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THE COTTON MARKET

Riordan & Co's Report of Yesterday's Transactions.

Special to The Gazette: New York, Nov. 29.—Excessive dullness was the only feature of the cotton market today. An advance of one-half sixty-fourth in Liverpool was not regarded as particularly encouraging, and prices here were slightly lower at the opening. After the opening the market became exceedingly dull, and the execution of moderate orders on either side caused temporary strength or weakness. Receipts for the day were full and the estimates for New Orleans and Houston tomorrow were enormous. January opened at 5.72, declined to 5.69, eased again and closed at 5.71 to 5.72 with the tone of the market quiet and steady. There was somewhat more disposition to sell today. The outlook is unchanged.

MRS. NOBLE MUST DIE

Her Appeal Denied by the Highest Court.

Washington, Nov. 29.—The United States supreme court today affirmed the decision of the Georgia supreme court in the case of Mrs. Noble, convicted of the murder of her husband. She claimed that the Georgia law had been denied her. As a result of this decision the sentence of death will now be executed.

Prison Reform.

A meeting of the Prison Reform association was held yesterday afternoon at the Y. M. C. A. rooms. An election of officers was held, which resulted in the choice of Dr. E. F. Campbell as president and Mr. O. B. Van Horn as secretary. The idea was suggested and favorably considered of holding at some time in the near future a public meeting to present to the people of Asheville in a favorable way the plans of the organization. Dr. J. S. Felix kindly offered the use of the First Baptist church for this purpose some Sunday night.

A POSTMASTER MISSING.

Alton, Ill., Nov. 29.—Willard G. H. Ham, postmaster of Upper Alton, has been missing from here for two weeks. It is feared he has met with foul play. His accounts are all right.

F. A. SHERWOOD DEAD.

Ottawa, Nov. 29.—Frederick A. Sherwood, banker, and ex-mayor, died suddenly this afternoon. He was worth \$500,000.

LIVE STOCK RATES REDUCED.

Omaha, Nov. 29.—The state board of transportation has ordered a general reduction in live stock rates throughout Nebraska. The railroad fight the order on the theory that proper notice was not given as required by law.

TO CURE A COLD IN ONE DAY. Take Laxative Broom Quinine Tablets. All druggists refund the money if it fails to cure. 25c. The genuine has L. B. Q. on each tablet.

ROUTE FOR THE NEW CAR LINE

Road the Sulphur Springs to be Rebuilt.

To Cross Over the Southern Railway on a Bridge.

Hotel and Sanitarium to be Built at the Terminus.

A Carriage Way Along the Entire Route.

French Broad Bridge to be Offered to County Commissioners on Monday—Route of the Road in the City.

Since the purchase a few months ago by the Asheville Electric company of the property and good will of the old Asheville and Sulphur Springs electric railway, an interested public has been curious to know the plans of the new owners and what disposition would be made of the property.

Although the directors have had little to say publicly since that time, yet they have been actively engaged in securing a largely new and far more preferable route from the Southern depot to the Sulphur Springs, with a view of operating a thoroughly equipped electric line to the springs, and of ultimately rebuilding in palatial style the Sulphur Springs hotel, and also of constructing a fine sanitarium. Through the courtesy of Mr. J. H. Cutler, who kindly consented to talk on the subject, the Gazette gives an outline of what has been accomplished and what the company hopes to do for the people of Asheville and Buncombe county as well as for itself. A majority of the directors, by the way, live in Asheville and are among the most influential citizens. Dr. J. H. McAden, president, lives in Charlotte, but owns property here and is interested in Asheville's welfare.

THE NEW ROUTE.

The route of the car line is known to most Ashevilleites. After leaving the passenger depot it runs southward along the Southern railway for several hundred yards turns to the right, crosses the French Broad river at a distance of about half a mile. From that point it pursues a varying course of two and one-half miles to Sulphur Springs.

One great disadvantage of the old route was that it involved a surface crossing on the Southern railway. It was dangerous and inconvenient and necessitated the stopping of freight and passenger trains at that point, and was a thorn in the flesh of the Southern railway officials.

BRIDGE OVER THE SOUTHERN.

The new route does away with the grade crossing. Leaving the depot the track follows the eastern side of the Southern railway, as before, but continues until the coal chute is reached, where the Southern tracks enter a deep cut. It is at this point that the car line will cross. The Southern has generously offered to foot the expense of a substantial bridge.

A happier arrangement could not have been hit upon. The electric cars will cross the bridge in absolute safety, and the approaches from both sides are ideal from an engineer's standpoint.

TWO REQUISITES.

This much has been absolutely decided upon. Colonel Andrews has given positive and irrevocable consent to the plan. Only two more requisites remain for the completion of this scheme, which will mean so much for Asheville.

First, a wide, well laid out and well constructed carriage roadway must accompany the car line from Asheville to Sulphur Springs; and second, the directors earnestly believe that the bridge over the French Broad, being part of an important highway for the citizens of Buncombe county, should be purchased by the county commissioners.

The directors believe that such a roadway would be of inestimable value to the county; it would open up hundreds of acres of splendid residence sites, to which easy access would be had by the ordinary means of conveyance. It would open up a driveway which would be one of the attractions of Asheville, and in addition to all this would open a new route to Billmore, skirting the banks of the Swannanoa through bottom land of surpassing attractiveness. To build this roadway, the officials believe, is not such a great task, and is in their intention to appeal to the board of county commissioners at their meeting next Monday, to assist this work by lending the services of the county chain gang. The prisoners are not engaged in any regular work at present.

The Asheville Electric company is not in actual ownership of the French Broad bridge, but controls it, and can sell it. The bridge is a fine iron structure. It cost \$15,000, but the Asheville Electric company secured a controlling judgment for far less than that amount, and will offer the bridge to the county, a Gazette reporter was informed, for just about one-third its cost. The directors of the road believe that the commissioners will act favorably on the proposition, rather than wait until the future when the bridge passes into other hands and cannot be secured at double the present price.

The necessary land for a carriage way, such as the directors desire, has been secured between the French Broad river and the Sulphur Springs. Mr. J. D. Carter

has given a strip of land beside the track the entire distance, and 100 feet in width. The best reasons exist for believing that similar concessions can be secured on this side of the river. The Asheville Electric company has just purchased a strip of land on the bluff above and parallel with the Southern railway, fifty feet wide and one-fourth of a mile long, for which \$2,500 was paid. This land begins at the coal chute and extends half the distance to the passenger depot. The part nearer the depot belongs to the Southern Improvement company, and it is believed that the company will donate its portion of the land required for the roadway. The officials of Asheville Electric company consider that the driveway on the bluff will be a very attractive one, and the Southern people are evidently of the opinion that it would be a benefit to them, for they heartily favor the plan. It is very likely also that Colonel Connally, the owner of the land between the coal chute and the river, can be prevailed upon to give land sufficient for the driveway.

IN THE CITY

The directors have not decided positively about the route through Asheville but they favor very much the plan of opening French Broad avenue to Southside avenue and carrying the line to the depot in that way.

The proposed changes in the whole route involve about one mile of new track. The remainder of the track will be practically rebuilt.

TROLLEY ACCIDENT

John Bean Run Over Last Night by the Street Car.

As car number 4, which left the square at 5:45 yesterday afternoon, and which was in charge of Conductor Drake and Motorman J. Drake, rounded the Goodlake curve on South Main street, the figure of a man on the edge of the track and approaching the car, apparently under the influence of liquor, loomed up in the darkness. The brakes were instantly applied and every effort was made by the motorman to stop the onward plunge of the car, but before its speed could be checked a painful accident had occurred.

Fortunately, the fender was the first part of the car to strike the man and it knocked him sufficiently off the track to prevent his body from being run over, but not far enough to keep him from passing over his right foot and ankle.

The bone in the same leg was broken below the knee and a number of the ankle bones shattered. Several of his toes were so badly crushed that the amputation of them is thought necessary.

Immediately after the accident Bean was brought on the car to Grant's Pharmacy where the wounds were dressed by Dr. Williams.

Later he was removed to the Mission hospital by Dr. Thrash, who, in company with Dr. Williams, will render further medical aid. The car company authorized such steps.

Bean's home is in Old Fort, but he has been here for some time with his mother and brother who live on Phillips street. At one time he was bridge foreman for the Southern railway. His son, who is employed at the locomotive yards, had a similar accident, some year or more ago, in which he lost one foot.

No blame whatever is attached to the motorman; it being impossible to stop the speed of a car down such a grade on such short notice, especially as the full benefit of the headlight is not had in rounding such curves.

ON SOCIALISM

Prof. W. C. Bowman's Lecture Last Evening.

A large sized audience assembled at the court house last evening to hear Prof. W. C. Bowman's second lecture on socialism. Notably among those present were many ladies.

"Are the principles of socialism in harmony with the true science of civil government?" was Prof. Bowman's subject. The lecturer stated that the principles of socialism were and also the principles of civil government and compared the two.

Webster's definition of socialism is "A theory or system of social reform which contemplates a complete reconstruction of society, with a more just and equitable distribution of property and labor." The Encyclopaedia Britannica's definition says "The ethics of socialism are identical with the ethics of Christianity." Dr. Bowman thought these definitions just and true.

"The purpose of socialism is to do away with conflicts and competition and to establish concord and co-operation." "I do not think," said the speaker, "that the definition given by the Encyclopaedia Britannica means that the ethics of socialism are identical with the ethics of Christianity as taught by the modern theologians." Dr. Bowman spoke at length on reform as the only hope for uplifting the world. No change of nature was necessary, he said, but a change of education was imperative in order to accomplish the result.

The audience present listened with much interest to the lecturer and gave frequent applause.

SWANNAHOA IMPROVEMENTS

Rapidly Progressing at the Well Known Hotel.

Improvements are rapidly progressing at the popular Swannanoa. The electric motor for the elevator has arrived and will be put in immediately. Yesterday work commenced on the South wall of the office and the center of the partition here is being replaced by a large open fire place. A cloak room is being constructed just in the rear of the office and to the right of the elevator.

The electric front windows in the hotel will be replaced by a handsome glass front. The building is undergoing repairs from garret to cellar and when completed will be one of the handsomest hotels in the state, and under the general management of Colonel Lincoln, one of the best conducted hotels in the south.

MCCURRY REPORTED CAPTURED.

It is reported upon apparently good authority, that George McCurry, the noted Yancey county desperado, who has been a fugitive from justice in this state for some months, has been captured in Knoxville, and is being held for proper papers.

Stables for rent near Hotel Berkeley. Also one set of hand made double harness for \$10.00.—S. H. Christensen.

AFTER TOMORROW THE OFFER OF GOV. BOB TAYLOR'S BOOK FREE TO SUBSCRIBERS FOR THE GAZETTE

(UNDER THE CONDITIONS APPEARING ON PAGE SIX) WILL BE WITHDRAWN. THE BOOK CAN BE PURCHASED AT THE GAZETTE-BUSINESS OFFICE OR ANY CITY BOOK STORE FOR FIFTY CENTS.

THE H. & B. RAILROAD

Change of Schedule—Road in Satisfactory Condition.

Hendersonville, Nov. 29.—A meeting of the trustees of the Hendersonville and Brevard railway was held this morning in T. J. Rickman's office. All the trustees, Judge George A. Shuford, T. J. Rickman and W. A. Gash, were present. A change of schedule on the road was decided upon. On and after Sunday next the train from Hendersonville will leave at 11 a. m. and reach Hendersonville at 12:30. The train from Hendersonville to Brevard will run according to the existing schedule.

The change will give business men visiting Brevard more time to transact their business.

Several matters connected with the business of the road were considered at the meeting. The road was found to be in satisfactory running condition; the engine has recently been repaired at the Columbia shops.

The present management have paid state taxes for one year, and are beginning to pay the county taxes for the current year to Henderson and Transylvania counties. They expect to make good earnings for the road next summer.

Superior court was to have opened this morning, but Judge Hoke was not present. He is expected to be here tomorrow morning.

BUMGARNER DIES

THE ENGINEER'S WOUND PROVED FATAL.

Funeral Services to be Held This Morning—Order Declaring Lambert an Outlaw.

Engineer Bumgarner, of the Southern railway force, who has been lying ill at the Mission hospital as the result of a pistol shot wound received while on duty near Fletcher's Friday, died Sunday night at 10:30 o'clock.

The wound was not supposed to be of a serious nature and after the extraction of the bullet by Dr. W. W. Hilliard, it was thought that he would recover. It was learned later though that the wound was of a more serious nature, and grave hopes were entertained for his recovery.

The funeral services will be held this morning at 11 o'clock by Rev. M. A. Smith, pastor of the Haywood street church, at 362 West Haywood street, the late residence of Mr. Bumgarner. The interment will be at Riverside. Members of his brotherhood will officiate as pall bearers.

It is requested that all members of the Royal Arcanum and the Brotherhood of Locomotive Engineers, who can do so, will attend the services.

Mr. Bumgarner leaves a wife and two children, but his thoughtfulness in having \$3,000 insurance in the Royal Arcanum, and \$1,500 in the B. L. E., besides some accident insurance, leaves them comfortably provided for.

No little excitement has been caused by the shooting and the woods are being scoured by officers of the law and friends of the dead man. The governor has offered a reward of \$400 and it is believed that Lambert, who is thought to be hiding with friends near Arden, will be shortly apprehended.

INQUEST.

Coroner J. T. Sevier, Drs. D. E. Sevier and W. D. Hilliard held the autopsy yesterday morning and found that several of the vital organs had been mutilated by the bullet, making the wound necessarily a fatal one.

The jury, composed of T. I. Van Gilder, W. R. Weston, T. J. Harris, H. C. Jones, R. A. Long and John Dilligan, met late in the afternoon and rendered the following verdict:

"We, the jurors, being summoned and sworn by Coroner Sevier, after hearing the testimony in regard to the death of L. M. Bumgarner, who was shot on November 26, near Fletcher's, N. C., can find that he came to his death at the hands of Aus Lambert, and died from the effect of the said shot. This November 29th, 1897."

LAMBERT OUTLAWED.

Judge H. G. Ewart at Hendersonville yesterday, upon affidavit of Deputy Sheriff McDonald, signed an order declaring Aus Lambert an outlaw.

This order gives any citizen the right to arrest the fugitive, and to kill him if necessary to effect the arrest.

Deputy McDonald went to Hendersonville at noon yesterday, and upon making the necessary affidavit, secured the order, which is as follows:

"PROCLAMATION.

"It appearing to the undersigned judge of this district and state of North Carolina, that one Aus Lambert did kill and murder L. M. Bumgarner, on November 26, 1897, in said county of Henderson, and that the said Lambert is a fugitive from justice of North Carolina, or so concealed himself that the process of law cannot be served upon him.

"Now, therefore, by virtue of section 1127 of the code of the state, I, H. G. Ewart, judge circuit court of the county and state aforesaid, do issue this proclamation outlawing the said Lambert, and I do command the sheriff of this county and of every county in the state to use every effort to capture the fugitive.

"Also require the said Aus Lambert to surrender himself at once.

"H. G. EWART,
Judge Circuit Court."

WHITE CAPPING IN BUNCOMBE

The House of Peter Woody Invaded by Desperadoes.

Sandy Mush township was the scene of an outrageous crime a few days ago in the white capping of a poor family, composed of a man and his wife and children.

Mr. Robert Randall, a reputable citizen of Sandy Mush, who was in the city yesterday gives the following facts as reported in the neighborhood:

One night during the latter part of last week a party of men, masked with handkerchiefs tied over their faces, broke through the door and entered the humble home of Peter Woody, who was alone in the house with his wife and children. The assailants were armed with sticks and stones. Woody was badly beaten and bruised. His wife made her escape by fleeing in the darkness with her infant in her arms. The miscreants then proceeded to throw the other children out of doors, where they remained all night.

The party of ruffians, when they had the house to themselves, destroyed much of the furniture, cutting up bed clothing, breaking dishes, etc. After this they went into the yard and cruelly beat the cow.

When the facts of the outrage were learned in the community the citizens became greatly excited and set about to apprehend the perpetrators. Their efforts resulted in the arrest of four young men three by the name of Surratt and one Jones.

The prisoners were taken before Justice of the Peace J. M. King and from him sent to Justice J. W. Bowlin, and their trial was set for yesterday.

ZEB VANCE CLUB

Resolutions Adopted to Change the Name of Public Square.

At the meeting of the Zeb Vance club last night resolutions were read and adopted that it was the sentiment of the members of the club to have the name of the public square changed to that of Clingman square, and a committee of five was appointed by President Luther to confer with the board of county commissioners and the aldermen. This committee consists of J. D. Murphy, E. C. Starnes, H. B. Carter, T. W. Postell and M. E. Roberts.

Mr. Luther stated that the motto buttons had arrived and a committee of Messrs. Frady, White, R. E. Lee and W. J. Postell were appointed to dispose of the buttons.

A committee was appointed to draw up resolutions of respect to the memory of their late club member, L. M. Bumgarner, composed of Messrs. Postell, Ballou and White.

New names were added to the membership, making a total of 410.

ARRESTED FOR BIGAMY

John Pruett is Claimed by Two Women.

John Pruett, who recently located in Asheville, was arrested yesterday by F. P. Goldsmith, a deputy, on a warrant sworn out by a woman from Tennessee, who claims that she is his wife. Hearing that her alleged husband had married another woman and was here in Asheville, she charged him with bigamy. The meeting of the two wife claimants and the coveted husband created quite a sensation. Pruett denies that he ever married the Tennessee woman and that the North Carolina woman was his only wife. Both women, however, are persistent in their claims. Pruett was imprisoned until a hearing, being unable to give bond.

G. R. CROOK DEAD

Fatal Termination of His Illness at Spartanburg.

George R. Crook of this city, who has been employed by the Spartanburg broom manufacturing company, died in that city of pneumonia Sunday night after an illness of four days. Mr. Crook was a brother of Henry Crook, the Gazette pressman. William J. Crook went to Spartanburg Sunday on hearing the news of his son's illness, and arrived a few hours before the young man's death. The body was brought to this city yesterday. The funeral will be held at 42 Woodfin street at 11 o'clock this morning. The interment will be at Bethel church, West Asheville.

MRS. NACK TO TESTIFY

Will be Subpoenaed by the Defense Today.

Long Island City, Nov. 29.—Thorn was on the stand from 10:50 this morning until 4:36 this afternoon, when the defense rested its case until 9:30 tomorrow morning. There was only a short recess. Thorn made no new statements. Lawyer Howe says he will subpoena Mrs. Nack and place her on the stand tomorrow.

JOHN C. SHEEHAN'S ILLNESS

The Tammany Man Very Much Improved.

New York, Nov. 29.—Sheehan's condition this evening is so much improved that his physician says he may resume work, and he will assist in naming the Tammany slate in a day or two.

HANNA HAS THE GRIP

The Senator Ill at His Home Near Cleveland.

Cleveland, Nov. 29.—Senator Hanna is confined to his home, Glenmere, by a severe attack of the grip. He will not be able to attend to business for several days.

Dr. W. C. Brownson will open an office on November 12, at No. 40 Patton avenue, second floor above ticket office of Southern railway. Office hours, 2 to 4 p. m. Telephone, office, 34, residence, 114, 240-13.

GOOD, established paying business for cash. For particulars address Box 706, City.

AT THE CAPITAL OF THE STATE

A Meeting of Teachers on December 28.

Formation of a Raleigh Musical Association.

Much Cotton Yet Unpicked in Wake County.

Appointments of the Collector of Internal Revenue.

Democratic Cause Strengthening Throughout the State—Populist Leaders Averse to Talking Politics—Annual Report of the State Labor Commissioner.

Raleigh, Nov. 29.—Many of the principals and teachers in the leading male academies and high schools of the state will meet here December 28. The sessions of the body will be held in the afternoon and evening of the 28th and the morning of the 29th. Among some of the educators of state reputation who will be present are Professors Horner, the Hoits, Kelly, Holland, Justice and a host of others.

The Raleigh Musical association has been recently organized in this city. This association will fill a long felt want in this city. Among its ranks are some of the very best musical talent in the state and the organization is destined not only to improve the members in their music and charm the people of Raleigh, but its influence will be felt throughout the entire state.

Much cotton remains yet unpicked in some of the fields. Yet farmers said two months ago that the crop was very light and it would all be picked by the middle of October. In fact, it is a great crop. One in the country, at every farm house, there is cotton. As a rule the tales lie on the side, on the bare ground outside. Country people, when asked the cause of this carelessness, say it is to keep the cotton from losing weight; some saying to increase its weight.

State Auditor Ayer, writing a letter of warm commendation of the plan to establish a textile school, says that even a small beginning will lead to its success and to state aid.

The News and Observer may purchase the fall afternoon Times. Negotiations are in progress with a probability of this result, the Times people say.

The action of the grand jury of Rowan in indicting nineteen merchants for selling cigarettes to minors may have a good effect. So far convictions for this offense have been few. It does not appear that there is any abatement of the smoking of cigarettes by small boys.

The statement is made that the collector of internal revenue will be appointed within thirty days.

Chairman Manly says the democratic cause is strengthening throughout the state and will continue to do so.

The populist leaders are remarkably averse to talking politics now. They are by no means sure of their footing.

The annual report of the state labor commissioner for this year will be, for the first time, illustrated, and will contain 45 views of mills and six of prominent mill men.

The collection of North Carolina gems made by the late Prof. J. A. D. Stevenson of Statesville, is secured for the state museum by Secretary Ramsey and ex-Secretary Bruner. Only one collection of gems, that of Colonel Dement of Pennsylvania.

The Low Prices of Silver and the Higher Tariff.

The fierce competition between the manufacturers of Sterling Silver articles during the last few months has, notwithstanding the higher tariff, caused a great decline in the prices of many articles. For instance, a hair brush with solid Sterling Silver back that formerly cost \$6.00 or \$8.00 can now be bought for \$3.25, and the large size that formerly cost \$12.00 can now be bought for \$4.75 to \$5.00. Small Sterling Silver articles that now sell from 25 to 50 cents a few years ago would cost from \$1.00 to \$1.50.

Dishes and novelties that can be bought now for \$3.00 or \$4.00, and those that cost \$25.00 and \$30.00, formerly cost respectively \$1.00 and \$1.00, and so on all through the jeweler's line.

In gold goods there have been many great reductions, but as the value of gold in an article is much greater than the value of silver in proportion to the making, the reductions are not as great as on silver goods. These great reductions have also caused many firms to make inferior goods, and people should be very careful in making their selections, to buy of firms in whom they have confidence.