them up at public auction to the highest bidder and thus gets an annual income of several millions of dollars.

### Still More Implicated in the Homestead Poisoning.

Homestead, December 13.—It is stated on reliable authority tonight that within the next twenty-four hours a number of Homestead citizens will be arrested, charged with having been implicated in the plot to poison or drug non-union workmen during the recent troubles. While most of the citizens think the charges are very weak, there are those who believe the Carnegie officials may have a case against the alleged prisoners.

### Guilty and Asked the Mercy of the Court.

Norfolk, Va., Dec. 15.—W. R. Drury, an attorney at law was found guilty in the United States Court in this city today for making a false paper for procuring a United States pension and was sentenced to one year in jail and \$100 fine. When asked by Judge Hughes if he had anything to say, he replied, "no," and threw himself on the mercy of the court.

### The Southern Express Company Robbery.

Mobile, Ala., December 15.—Detective Summers, of Meridian, Mississippi, arrested for robbing the Southern Express office there of \$5,000 December 6th was arraigned to-day. He pleaded guilty to a charge of grand larceny. His accomplices were arrested in Chicago to-day and \$4,000 of the money recovered. Summers is in jail in default of \$5,000 bail.

It has been decided that the monument to the North Carolina Confederate dead shall be of granite. The city of Raleigh will provide the place for it in what may be termed the most public square in the city the one in front of the new passenger station, the monument to stand in the centre of the square. Capt. Octavius Coke has granite quarries near here and generously offers the association all the stone desired, free of cost. The only cost as to this will be the setting of the stone, its transportation and placing into position. It is considered best to use stone from one quarry, in this way, so that all may harmonize in color and texture. The counties will, therefore be asked to make money contributions. It is proposed that there shall be, upon a broad base, a shaft composed of 96 blocks of granite one for each county, and surmounting all a bronze statue of Henry Wyatt, the first Confederate killed in the State services. Standing in the centre of Nash Square, which is State property, the position of the monument would be far more commanding than if it were placed in the Capitol Square. The latter is far too small, and the fine effect of space and elevation would be lacking.

### The Suspension of Immigration.

Washington, Dec. 16.—The agents of the principal trans-Atlantic steam liners appeared before the joint congressional committee on immigration today in opposition to the plan of Senator Chandler to suspend immigration.

Gastavus H. Schwab, representing the various steamship companies, made a general statement in which he suggested that the examination of immigrants should be left to the European agents of the steamship companies, these agents being placed under heavy bond. Senator Hill asked him how the United States could enforce these penalties on this side of the Atlantic when they were operative on the other side. The United States could have no jurisdiction over European agents.

To this Mr. Schwab replied that the companies would acknowledge every responsibility. They would, he said in response to a question from Senator Puffer, be glad to have the assistance of the United States in looking into immigration on the other side.

### Satisfied for Love of a Mile.

Columbia, S. C., Dec. 16.—Lorne Armstrong, son of a prominent farmer in Greenville county, committed suicide today by hanging himself in his father's barn with a plow line. His neck was broken. A few days ago his father sold a mule of which the boy was very fond. He grieved over the loss of his favorite animal to such an extent that his mind became unbalanced, and he finally killed himself.

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### GENERAL NEWS.

Mrs. Oatharine Melroe, widow of the late Malcolm Melroe, died at Maxton recently, aged ninety one years.

Mr. E. H. Adams, of Gaston county raised this year 21 bales of cotton on 28 acres. The bales averaged 443 pounds each.

The whiskey trust has advanced the price of alcohol ten cents per proof gallon and rectified good five cents per wine gallon.

The official count for Idaho is as follows: Weaver 10,430; Harrison, 8,790; McDowell, Republican, for Governor has 1,409 plurality.

The Wilson Advance, whose editor (Clarend Wilson) disappeared mysteriously over a month ago, has been sold at auction for \$200.00.

The official vote of South Carolina in the recent election for President is as follows: Cleveland 54,668; Harrison, 13,384; Weaver, 2,410; Bidwell none.

Miss Susan B. Anthony, of Rochester, N. Y., the well known woman's suffrage advocate, has been appointed manager of the State Industrial School by Governor Flower.

At a meeting yesterday, of the Roanoke, Va., bar hon. John Randolph Tucker was unanimously endorsed for Cleveland's Attorney General in Mr. Cleveland's cabinet.

Five store houses, including the postoffice, were burned in Leaksville on the 14th. The burnt buildings are in the central part of the town and were only partially insured. The loss is heavy.

It is stated that if the votes of Duplin, Onslow, Vance and Wilkes be included the vote of Elias Carr 145,272; Cleveland received 142,952. The vote for State officers as cast may be received in time to be laid before the Legislature.

Raleigh, Dec. 17.—The number of convicts in the State is now 1,122. These are located as follows: At the penitentiary 116, on Northampton farm 241, Halifax farm 115, Caledonia farm 139, Castle Hayne farm 58, Great Falls canal (near Weldon) 71, Working on dykes at the farms on the Roanoke 282.

Final official statistics of the cholera epidemic in Russia have just been issued. According to these figures, there have been 130,319 deaths from European and 125,343 deaths from Asiatic cholera since the outbreak of the disease in the Empire, making a total of 255,760 deaths.

Asheville, N. C., Dec. 15.—R. B. Vance, brother of Senator Vance and member elect of the North Carolina legislature was married this evening to Miss Lizzie R. Cook. The ceremony took place at the home of the bride in Graham county. Gen. Vance is older than the Senator, being 65 years of age. The bridal couple will spend the winter at Raleigh.

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### TELEGRAPHIC BRIEFS.

August Simon Luce, the French historian and savant, died in Paris yesterday.

L'Esperance, a French vessel, was yesterday wrecked off the coast of Guernsey. All the crew were drowned.

The Pope will shortly send to the Italian bishops and people a circular letter denouncing Free Masonry.

Following is the official vote of Montana: Harrison, 18,833; Cleveland, 17,534; Weaver, 7,250; Bidwell, 517.

The official vote of South Dakota for presidential electors is: Harrison, 34,880; Weaver, 26,515; Cleveland, 9,081.

The Deis Furniture Company, in the suburbs of Alexandria, Va., was burned last night; loss \$110,000—insurance \$35,000.

### All Sorts.

Senator Gibson of Arkansas died on the 15th.

The reign of the government rainmaker is about over.—Lowell Courier.

Not till the vizards are all disposed of does the feaster take his "pies."—Boston Courier.

A big plant for the manufacture of bogus lottery tickets has been seized in Chicago.

The government pension payments for the first half of this month amount to \$7,052,000.

They are still coming. On Thursday the steamer Stuttgart brought 2,300 immigrants to New York.

Artists never make good pugilists, for all their fights are drawn battles.—Baltimore American.

The sweetest meat is nearest the bone but the sweetest music is not nearest the trombone.—Westfield Standard.

A man with corns is naturally ill-tempered, and that is why he does not stand well with the community.—Piscayune.

"Why do you look so serious when Smartaleck hands in a batch of jokes?" Because it's no laughing matter, I assure you.—Philadelphia Record.

Representative Scott, of Illinois, who introduced the bill increasing the tax on distilled spirits to \$1.25, estimates that \$35,000,000 would be added to the government revenue should his measure be adopted.

Grover Cleveland will be asked to make a speech on May 1st, 1893, at the World's Fair. At the close of the speech, if he accepts the invitation, Mr. Cleveland will touch an electric button, starting the 14,000 horse power plant in machinery hall, which is to run all the whirling wheels of the fair.

The Godly and pious Elliott P. Shepard, of the New York Mail and Express, is in trouble. He is indicted by a former employer for breach of contract to the tune of \$19,000. Not only this, the saintly soul is charged with being drunk on whiskey and soda, and with trying to bribe certain city officials. Bob Ingersoll, who has no respect for saints, cross questioned the saintly cuss with a "gusto" at the trial.

### Democrats Brace Williams Up.

Washington, Dec. 17.—The Williams-Settle case excites much interest here, since it is ascertained that the certificate of the latter is withheld. The former's friends say the matter should yet be reopened, and appear sanguine of the result in any case. While there is a slight division among lawyers as to whether the State board of canvassers is defunct, the better opinions seems to be that a rehearing and a new decision are legal and desirable. Whatever the law may be, public opinion in the Democratic party of the State, as evidenced by numerous letters received here, clearly favors giving a certificate to Williams. Settle stimulated by the Republican Congressmen to secure the seat if possible. He walks daily into the House cloak room and hangs up his hat and overcoat.

### USE

Ayer's Hair Vigor, and now my hair is growing rapidly and is restored to its original color."—Mrs. Annie Collins, Digton, Mass.  
"I have used Ayer's Hair Vigor for nearly five years, and my hair is moist, glossy, and in an excellent state of preservation. I am forty years old, and have ridden the plains for twenty-five years."—Wm. Henry Ott, alias "Mustang Bill," Newcastle, Wyo.

### Sharp Hits.

Rams Horn; The sinners on the front seat are the hardest to hit.

It is the cowardly dog who is always showing his teeth.

Boston Post: "Mama," said Johnny, "if I swallowed a thermometer would I die by degrees?"

Wilkesboro Chronicle: What's to be done Christmas? Let's all get an office.

Dr. W. W. Johnson, Mr. Blaine's physician, states that there is no truth whatever in the story that Mr. Blaine is dying.

New York Press: When the hussier's wife threw her arms around him and asked him for the price of a new bonnet he said: "I am pressed for money."

Harpers' Bazar: Bobby (at the breakfast table): Maud did Mr. Jones take any of the umbrellas or hats from the hall last night? Maud: Why, of course not; why should he, Bobby? Bobby: That's just what I'd like to know. I thought he did, because I heard him say when he was going out, "I'm going to steal just one, and"—why, what's the matter, Maud.

The Inter Ocean: Mamma! Well, Georgia, I hope you paid close attention to what your teacher said at Sunday school. Can you tell me what you remember? Georgie: Yes, we're goin' to have a Christmas tree and as dandy a time as you ever saw.

Of the opening of Congress the St. Louis Republic makes this irreverent remark: "The national law factory resumed operation to-day."

### A Big Christmas Gift.

Philip D. Armour, the millionaire pork packer, is on his way to Europe, leaving behind him a Christmas gift of over \$1,500,000 to the city of Chicago. He has just completed a magnificent five story building on Armour Avenue, which he gives to the city for a manual training school. Besides this he leaves \$1,400,000 for its support.