THE WEATHER.

Fair, continued colder Thursday; Friday not so cold; moderate northwest winds.

THE MORNING STAR

FOUNDED A.D. 1867

THE HOLIDAYS

Are you getting your share of the holiday business? Have you a right to expect your share a little later on? Your invitation to the buying public, will look well in these columns.

VOL. LXXXVII—NO. 77. WILMINGTON, N. C., WEDNESDAY MORNING, DECEMBER 21, 1910. WHOLE NUMBER 13,484.

State Library

THE DIAZ TROOPS TO CRUSH REVOLT

Government Soldiers Plan to Trap Rebels in Mountains of Mexico.

MAY BE END OF THE TROUBLE

Troops Hurrying to Zone of Insurrecto Activity—Madero Reported in Mexican Territoy—An Attack Soon.

Mexico City, Dec. 20.—The tenth battalion of infantry, a battery of six light artillery, mountain guns; and one rapid fire gun, left here today in two special trains for the zone of insurrecto activity in Chiahuahua. Another train carrying two regiments of infantry is said to have left Guadalajara last night for the same destination.

The force from this city is in command of General Sanchez Rivera and Col. Rafael Lis, and is said to be intended to reinforce Col. Guzman at Pedernales.

According to official information the government forces are preparing to deliver a crushing blow to the revolutionists. The situation is said to be as follows:

On one side of the valley of Malpaso (bad pass) is the force of General Navarro, numbering 1,000 men. Col. Guzman is on the other side with a force of 340 troops. He received orders to wait for reinforcements.

Troops are being hurried to the front to raise the force of Col. Guzman to 1,000 men and then the attack will be made from two sides.

In high official circles, it is believed that the rebels are now trapped beyond hope of escape.

Francisco I. Madero, the head of the insurrectionary movement, is again reported to be in Mexican territory, according to a story which appeared in El Heraldo Mexicano, this afternoon. The report is based upon a letter received from Chiahuahua by responsible persons in this city. Madero is said to have slipped across the border recently and to be now in Ojinaga at the head of the rebels, who were formerly under the command of Anraham Gonzales.

Troop Train Shot to Pieces.

Chiahuahua, Mexico, Dec. 20.—Forty-two wounded government soldiers were brought in today thus confirming reports that the troop train which left here Saturday was shot to pieces in the mountain trap known as Malpaso, a few miles east of Padernales, and about 120 miles west of here. The official report states that the Federals lost 21 killed and ten missing and 42 wounded. The latter includes Col. Guzman, who was in command of the expedition. The insurrectos loss is not known here.

The train left here Saturday, traveling in two sections, carrying three field pieces on a coal car and 500 soldiers. Pancho Villa, the bandit who, while operating independently, still regards the government as his enemy, fired on the second section as it was passing through Andania Canon, but did no damage.

The mountains of Malpaso, however, swarmed with revolutionists. They halted the first and second sections. Col. Guzman disembarked his troops and for five hours defended himself from the desperate charge. He was in a trap, however. His enemy was on the heights, sheltered by boulders and other protection north to the mountains and poured in a deadly fire. He was unable to use his big guns effectively owing to the nature of the ground. Notwithstanding his precarious condition and the numbers of the insurrectos he held his ground for five hours. He was shot through the leg while the third officer in command was raked across the stomach.

Worn out with the one-sided battle Col. Guzman loaded his dead and wounded together with the remainder of his force on to the troop train and ran back to Bustillos. Here the uninjured disembarked and buried their dead.

A freight train sent out from here Sunday to load cattle at Bustollos was countermanded and the wounded transferred to it. This train arrived early today and the injured were taken to the hospital El Corrosponsal.

SOUTHERN RAILROAD WINS.

South Carolina Loses in Merger Suit—Details.

Columbia, S. C., Dec. 20. — After a trial lasting more than three weeks, a jury in the County Court today returned a verdict in favor of the Southern Railway in the suit in which the State of South Carolina sought to dissolve the merger of the Southern and several State roads, the Asheville & Spartanburg railroad, the South Carolina & Georgia, the South Carolina & Georgia extension and the Carolina Midland.

In his charge, Judge Shipp held that competition as used in the constitutional prohibition of a merger of competing or parallel lines, applied to lines that compete substantially and legally. Competition on business handled by connections with other lines at junction points or on short stretches of parallel lines, the court held, could not be considered within the prohibitive clause. The State is expected to take an appeal.

Austrian Baroness Now Ranks Wives of Diplomats

BARONESS HENGELMULLER

WOMAN KIDNAPPER IS GUILTY

Black Hand Dealt Another Blow in Brooklyn, N. Y.—Will Go to Prison for at Least Five Years—Quick Verdict.

New York, Dec. 20. — Justice dealt the Black Hand a quick body blow in Brooklyn today, with the conviction in less than six hours of a woman kidnapper. She is Maria Rappa, a frail, weazened Italian woman of not more than 30 years.

A jury in the Kings County Court after only ten minutes deliberation found her guilty of abetting the kidnapping of little Michael Rizzo and Guiseppe Longo. The penalty is not less than five years and not more than fifty years in State's prison. Sentence will be pased next Tuesday.

The woman sat stolidly through the proceedings and flatly denied any complicity in the case. It was in her apartments, however, that the Longo boy was found.

Judge Fawcette expressed gratification over the verdict and pronounced it the "severest blow to the Black Hand" since he has been on the bench.

Stanislaus Pittenza, indicted with the woman, will be placed on trial tomorrow. Eight other prisoners, all arrested in connection with the case, are then to be tried.

William Beall, a young clerk, arrested through a trap set by the late Joseph Petrosino, the New York detective assassinated in Italy, was found guilty today on an indictment charging him with ending a threatening letter through the mail to Dr Marker G. Dadirrian, of this city. The missive signed "Black Hand," set forth that inasmuch as Dr. Dadirrian had paid no attention to demands for money, "your money cannot save you now. You must die."

The punishment provided is a year's imprisonment, a fine of $500 or both.

SUPREME COURT OPINIONS.

Twenty Appeals Disposed of Yesterday—Christmas Recess.

(Special Star Correspondence.)

Raleigh, N. C., Dec. 20.—The Supreme Court delivered opinions in 20 appeals this evening and it is expected that final delivery will be made Friday and adjournment for the term taken. Opinions just delivered follow: Jones and Taylor vs. Balsey, Guilford, new trial; Lane vs. North Carolina Railroad, Davidson, new trial; Turner vs. Southern Power Company, et al., Mecklenburg, no error; Council vs. Bailey, Catawba, reversed; Witherell vs. Murphy and Moon, Yancey, affirmed; McDonald vs. McArthur, McDowell, defendants appear, no error; Carswell vs. Western Union Telegraph Company, McDowell, no error; Gillian vs. Edmondson, Burke, no error; Crawford vs. Town of Marion, McDowell, affirmed; Marlowe vs. Bland, Rutherford, affirmed; Bailey vs. Meadows Co., McDowell, petition to re-hear sustained as to Meadows & Co., dismissed as to defendant railroad company; State vs. Simmons, Buncombe, no error; Brevard Land and Lumber Co., vs. Kinsland, Transylvania, new trial; Beal vs. Champion Fibre Co., Buncombe, no error; Wilson vs. Wills, Buncombe, affirmed; Weaver vs. Cotton Mills Co., Buncombe, affirmed; Luther and Webb vs. Southern Railroad Co., Buncombe, reversed; State vs. Malloney, Jackson, no error; Rogers vs. Gennett Lumber Co., Macon, no error; Kelly vs. Trimont Lodge of Odd Fellows, Macon, no erro.

THE PROGRESS IN EDUCATION

Comprehensive Review in Annual Report of Dr. Elmer Brown—Colleges Should Agree on Admission Requirements.

Washington, December 20. — A comprehensive review of the progress made in American education during the past year is contained in the first volume of the annual report of Dr. Elmer Ellsworth Brown, Commissioner of Education of the United States made public today.

There are many activities closely related to education which have received a large measure of attention in recent months, according to Commissioner Brown. Libraries and museums, apprenticeships, public playgrounds, home and school associations — such interests as these are sometimes treated as lying just outside of the educational enclosure.

"There is," he says, "an unmistakable tendency to widen the enclosure and to bring these things into some relation with the regular scholastic administration.

"There are, moreover, numerous undertakings which look to an extension of educational opportunites to those who have left school and have passed the age of compulsory schooling. Evening and other 'continuation' schools, public lectures, correspondence courses, home studies of the chatauqua type, are all familiar examples.

"Some of these things," he says, "are disinctively American and have helped to make a reputation for American educational enterprise abroad.

"The extension of the area of compulsory school attendance has gone forward," says Commissioner Brown, "but the number of young Americans who are allowed to grow up with only meagre schooling is still distressingly large."

Taking up the subject of higher education, Dr. Brown says that this work in the country is one "great natoinal undertaking, the prosecution of which is divided out among many institutions."

He declares that there should be an agreement among the colleges with respect to admission requirements which should go away with minor differences that harass the preparatory schools. This he argues would rid the educational situation of some of its most serious embarrassments.

WHAT TAFT TOLD THEM.

Does Not Seem to Satisfy the Morehead-Butlerites.

(Raleigh News and Observer.)

Washington, D. C., Dec. 16.—Just what happened at the White House yesterday when Congressman Morehead and his flying squadron dropped in to see the President, was a subject of much discussion at the National capital today. Little by little the inside of what happened is coming to the surface. It is known that the Tar Heel visitors are not very much pleased with what the President had to say to them. His conversation was not of a very reassuring character. Mr. Morehead and his friends let it be known that they wanted the State chairman to dish out the pie. They made known their opposition to Duncan as a participant in the distribution of the patronage. But the President was not disposed to make any air-tight promises, and this very fact was the occasion of no little gloom amongst some of the visitors to the White House.

ROCKEFELLER HAS COMPLETED TASK

Gives the Final $10,000,000 In the Founding of University of Chicago

LEAVES IT TO OTHER DONORS

Withdraws Further Representation in Its Control—Has Given Approximately $35,000,000 to the Institution.

Chicago, December 2.—John D. Rockefeller has completed the task he set for himself in the founding of the University of Chicago. Today public announcement was made of a "single and final" gift of $10,000,000, which includes all the contributions that Mr. Rockefeller had planned to make to the University.

This sum, which is to be paid in ten annual installments, beginning January 1st, will make a total of approximately $35,000,000 that Mr. Rockefeller has donated to the University.

Mr. Rockefeller says he now believes the school should be supported and enlarged by the gifts of many rather than those of a single donor. This, he believes, will be better accomplished if the public understands the limit of his contemplated assistance. The founding of new departments he leaves to the trustees as he says funds may be furnished by other friends of the University.

Up to the present time, the sum of nearly $7,000,000 has been donated the University in addition to Mr. Rockefeller's gifts.

With the announcement of Mr. Rockefeller's final donation came the resignation of John D. Rockefeller, Jr., and Fred T. Gates, Mr. Rockefeller's personal representatives from the University board of trustees.

In enclosing these resignations, Mr. Rockefeller explained that he was only carrying out a conviction that the institution should be "controlled, conducted and supported by the people," with whom up to this date he had been simply co-operating.

Mr. Rockefeller's ideas, it is understood, is that he is turning over the institution and its endowment to Chicago and the West, and in so doing withdraws from any further representation in its control.

The official announcement of the benefaction was made at the quarterly convocation at the University this afternoon. President Martin A. Ryerson, of the board of trustees, read a letter from Mr. Rockefeller in New York, which bore date of December 13th and was addressed to the president and trustees of the Univerity of Chicago.

FATAL FOR THREE.

Men Injured in Explosion in Sampson County—Death.

(Special Star Telegram.)

Clinton, N. C., Dec. 20.—Samuel Faircloth, Cleveland Williams and Daniel Bass, three of the men injured in the boiler explosion near Orange, Sampson county, last week, have died of their injuries.

Henry Tew, who was lingering between life and death, is improving and his recovery is hoped for.

Dallas Herring, a prominent citizen, died at his home south of here today after a prolonged illness. He was about 50 years old and leaves a family.

A HURRICANE RAGING.

Worst in New Foundland in Years—Shipping Disasters.

St. Johns, B. F., Dec. 20.—New Foundland is in the grip of a hurricane declared to be the worst that has been known here for many years. The storm has been raging for 48 hours and shows no signs of cessation. Fear is expressed that many shipping disasters will be recorded before the storm blows itself out.

OUTLINES.

A wealthy Granville county farmer, his daughter and grandchild were brutally murdered at Hester Monday night and the home set fire in an attempt to conceal the crime. A negro believed to be guilty, has been arrested.——John D. Rockefeller has completed his task in the founding of the University of Chicago in making his final gift of $10,000,000 to the institution yesterday.——The government soldiers in Mexico have been sent to the zone of the insurrecto activity and have planned to crush the revolt——A woman was yesterday convicted of kidnapping in Brooklyn and will be sentenced to a term in prison. This is considered a crushing blow to the blackhand.——A comprehensive review of the progress in American education is contained in the annual report of Dr. Elmer Ellsworth Brown.——New York markets: Money on call steady 3 1-4 to 3 1-2, ruling rate 3 1-4, closing bid and offered at 3 1-4. Spot cotton closed quiet, 10 points lower, middling uplands 15.15; middling gulf 15.40. Flour was fairly active with prices about steady. Wheat firm, No. 2, 98 3-8 elevator and 97 7-8 f.o.b. afloat. Corn barely steady, No. 2 new 52 3-4 f.o.b. afloat. Oats steady, futures closed 1-4 cents decline to 1-4c advance. Turpentine firm.

GUNBOAT HORNET CLOSELY WATCHED

Feared She May be Preparing to Aid in Revolution at Honduras.

CUSTOM OFFICERS ON BOARD

Consul Requests State Department to Prevent Steamer From Sailing—Still in the Mississippi River at Midnight.

New Orleans, December 20. — The United States revenue cutter Davy today anchored alongside the steamer Hornet and special customs inspectors were placed on shore opposite the Hornet's anchorage with instructions to report promptly any activities observed in connection with her preparations for sailing. A special agent of the Honduran government was also keeping watch on the alleged revolutionary craft.

At midnight the Hornet still lays in the Mississippi river. It is not known when she will sail.

Washington, December 20. — The Honduran minister today protested to the State Department against permitting the departure of the steamer Hornet from New Orleans on the ground that the vessel contemplates leading a revolutionary expedition against President Davila. The complaint was based upon advices received from the Honduran consul at New Orleans, who reported that he was convinced that the Hornet would be used in a filibustering expedition against the government. The minister in the light of this information laid the matter before the State Department officials for such action as this government deemed proper to prevent the alleged utilization of a port of the United States as a base of war operation.

The State Department officials feel that all of the usual precautions have been adopted to prevent the embarkation on the Hornet of a hostile expedition directed against the government. Acting through the Department of Justice and the treasury, the State Department has had a close surveillance maintained over the Hornet.

It is realized that the Hornet might meet another vessel at sea and embark men and arms. Or they might be taken aboard at some little frequented Central American port, as was done in the case of the Venus which was purchased by the Madriz faction in Nicaragua to operate against Estrada.

To prevent a repetition of that affair orders have been sent to the commander of the United States ship Tacoma, now at Puerto Cortez, to endeavor to prevent the landing on the Honduran coast of any expedition that appears to have originated in the United States.

Meanwhile, there have been some internal troubles in Honduras to distress President Davilla, according to a telegraphic report to the State Department from United States Minister McCreay, dated yesterday at Tegucigalpa.

The minister says that last Friday Colonel Albarado, of the Honduran army, led an uprising against the government at a place called Aliana, on the Salvadorean frontier. The government troops dispersed the band several of whom crossed the frontier into Salvador, including the leader Colonel Albarado. The President of Salvador, upon the request of President Davilla, has ordered Salvadorean troops to guard the frontier. Mr. McCreary concludes that it is not yet absolutely clear whether the attempted uprising was to be ultimately directed against Honduras or Salvador.

BIG FIRE AT THOMASVILLE.

Cramer Furniture Plant Destroyed Entailing Loss of $200,000.

Greensboro, N. C., Dec. 20. — Fire of unknown origin at Thomasville tonight destroyed the main plant of the Cramer Furniture Company, together with storage, finishing and shipping rooms, dry kilns and two hundred thousand feet of lumber, entailing a loss conservatively estimated at $200,000.

The fire was discovered shortly after the plant closed down for the day but owing to a high wind and inadequate fire fighting equipment, the flames spread rapidly and it required four hours fighting of volunteer bucket brigades to save adjacent property.

The plant destroyed manufactured chairs and tables and was owned by Stuart W. Cramer, of Charlotte; T. J. Cramer and John Myers, of Thomasville, and the Whiting Company, of Winton, Mass. The company employed 500 men and fully 300 of the number will be thrown out of employment for several months. The plant was insured for a little more than one-third the total loss.

DR. COO KCOMING HOME.

Will Arrive on Steamship Geo. Washington Next Thursday.

New York, Dec. 20.—Dr. Frederick A. Cook, the traveler of Brooklyn, will return here on the steamship George Washington, which is due to arrive Thursday evening. Dr. Cook has not been in the city since his disappearance shortly after the submission of his polar records to the University of Copenhagen over a year ago.

TO WED MISS GOULD.

LORD DECIES

Mr. and Mrs. George J. Gould will soon announce the engagement of their daughter, Vivien, to Lord Decies, of London.

MRS. TURNBULL STAR WITNESS

Met Attacks of Cross-Examiners and Gamely Fought Back—Seeking $2,500,000 as Daughter's Share of Estate.

Los Angeles, Cal., Dec. 20.—More letters came from the past today to confront Mrs. Lillian Ashley Turnbull, star witness in the "Lucky" Baldwin will case, but the woman who is fighting for $2,500,000 as her daughter's share of the late turfman's estate, not only met the attacks of the cross examiner, but fought back.

The questions hurled at her made the women in the court room blush.

"Yes, I said these letters were forgeries," she said defiantly, referring to letters concerning her acquaintanceship with Col. Albert Pope, millionaire Boston manufacturer. "I said they were forgeries, emphatically so. If you ask me why so, ask Mr. James R. Wood, who forged so many others."

James R. Wood is the Boston detective who, according to the testimony, arranged a settlement between Pope and Mrs. Turnbull in 1894, when Pope is said to have purchased for her a house in Pasadena.

Wood was in court and when Mrs. Turnbull expressed doubt as to the authenticity of one of the letters said to have been written by her, Gavin McNab, the cross examiner, said he would refresh her memory by giving her a glimpse of Wood.

"Stand up Mr. Wood," he said.

Wood arose. He is an elderly man with a white moustache.

"Yes, that is James R. Wood," quickly responded Mrs. Turnbull, "and I wish to say that Mr. Wood is the wickedest man I ever knew."

McNab, in cross examination endeavored to show the jury that Mrs. Turnbull had not been an unsophisticated woman until she met "Lucky" Baldwin as she alleges. In this connection he introduced a letter which she admitted she had written to Lewis Leach, president of the Farmers' Bank, of Fresno, Cal., some time in 1889.

Attorneys for the estate said later that they had scored a tacital advantave by Mrs. Turnbull's admission of this letter.

In one of these alleged forgeries occurred a passage describing an oath Mrs. Turnbull took regarding the paternity of Miss Beatrice Anita Turnbull, the plaintiff. At written, it read:

"May God smite me into a thousand atoms if Col. Albert Pope is not the father of my child."

"That is a forged interpretation," promptly interrupted Mrs. Turnbull. I did make such an oath on my knees in the office of James R. Wood. But I said then 'May God smite me in a thousand atoms if E. J. Baldwin is not the father of my child, and if he was not married to me by contract prior to my entering marriage elations with him."

"Why is it, Mrs. Turnbull," queried Attorney McNab, "that your memory is so clear on things that favor you, and so bad as to things that do not favor you?"

"Shame has burned some things on my memory, Mr. McNab. Then, too, there are things a woman never forgets," Mrs. Turnbull replied.

KNAPP IS CONFIRMED.

Will be Chief Justice of New Court of Commerce.

Wasington, Dec. 20.—Martin A. Knapp was confirmed today by the Senate to be an additional Circuit Court judge for the United States for the second judicial circuit. Automatically he ceased to be chairman of the Interstate Commerce Commission and now is ready to ascend the bench of the Court of Commerce as chief justice of that tribunal once it is organized. The names of the four other members of the proposed court now are in the hands of a sub-committee of the committee on the judiciary and will be reported out shortly.

In order to fill the vacancies on the Interstate Commerce Commission the Senate Committee on Interstate Commerce held a special meeting today and decided to report favorably on the names of the C. C. McChord, of Kentucky, and B. H. Meyer, of Wisconsin, to be members of the commission. Their names will be reported to the Senate tomorrow and it is expected they will be promptly confirmed.

REVOLTING CRIME STIRS GRANVILLE

Wealthy Farmer, Daughter and Grand Child Alleged Victims of Negro.

LYNCHING NARROWLY AVERTED

Set Home Afire in Effort to Conceal the Crime—Assaulted Young Woman Before the Murders. All Three Killed.

Durham, N. C., Dec. 20.—The charred bones of J. L. Sanders, his 22-year-old daughter, Mary, and his four-yearold granddaughter, Irene Overton, in the ruins of their home at Hester, in Granville county, near here gave stratling evidence today of one of the most atrocious crimes ever committed in this section.

Nathan Montague, a young negro, accused today by a coroner's jury of assault, murder and arson, is believed to have killed Mr. Sanders and his little granddaughter and then to have attacked and finally cut the throat of Miss Mary Sanders, leaving all three bodies in a pool of blood in the house to which he is thought to have set fire.

The negro is safe tonight in the State penitentiary at Raleigh, but angry mobs are reported to be gathering to seek vengeance. Sheriff Wheeler foiled an irate crowd at Hester last night in rushing his prisoner to Durham. Sheriff Harwood, at Durham, not wishing to take any chances with the people who were reported to be coming here in a special train after Montague, hustled the negro to Raleigh in an automobile. It is charged that the negro, who had been at a hog-killing in the afternoon, which Miss Mary Sanders also attended, went to her home at night, killed Sanders and his little granddaughter by means, not yet determined, attacked Miss Sanders and afterwards cut her throat in a struggle in the yard. He is then believed to have set fire to the house and burned the bodies. The charred remains were found early today.

The finding of Miss Sanders' skirt covered with blood in the negro's possession and a knife at the scene of the tragedy which was identified as the one used by Montague at the hog-killing, forms the chief evidence against Montague.

Near the ruins of the Sanders' house a path of blood leading to a nearby well indicates that an attempt was made to cast the girl into the well. Strands of auburn hair were found on the well posts and near the house, giving evidence of the stubborn, but vain struggle for life which the girl made.

The discovery of a partly loaded pistol near the well at the Sanders home and the fact that neighbors declare they heard pistol shots just before they saw the flames last night, are believed to indicate that Mr. Sanders and his little granddaughter were shot and killed before the attack on Miss Sanders, though the burning of the bodies swept away any clue to the exact way in which they met death.

The negro denied his guilt tonight, but the blood on his person and the fact that he was to have reported at the Sanders home last night for some work, is said to furnish strong evidence against him.

Another Story of Crime.

Raleigh, N. C., Dec. 20.—Last night between 8 and 9 o'clock, in Granville county, near Hester, there was found in the ashes of a burned house the charred bones of three people, later identified as J. L. Sanders, a farmer, his 20-year-old daughter Mattie, and his four-year-old granddaughter, Irene Overton.

A blood bespattered well house with a knife beside it gave the clue and this morning Nathan Montague, a young negro of the neighborhood, was arested. In his house the bloody skirt of the girl and other parts of her clothing were found, with blood and hair on the negro's cloths. He was arrested by the sheriff of Durham county, taken first to Durham and then brought to the State's prison in Raleigh for safe keeping.

The negro had been working at a hog killing in the afternoon at which the young girl also attended. The evidence is that he went to her father's house at night, killed the father and little child by means unknown, then assaulted the girl and after outraging her cut her throat in a struggle in the yard. His next step was to set fire to the house to conceal his crime. The girl's mother was in Oxford and this probably saved her life.

Evaded the Mob.

Just before the fire, neighbors heard three shots and a pistol was found near the well house. Sheriff Wheeler had learned of a mob gathering and by a misleading route got away from it. A report of a mob forming to go to Durham caused the negro to be brought to Raleigh. He denies his guilt, but the condition of his underclothing gives undoubted evidence against him.

New York, Dec. 20.—Frank B. Hayne, head of the cotton firm of Hayne & Brown, of New Orleans, who was re-indicted this month by the Federal grand jury here in connection with the alleged cotton pool conspiracy, appeared today before United States Commissioner Shields and furnished $5,000 bail for his appearance for trial.