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GENERAL NEWS.

A Partial List of the Week's Happenings Throughout the Country.

Robert G. Bidwell, of Washington, D. C., jumped from the Brooklyn bridge Tuesday and was killed.

Fumes following the explosion of dynamite in a mine near Iron Mountain, Mich., Tuesday killed eight miners.

Three passengers were killed and 16 injured—three perhaps fatally—in a collision on the Southern railway near Atlanta, Ga.

Two men were killed, four fatally injured and about 30 others more or less seriously hurt in a street car collision at Wilmington, Del., Friday morning.

Announcement is made of the engagement of Associate Justice Brewer of the United States Supreme Court and Miss Emma Miner Mott, a well known school teacher of Washington.

A company with a capital stock of \$2,225,000 has just been organized to build the Washington cotton mill at Carice, on New river, Grayson county, Va. It will be one of the biggest plants of the kind in the south.

A rowboat containing a merry party of eight young persons was swept over Flat Rock dam, in the Schuylkill river, about 2 o'clock Thursday afternoon and seven of them—five girls and two boys—were drowned. The victims were all Philadelphians.

At Lookout, Modoc county, Cal., Calvin Hall, his three sons and a young man living with Hall, were arrested for horse stealing. Thursday night the five men were taken from custody by a mob of about 50 persons and all were hanged.

At Covington, Ky., Friday night Mrs. Kate Hester, aged 32, after a quarrel with her husband, Otis, aged 42, at the supper table, shot and killed him, as well as their 3-year old daughter, after which she put the revolver to her own head and blew out her brains.

Fifteen colored fishermen are supposed to have been drowned while fishing outside the bar at Charleston, S. C., Friday. There were eight boats in the fleet and they were scattered by wind storm. All save three of the boats returned in safety but these with their crews have not since been heard from.

Twenty-two American gentlemen, dressed in the deep black of British court mourning, representing many millions of money and vast commercial interests, were the guests of King Edward Saturday at Windsor. They were the delegates of the New York chamber of commerce. Morgan was the center of attraction. The king received the delegation cordially, and was disappointed that Andrew Carnegie was unable to attend.

The United States Supreme Court Tuesday affirmed the judgment of the Supreme Court of the State of Washington in the case of Charles W. Nordstrom, under sentence of death on the charge of murder committed in that State, and directed that the mandate be issued at once. The case has become famous by reason of the fact that Nordstrom's death sentence has been postponed for nine years by reason of legal complications.

George D. Herron, former professor of applied Christianity in Iowa College, at Grinnell, Iowa, is no longer a Congregationalist. He was tried by a council of ministers and elders of the church representing eight organizations, on the charge of "conduct unbecoming a Christian and a gentleman." Evidence was introduced to show cruel treatment of his "unusually loyal and devoted wife," which finally resulted in divorce proceedings and legal separation. The council decided that the charges were sustained and voted unanimously to expel him from the church.

John D. Rockefeller has placed at the disposal of a body of prominent medical men \$200,000, to be available for immediate expenditure by an association incorporated under the name of "The Rockefeller Institute for Medical Research." The home of this institute, with such laboratories, staff, and equipments as may be found necessary, will be located in New York city.

The little town of Jasper, county seat of Jasper county, Texas, was entirely wiped out Sunday morning by fire. Seventeen houses, including every business house in the place and a number of residences, were destroyed. Previous to the fire the postoffice safe had been blown open and robbed. The safe of the county treasurer was also found to have been blown open and rifled of its contents. The conclusion of the people of Jasper is that the robbers blew open these safes and then set fire to the town to cover up their crime and create an excitement which would afford them an opportunity to escape. The loss is estimated at \$100,000 by the fire, but it is not yet learned what the thieves secured from the safes.

The strange sliding movement of the city of Butte, Mont., which has been noticeable at intervals for several years, has again manifested itself by five large cracks in the earth in different sections of the city. The largest crevice occurs on West Galena street, where a crack 12 inches wide and of considerable length and depth has appeared. Three of the openings on the west side of the town and two on the east side. There is no caving, but a distinct parting of the earth, and the granite walls can easily be seen in them. The gas and water companies have much trouble from the strange movement, which frequently breaks their underground pipes. City Engineer Rockenbach says the engineering department of the city encounters the same trouble, as elevations and bench marks in certain parts of the city are constantly changing. This is particularly true of the section west of Main street and north of Broadway, where the marks have been known to shift to the extent of a foot in a very short time. What is causing the strange phenomenon is not known, but its continuance is beginning to cause some alarm among the citizens of Butte.

Gov. McSweeney, of South Carolina acting, he said, in accordance with the wishes of the people who did not wish a primary with its incident strife and unrest, refused to accept the resignation of Senators Tillman and McLaurin. These resignations were made at a political meeting in Gaffney, May 25th, and were mailed the governor that night. He received them the following morning when about to leave for Chickamauga to participate in the unveiling of a monument to South Carolina's dead. The governor returned home early Friday morning and announced his decision shortly afterward. He wrote a communication to the senators in which he first said that he "returned their resignations for further consideration," as their action might have been taken in the heat of debate and without full consideration of the effects upon the people. In the closing paragraphs of his letter, however, the governor unequivocally declines to accept the resignations. His reasons may be put in a few words. A canvass between them would result in bitterness, stir up the people just at a period when they are trying to get together for the material progress of the state and would be a campaign of personalities instead of education. Next year there will be ample opportunity for a full discussion. Holding these views, the governor says his duty is plain.

Now is the time to get your tobacco flues. I want you to see my work and get prices before you buy.
R. F. SMITH,
Benson, N. C.

SCHOOL BOOKS ADAPTED.

Work of the Text Book Commission Completed. Holmes' Readers and Maury's Geographies Remain on the List. Prices Greatly Reduced.

The books to be used in the public schools of North Carolina for the next five years have been adopted by the Text Book Commission in accordance with a law passed by the last General Assembly of North Carolina. The task before the Commission was a great one and we believe they have done their work well.

The books adopted are as follows:

UNIVERSITY PUBLISHING CO.
Hansell's smaller U. S. History, old price, 60 cents; adoption price, 40 cents.
Hansell's Large History, old price \$1; adoption price, 70 cents.
Maury's Elementary Geography, old price, 55 cents; adoption price, 40 cents.
Maury's Manual, old price, \$1.25; adoption price, 88 cents.
Maury's Physical Geography, old price, \$1.20; adoption price, 90 cents.
Holmes' Readers, entire series of five books, old price, \$2.02; adoption price, in boards, \$1.25, in cloth, \$1.40.

B. F. JOHNSON & COMPANY.
Johnson's Physical Culture, 25 cents.
Colaw & Elwood's Arithmetics, Smaller Book, boards, 22 cents; cloth 24 cents. Advanced Book, boards, 45 cents, cloth, 46 cents.
Smithdeal's Slant Copy Books, 5 cents and 6 cents.

HEATH & COMPANY.
Language Lessons—Hyde's New Book, 24 cents.
Vertical Writing, 6 books, 5 and 6 cents.

NEWSOM & COMPANY.
Beuhler's Grammar, 50 cents.
AMERICAN BOOK COMPANY.
Harrington's Speller, old price, 20 cents; adoption price, 15 cents.
Steele's Physics, old price, 50 cents; adoption price, 45 cents.
Milne's Mental Arithmetic, 25 cents.
SILVER, BURDETT & COMPANY.
Normal Course in Drawing, 9 books, Nos. 1 to 3, 8 cents each; Nos. 4 to 9, 15 cents each.
No satisfactory History of North Carolina was offered and the Commission will readvertise for such a history.

No book was adopted on Civil Government and Agriculture.
Primers—Moses Reader, 10 cents, by E. P. Moses, published by B. F. Johnson & Co., (conditional.)
History—History of the Negro Race, 40 cents, Edwards & Broughton. For use in colored schools.
Hyde's Language Lessons, Book 1 is made optional at a price of 22 cents.

It will be noticed that the University Publishing Company, of New York, get the lion's share of the books, securing the histories, geographies and readers. Newsom & Company, of Philadelphia, get the grammars. The B. F. Johnson Company, of Richmond, get the arithmetics, the books on Physical culture, the slanting copy books and Moses Readers. The American Book Company, of New York, get the spellers, the mental arithmetics and Steele's Physiologies. Heath & Company, of New York, get the vertical copy books and language lessons.

The changes in the books will not be as many as was expected. Of the books adopted the following are already in use in the schools in Johnston county:

Holmes' Readers, Hansell's Histories, Harrington's Spellers, Maury's Geographies and Steele's Physiologies.
The following have not been used in the schools of this county heretofore:
Beuhler's Grammars, Milne's Mental Arithmetics, Johnson's Culture, Colaw & Elwood's Arithmetics, Hyde's Language Lessons, Smithdeal's copy books and Heath's vertical copy books.

STATE NEWS.

Short Items of Interest Culled From our State Exchanges.

Thirty-one young men were given diplomas at Wake Forest College commencement last week.

Last Tuesday Trinity College conferred the degree upon Governor Aycock and Senator Simmons.

A contract has been let to build a court house and jail at Laurinburg for the new county of Scotland.

The State Board of Agriculture has appropriated \$9,000 to make an exhibit at the Charlotte exposition next winter.

Dr. Henry Louis Smith, who was at one time principal of Selma Academy, was last week inaugurated president of Davidson College.

Mr. Jacob Harmon died at his home in Cleveland county last week, aged 93 years. Three years ago his wife died at the age of 86 years.

The Supreme Court has granted a new trial in the Gattis-Kilgo libel suit holding that Judge Hoke was in error in his instructions to the jury.

The North Carolina Teachers Assembly will meet at Wrightsville Beach next week, beginning the 11th. Many of the State's leading educators will be present and make addresses.

The State Board of Agriculture has abolished the office of immigration commissioner, which was a sinecure paying \$2,500 a year. The office was established two years ago and has resulted in no good to the State.

Last week application was made to the Secretary of State for articles of incorporation of the "Hammer College of Science and Healing" at High Point. The Secretary refused to grant the articles. There is no room in North Carolina for a Faith Cure college.

The Pee Dee correspondent of the Rockingham Headlight accuses sanctificationists of exciting young ladies to burn themselves, thinking they are thus doing service to God. They have succeeded in agitating the minds of some of the people to a high pitch, in fact some are so wrought up about it that they are on the verge of insanity.

It is said that the Gattis-Kilgo case will come up for trial at Granville Superior Court in July, Judge Shaw presiding. It is also said that Messrs. Frank I. Osborne, of Charlotte, and Clement Manly, of Winston, have been retained for Dr. Kilgo's side of the case. There is talk that an effort will be made to secure the removal of the case from Granville county.

Writing of the flood in Ashe a correspondent of the Raleigh Post says: Special sympathy is expressed for Shubal Lousford, a very old gentleman, who lives near the Healing Springs. He owned one of the finest river bottoms in the country. A month ago it was badly washed and all his fencing was lost. This time the river tore right through the heart of the old man's bottom and will not, some think, retire to its original bed at all, but continue to flow through the bottom. This farm is valued at \$12,000.

Some time ago J. H. McCarver, a young white man, was sitting on the tract of the Southern Railway while drunk and was run over and killed by a train. His father sued for \$2,000 damages and the suit was tried in Gaston Superior Court at Dallas last week. The judge instructed the jury that in estimating the amount they should consider what wages he would reasonably have earned the balance of his life, taking it for granted that they would stay within the limits of the amount sued for. But to the surprise of the court they decided that he should have \$2,269.98.

Rev. Thomas Hume, D. D., LL.D., professor of English Literature at Chapel Hill, delivered the baccalaureate address at the Southern Baptist Theological Seminary at Louisville, Ky., last week. His subject was "Literature and Morals," and the Louisville Courier-Journal pronounced it an "incomparable discourse."

Charged with deserting wife and children, collecting insurance money on proof of wife's death, and committing bigamy, Will J. Tyson, a young white man, a carpenter by trade, is behind the bars in Wake county jail awaiting the day of trial. Tyson married his second wife in Raleigh after he had collected the insurance on the life of his first wife, whom he falsely represented as dead after he had deserted her and the five children she bore him.

Some time ago W. B. Stancill, superintendent of a convict camp in Mecklenburg, was searching for an escaped convict and found his man in Gaston county. Stancill had no warrant but when the convict fled he shot at him, inflicting a wound which caused his death. Stancill was tried in Gaston Superior Court, convicted and sentenced to four months on the chain gang. He appealed and the Supreme Court last week affirmed the decision of the lower court. Thereupon, upon application, the Governor pardoned Stancill and the latter didn't have to go to the roads.

A Frank Advertiser.

A gentleman who has a Christian spirit and a horse for sale advertises as follows in a Minnesota paper:

We have a good family driving horse for sale, providing you carry insurance.

He is not over particular as to feed. In fact, he prefers our neighbors' haystacks and corncribs to our own.

We feed him whenever we can catch him, which is seldom.

He is partly gentle. The other parts are not, and you must govern yourself accordingly.

We will throw in the derrick and telegraph pole combination which we use to hitch him up with.

If you are fond of driving we would advise you to engage a cowboy that owns a fast horse to do your driving, and be sure and get on top of the bar before he begins to drive the horse.

For price and owner's address apply to the owner.

Fishing Boats Missing.

Saint Brieux, France, June 5.—Five fishing boats which went on a fishing cruise in Iceland waters have been missing for two months and are now believed to have foundered in a gale April 6th. Their entire crews, numbering 117 men, are supposed to have perished. There is general mourning here and in the neighboring villages.

Threat Against Churches.

Somerville, Mass., June 3.—The sexton of the Third Universalist Church, in West Somerville today found a note on the front door of the church making a threat that by next Sunday all of the West Somerville churches will be destroyed by dynamite unless Saturday is observed as a holy day. The note, which was written with a pencil, reads as follows:

"I, the Lord, live to reign. This church perhaps opened for the last time yesterday. All the churches in West Somerville will be destroyed by dynamite before next Sunday morning unless the pastors hold services and observe next Saturday as a holy day."

The note is similar to one which was posted on the doors of the North Cambridge churches yesterday.

The bilious, tired, nervous man cannot successfully compete with his healthy rival. DeWitt's Little Early Risers the famous pills for constipation will remove the cause of your troubles. Hood Bros., Hare & Son, J. R. Ledbetter.

"Allies" In a Fight.

Tientsin, China, June 3.—There was a serious affray here yesterday among international troops. Some British Fusiliers, who were acting as police, sought to prevent French soldiers from alleged housebreaking, when they were attacked with bayonets and bricks. The Fusiliers, in self-defense, it is said, fired in the air.

This brought a number of Germans to the aid of the Frenchmen. They numbered together 200 men. Five Fusiliers fired again, killing a Frenchman and wounding three others. In subsequent fighting, four Fusiliers, five Germans and one Japanese were wounded.

The arrival of a German officer and a strong guard ended the fray.

A Saving of Money.

That the purchasers of school books in North Carolina will save some \$40,000 the first year of the change to State adoption is one fruit of the legislation which brought about the heavy cut in the prices of school books. It is estimated that \$120,000 would have been spent, with no reduction in the prices heretofore paid in this State, when State adoption went into effect, but the final outcome of the work of the State Text Book Commission has been to reduce the amount to some \$80,000.

There has been a seeming delay in reaching a decision as to the books to be adopted, but as this delay has secured so material a reduction in price it is found not to have been unnecessary. The members of the Commission went at the work with the desire to benefit the people of the State in the selection of books, and they knew that a great benefit would be a slashing into the prices that had ruled in buying books. That they succeeded in this lopping off of big profits can be seen when the old and the new prices are compared, and will be a joyful realization to the parent when he is called on to pay for books for his children this fall.

In passing, it may be well to recall that it is the Democratic party that is putting the "cheap only in cost" book into the schools of the State. Always with the people and of the people, it is doing its accustomed work in saving the dollars for the people.—News and Observer.

County Commissioners' Proceedings.

The Board of County Commissioners met Monday in regular session, all being present.

The petition for new road leading from road near E. S. Lassiter's to Smithfield and Lillingston road near E. D. Johnson's was granted. The road is to be laid out without any cost to the county. W. C. Lassiter, L. R. Moore, J. E. Lassiter, J. W. Lassiter and W. H. Flowers, were appointed to lay out and establish the road.

J. R. Benson was granted peddler's license free of cost.

The Selma Graded School election was ratified and the returns recorded. It was ordered that the sum of 20 cents on the \$100 and 60 cents on the poll be levied for the maintenance of said school.

The following taxes were levied for 1901: On each poll 34 cents for county purposes; on each \$100 23% cents for county purposes; same tax under schedule B. and C. as State levies. In the stock-law territory 25 cents on each \$100 real estate was levied for stock-law purposes.

It was ordered that list-takers be paid \$2.00 for each copy sheet and \$1.00 per day and mileage for listing taxes and returning lists.

It was ordered that the Finance Committee meet in Smithfield, June 29th, to settle with the Sheriff.

The usual accounts were allowed.

Stops the Cough and Works off the Cold

Laxative Bromo-Quinine Tablets cure a cold in one day. No Cure, no Pay. Price 25 cents