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THE BRIBERS SENTENCED.

M. FERDINAND DE LESSEPS MUST PAY 5,000 FRANCS.

And Go to Jail Five Years—Mr. Eiffel to Pay 20,000 Francs with Two Years.

PARIS, February 9.—The Panama sentences have just been delivered.

M. Ferdinand de Lesseps is sentenced to imprisonment for five years and to pay a fine of 5,000 francs.

M. Charles DeLesseps is sentenced to imprisonment for five years and to pay a fine of 3,750 francs.

M. Marius Fontane and M. Cotu each were sentenced to imprisonment for two years and to pay a fine of 3,750 francs each.

M. Eiffel was sentenced to imprisonment for two years and to pay a fine of 20,000 francs.

The sentences have caused a profound sensation, especially that of M. Ferdinand DeLesseps.

STAND OR FALL TOGETHER

PARIS, February 9.—At the cabinet meeting the ministers discussed the proceedings yesterday in the chamber of deputies. The cabinet adopted the view that the incidents were the result of temporary confusion, and the members agreed to stand or fall together and to explain their attitude fully to the house at the first opportunity.

The Marriage of Bishop Lyman.

On Thursday February 9, 1893, at St. Michael's church, Charleston, S. C., in presence of a very select company, the Rt. Rev. Theodore B. Lyman, Bishop of North Carolina, was married to Miss Susan Boone Robertson. The bride, who is one of Charleston's four hundred, is the only daughter of the late Alexander Robertson, of the firm of Robertson, and Blacklock, rice factors.

Rev. Charles Cotesworth Pinckney performed the ceremony, and the bride was given away by Col. Henry E. Young, a vestryman of the historic old church of St. Michael.

Miss Robertson spent several summers on her family estate, Straun, near Aiden, in Henderson county, a neighborhood much favored by low country Magnates, and it was there that the Bishop met and learned to admire her, and she is still kindly remembered and spoken of there for her many good works.

But few even of the groom's most intimate friends knew of the approaching event, among them were Capt. John Wilkes, of Charlotte, who with his wife attended the wedding. The couple left for Florida and New Orleans, where they will remain until after Mardi Gras, going thence to New York for a few weeks before their return to this state.

An electric railway is being constructed between Chicago and St. Louis, a distance of about 250 miles. The public will naturally watch the project with great interest as it foreshadows a remarkable revolution in methods of transportation. Electric experts are confidently predicting that within the next ten years electric power will supersede steam on nearly all the important railways in the United States.

Col. J. L. Ramsey, who for several years has conducted the Salisbury Watchman in the interest of the farmers' alliance, has sold out to Messrs McKim, Norwood and Bruner, who will change the politics of the sheet and preach only pure and unadulterated democracy. In the meantime, Colonel Ramsey will continue to sling ink on the Progressive Farmer, and write stuff when stuff is stuff.

A Saw Trust is the latest scheme to raise the dust. It proposes to cut its way.—[Wilmington Star.

OUR WASHINGTON LETTER.

A Resume of the Week's Doings at the Capital.

The talk of the republicans on the floors of congress and in private, on the pension question, is very different. Privately they admit that if some thing is not done to reduce them the payments will soon bankrupt the country, but on the floors of congress they bitterly resist every attempt to reduce the amount paid. The house committee on appropriations after careful consideration has recommended some amendments to the general Pension appropriation bills, now being considered by the house, which would if they became laws save \$30,000,000 a year, but the republicans are doing everything in their power to prevent the adoption of these amendments. One of the amendments provides for transferring the pension bureau to the war department and the detail of army officers to manage it, which would remove it from politics; others provide for a suspension of pensions paid to widows who were not married within five years after the close of the war; to those having a yearly income of \$600 or more, and, except in cases of total disability, to alien non-residents.

Unless the republican senate shall refuse to agree to amendments to the legislative and executive appropriation bills which have already been passed by the house there will be some radical changes made here on the first of next July. The clerks in the departments will work eight hours instead of seven each day, and will have their annual leave of absence with pay cut down to 15 days. The departments will cease to close on account of the death of ex officials and congress will no longer pay the big prices it has paid in the past for funeral expenses of members who died. Whatever may be said of these amendments they are in the line of democratic economy, and for that very reason they will probably be defeated in the senate.

The difficulty the Panama Investigation committee has had in getting witnesses to testify has caused the suspicion to be general that influences are at work to prevent the truth being found out. The committee has now gone to New York to see if anything can be got out of the bankers who disbursed the money. Later they will go to Indiana to get ex-secretary Thompson's statement of what he did to earn his salary of \$24,000 a year; also what he knows about other money spent.

Henry Clews, according to the New York Banker and Speculator, says: "If the anti option bill becomes a national law, the dealing in options will be superseded by the dealing in store house certificates in the same way that gold was dealt in during the war period. The actual gold at that time was deposited in a Bank of New York, against which certificates were issued payable in gold on demand to bearer, and these certificates were used in making the deliveries of all gold transactions. Gold was dealt in sometimes to the extent of \$100,000,000 a day, and a few millions of the gold certificates were offered in settling these immense transactions through the Clearing House. We can deal in wheat, corn and cotton on just as large a scale as now done in options by adopting the same method. There will, therefore, be no need of either cotton or the grain exchanges disbanding even if the option bill does become a law."

Our report of the legislative proceedings, as well as other matter, is unavoidably crowded out this week; our next issue will contain a full resume up to date. The bill to amend the homestead law was defeated in the house yesterday.

PROSPECTS FOR TERMINAL.

Sam'l Spencer will be in charge of the Reorganized Company.

WASHINGTON, February 9.—The West Point Terminal Railroad company will be speedily reorganized by Drexel, Morgan & Company, with Sam Spencer in charge of the reorganization forces.

That this may be done, a controlling interest in the property has been purchased by Fred Vanderbilt (who has the five million dollar residence in Asheville), Wm. C. Whitney, McK. Twombly and Mr. Crimmins of the Traction company of New York.

Some of our Business Men.

The firm of Allen & Bowles is composed of J. F. Allen and J. A. Bowles, and occupies the fine brick store on the northwest corner of Main street.

The senior partner came here from Marion N. C. about ten years ago, and went into business with Messrs. Latta and Beard. After remaining some time as a clerk, he became a member of the new firm composed of H. C. Latta, himself and J. A. Bowles.

Mr. Allen married Miss Claudia, daughter of R. H. Field in Feb. 1891, and has one child, a daughter.

The junior partner has been a citizen of Hickory from boyhood, and has literally "grown up with the town." He served an apprenticeship in the office of The Carolina Eagle in the infancy of that paper, then engaged with Mr. J. B. Beard as an assistant postmaster, and on the latter's retirement succeeded him in the office. He served with great credit for three years, until the republican victory of 1888 brought about his removal.

His wife was Miss Minnie E. daughter of Mr. John W. White, of Statesville, and he, as well as his partner, rejoices in a daughter at his home.

Both these young gentlemen, by their pleasant manners, attention to duty, and unflinching courtesy have made themselves very popular with their customers, and are successful beyond expectation in their business.

They carry a well selected stock of from five to six thousand dollars, and their annual sales amount to some fifteen thousand dollars.

They have added to the prosperity of our town, and deserve what they have acquired, the good will of their fellow citizens.

Granite Falls Items.

Last Thursday was a lively day in our village. Quite a crowd attended the sale of the Russell Mfg. Co., after which the remainder of the day was spent in swapping horses.

February 5th, at the bride's home, by Mr. J. J. Brooks, Miss Maggie A Hayes and Mr. Burgess Crisp were married.

Dr. S. G. H. Jones will return to our village from Arkansas in a few days.

Mr. E. D. Moore has purchased the new residence recently erected by M. S. Lawrence of this place.

From present indications our good old friend, X. Y. Z. of the Newton Enterprise, must prophesy again on the weather question.

Mr. C. F. Cline closed his public school Friday.

SCRIPTOR.

Granite Falls, N. C. Feb. 11 '93.

Queen Victoria's hand is not of fairy like proportions by any means. She wears at us of the size 7½. They are always black and always shorter than the fashion of the hour demands. She began at the beginning of her reign with one-button gloves and has advanced only to four-buttons since. She wears only about two dozen pairs a year and each pair costs the royal wearer only \$8.6d.

Stockholders Meeting.

At a meeting of the Hickory Printing Company, Tuesday February 14, 1893, Mr. H. A. Murrill resigned its presidency and the editorship of the PRESS AND CAROLINIAN.

Mr. M. E. Thornton was elected editor of the paper, and Mr. J. G. Hall was elected president of the company.

The following resolution was unanimously adopted:

The stockholders of the Hickory Printing Company having this day accepted the resignation of Mr. Hugh A. Murrill, as president and a director in the company, would place on record their regret in thus parting with his active service in connection with the business both as editor and general manager of its affairs, which regret is the more felt that with his going out the record name of his deceased father goes out with the son leaving us tender memories of the past. We wish for Mr. Murrill all happiness and prosperity in the future, for his successor as director and editor Mr. M. E. Thornton we have the most cordial feeling and welcome him to the chair and place with hopes of his abundant satisfaction in his new work and home.

The Society of St. Cecilia.

This musical society in Hickory is composed of Mrs. C. M. Royster, president; Miss May Ramsour, secretary; Mrs. W. L. Abernethy, treasurer; Mrs. Edwina Chadwick, musical directress, and the following members: Mrs. H. M. Doll, L. Hunter, J. L. Murphy, L. H. Phillips, Misses Tena McIntosh, Ada Bolniwell, Blanche Little, Nettie Abernethy, Errol Hay, Gertrude Hall, Lois Seagle, Fannie Marler, Minnie Ellis, Susie Shuford, Maude Shuford, Jettie Abernethy, Annie Field, with the following honorary members: Mrs. C. A. Ciley, J. G. Hall, James B. Beard, M. E. Thornton and A. McIntosh.

On last Thursday night a most enjoyable musicale was held at Mrs. Chadwick's, and the delightful programme which we give below was rendered in a manner which showed marked improvement on the part of the performers, and afforded great pleasure to those of us who were fortunate enough to have braved the weather and attended:

1. Chorus—Thy Flowery Banks, from Meyerbeer's Huguenots.
2. Piano solo—Spinning Wheel, (Bendel) Miss Gertrude Hall.
3. Duet—On Mossy Banks, (Gilbert) Mrs. Phillips and Miss Nettie Abernethy.
4. Solo—Beauty's Eyes, (Tosti) Miss F. Marler.
5. Paper on St. Cecilia, Mrs. H. A. Murrill.
6. Duet—The Hunter, (Kueker) Mrs. Murphy, Misses Maude Shuford, Annie Field, Jettie Abernethy, G. Hall, B. Little, Susie Shuford, May Ramsour.
7. Piano Duet—Christmas Dance (Sherwood) Misses Essie and Lois Seagle.
8. Trio—Where Deepest Shadows, (Abt) Mrs. Murphy, Misses B. Little and Nettie Abernethy.
9. Recitation—Ode to St. Cecilia, (Dryden) Miss Annie Field.
10. Solo—Visions of St. Cecilia, (Lebone) Mrs. Chadwick.
11. Piano Solo—Invitations to Polka (Bendel) Miss Tena McIntosh.
12. Trio—My Polly-Wog, (arranged by Mrs. E. Chadwick) Mrs. Chadwick, Mrs. Phillips, Mrs. W. L. Abernethy, Misses N. Abernethy, M. Ramsour, T. McIntosh.
13. Chorus—Evening Song.

Mrs. Murrill's excellent paper on St. Cecilia was read by Miss Ramsour, and with the recitation of Dryden's famous ode, added much to the enjoyment of the evening.

We hope for another musicale in the near future.

STATE NEWS.

Charlotte is to have a new jail. \$77,000, has been subscribed for the Statesville cotton factory.

The Asheville committee on paving recommend an expenditure of \$55,000, of once.

Hardy Merrill who killed Mark Flinn in Madison county last week has been allowed to give \$5000 bail.

It has been suggested that Col John D. Cameron write the history of North Carolina. We approve it.

Sandy Jones was shot dead by policeman Rollins in a house of ill-fame at Durham last week.

J. B. Finlayson, operator at Haw river was rescued from death after he drank laudanum last Friday night.

Col. Shober of Salisbury and Gen. Cox of Raleigh, excongressmen, are being pressed for secretary of the senate.

Lloyd W. Smith, night clerk at the Battery Park Hotel, Asheville, shot himself in the right temple with a 38 revolver Saturday last, and died. No reason is given.

Gen. U. Doubleday, aged 69, well known in Asheville, died Saturday last at his home in Tryon, N. C. His brother, Gen. Abner Doubleday, recently died in New York, and this brother caught pneumonia while attending his funeral.

Herschel Ingram, of Avery's Creek, N. C. took a load of oats to Asheville February 7th and has not been heard of since. He left a new wife at home, and had forty dollars in his pocket.

The owners of the alliance store in Davie county started in business without consulting lawyers on their organization. Now they have failed and are hunting for lawyers to keep them from losing more than 75 cents on the dollar.

GENERAL NEWS.

Mr. Blaine left about \$800,000. Han Quay, of China, is a banker, and worth \$2,000,000,000.

A syndicate of Cleveland's friends will buy the New York Times.

Tennessee will not be represented at the big fair in Chicago.

The First National bank of Little Rock, Arkansas, has failed.

The official cabinet report is: Walter Q. Gresham, state, John G. Carlisle, Treasury; Dan S. Lamont, war; Wm. Bissell, attorney general.

Gov. Tishback, of Arkansas, wishes all southern governors to meet in Richmond April 2nd, 1893, to discuss plans for bringing capital and labor to the southern states.

A line of steamers will soon run from Savannah or Brunswick direct to English ports. This means a big bank in Georgia, and saving of middlemen's profits to the planters here.

Congress has spent \$50,000, to print obituaries of six dead members, and wasted time worth twice that to the nation in funeral services and mortuary resolutions. That whole thing needs reformation.

About 140 years ago a ship grounded so fast in the harbor of New York that she never got off. Last week in digging a cellar for a new building on Front street they struck the hull twenty feet under the ground.

The best and finest manure for early gardening can be purchased from J. C. Martin. 6:tf