

DRUNKEN MAN KILLS NEGRO

NO PROVOCATION FOR CRIME

A Cotton Mill Operative at Wilmington, While in a Very Drunken Condition, Puts a Bullet Into a Negro Boy's Brain, Death Being Almost Instant—Wier Husband Found For Her "Soul Affinity"—Many Prominent Men to Take Part in Peace Conference, Preparations for Which Are Begun at Wilmington—Boys' Brigade Organized with Flag and Bible by Junior Order—Seventeen Cutters Goes to Aid Vessel in Distress.

FOUND HER "AFFINITY"

W. H. H. Todd, a well-known resident of the southern section of the city and a man of some property, today issues warrants for his wife and one Strange Prigden, a white man with whom she is charged with having eloped Friday night of the past week. Todd alleges that when he came home to his marriage that night he found a note on the table stating his wife had gone, taking with her a little 3-year-old daughter and leaving two other children with the husband.

PREPARING FOR PEACE CONGRESS

Mr. Hayne Davis, of New York, president of the North Carolina Peace Society, which was organized here a year ago and which has chapters in at least six of the leading cities of the State, is expected here this week to confer with local officers in regard to the North Carolina Arbitration and Peace Congress, which is proposed to hold in Wilmington May 4th to 16th, being held on the anniversary of the North Carolina organization.

MOTOR AND ELECTRIC CARS COLLIDE, ONE PASSENGER BEING INJURED

Asheville, Feb. 10.—A collision between a motor car and an electric car occurred on Haywood street this morning, resulting in serious damage to the motor car and painful though not serious, injury to Miss Lillian Reynolds, who with her brother, Dr. J. H. Reynolds, occupied the motor car. Miss Reynolds suffered a scalp wound. The accident was unavoidable.

TELEPHONE PLANT PRESENTED

Jeff Davis and George Washington Johnston, Junior Order United American Mechanics, of Wilmington, yesterday afternoon presented to the Boys' Brigade of this city, a very handsome telephone plant, which is to be their property and used for their benefit.

SOUTH AND RAILROADS

Tennessee Joining in What Seems an Unnecessary Acquittal. Bristol Herald-Courier. "A growing section of the Southern press now calls for better service from the railroads, and withdraws the plea for unreasonable rates," says the Washington Herald. "This is a great deal wiser, and something may come of it."

BACK FROM NEW YORK

Receiver Henderson Gives out no Statement About Whitney Company—Judge Council Convenes Rowan Superior Court. Special to The Observer. Salisbury, Feb. 10.—Col. John S. Henderson, recently appointed receiver of the Whitney Company, returned from New York last night. Mr. Henderson is not in a position as yet to state authoritatively what will be the ultimate result of the receivership proceedings. It is generally thought here that there will be no interruption of the work at Whitney and that matters will continue to be pushed to completion.

MARRIAGES

LeMaster-Humphries, at Gaffney, S. C. Special to The Observer.

Gaffney, S. C., Feb. 10.—Mr. Ralph LeMaster and Miss Della Humphries were married at the Methodist parsonage yesterday afternoon by Rev. S. H. Harper, pastor of Buford Street Methodist church. The groom is the only son of Mr. G. W. LeMaster, of Wilkinson, and is well and favorably known in Gaffney. The bride is the lovely daughter of Mr. P. W. Humphries, of the Grassy Pond section, and has many friends in the city.

Turner-Giles, at Reidsville. Correspondence of The Observer.

Reidsville, Feb. 9.—Dr. Frank P. Turner, a student of the Virginia Medical College, of Richmond, and Miss Susie Giles, of Calhoun, Va., were united in marriage here Thursday night by Rev. G. W. Reed, at his home on Morehead street. The couple were not a runaway, but they came to Reidsville to have the ceremony performed on account of sickness in the family of the bride. They were accompanied by Mr. Walter E. Jefferson, of Danville, and the afternoon was spent at the home of Rev. Mr. Reed. The groom will graduate from his college this session and will immediately take up the practice of medicine. The bride, whose father is Mr. George A. Giles, a prominent merchant of Reidsville, county, is a most accomplished young woman and recently completed her college course at Washington.

Coast Line Roadmaster Severely Injured. Special to The Observer.

Wilmington, Feb. 10.—Capt. W. T. Keels, roadmaster of the Coast Line here, was knocked down and severely injured by the steps of a passing locomotive on parallel tracks on the yards here this morning. Captain Keels was superintending some work on a tank and stepped aside to avoid the locomotive, as he thought, but stood directly in the path of it. He fell on the tracks and was run over by the engine and was knocked down by the steps. His injuries received attention at the office of an A. C. L. surgeon, after which he was sent home.

Business and the Campaign

Springfield Republican. Not a quiet but a heated campaign with uncertain ending seems to be more in prospect, and this is how the message comes to play a part in calculations over the business outlook. When, however, it is considered that even if Bryan were to win, he would have a Republican country, it is against him and would be accepted by the business interests, so bitterly arrayed against Roosevelt, as much the safer man of the two, it becomes a question why the markets should view the political situation with any alarm.

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Fire Consumes 175 Bales of Cotton at Winstonsboro, S. C. Special to The Observer.

Winstonsboro, S. C., Feb. 10.—Fire broke out yesterday morning at 8 o'clock amid the cotton on the platform at the Southern freight depot, consuming about 175 bales. The heaviest losers are Messrs. W. W. Willett, J. E. Poon and J. McCauley. The origin of the fire is said to be from sparks thrown out by a passing train.

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Southern Railway

N. B.—Following schedule figures published only as information. They are not guaranteed. January 15th, 1908. Savannah to Columbia, Columbia to Savannah, day coaches, Pullman Drawing Room sleeper and day coaches, Washington to Jacksonville.

SEABOARD. These arrivals and departures as well as the time and connection with other companies, are given only as information and are not guaranteed. Direct line to the principal cities North, East, South and Southwest. Schedule taking effect January 24th, 1908, subject to change without notice.

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