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SALISBURY'S SUCCESSOR

QUESTION KEEN INTEREST
OUT GREAT BRITAIN.

No Rivalry Between Chamber-
lain and Balfour for the
Great Prize.

BALFOUR IS THE MAN
UNLESS HE DECLINES.

CRITICS COMPLAIN OF HIS INDIFF-
ERENCE—ONLY ON HIS DE-
CLINING IS CHAMBERLAIN A
POSSIBILITY.

London, March 8.—The question of
Salisbury's successor is beginning to
arouse keen interest without as well as
within the British dominions. A few
months ago when the fact of Salisbury's
approaching retirement from the prem-
iership first became known, it was
affirmed that Author Balfour would
succeed to his high office. There has
been, however, a distinct change in the
situation during the winter, due to two
developments. The first is that the
strain of his present duties has three
times incapacitated the leader of the
house by severe, but not serious at-
tacks of influenza.

The second change is a distinct in-
crease in the popularity and influence
of Chamberlain. This is due more than
all else to his dignified, though sting-
ing rebuke to Count Von Bulow. The
natural inference from the situation
would be that there must exist a sharp
rivalry between Balfour and Chamber-
lain for the great prize.

Such is not the case. There is a strong
genuine personal attachment between
the two men. This mutual sympathy
is so potent that it precludes anything
approaching a contest. What must
happen unless an unforeseen change
occurs, is, therefore, that Balfour will
become the next premier unless he de-
clines the office. It is Balfour's indif-
ferentism of which his critics chiefly
complain. If this indifference is as
strong as they assert, it is by no means
impossible that he may decline the
premiership and there is no doubt that
Chamberlain is the man whom the
country has marked as his majesty's
next choice.

UNIQUE INDUSTRY LOCATED IN ASHEVILLE

The First Public Statement of the
Aims and Objects of Hull
and Ketchum.

An industry of no small consequence
exists in Asheville that has received
less notice, is known and talked less
about than any other of equal im-
portance. Located at the corner of
Valley and Sycamore streets is a large
ware house, the doors and windows of
which are kept carefully closed to pub-
lic gaze. Occupying a large room on
the ground floor of the structure is the
firm of Hull & Ketchum, engaged in the
manufacture of slate pencils, dustless
blackboard crayons, metal workers'
crayons, tailor crayons, Chataqua and
colored crayons and talcum powder.

To gain admittance it is necessary to
produce credentials, since it depends en-
tirely upon who you are, what your
business is and how long you wish to
stay to be able to enter those forbidden
precincts. The word "private" adorns
every door.

You knock and presently hear the
click of a heavy lock and are greeted
with a "what's your business?" through
an upopened door. When you are ad-
mitted, congenial and pleasant treat-
ment is accorded. The powdered con-
dition of walls, machinery and floor
gives the place a flour mill appearance.
The proprietors, Messrs Hull and

A GOOD STORE LIGHT CHEAP.
Many are using my new lamp for
lighting their stores now, and they are
well lighted.
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We have just com-
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Satisfaction
Guaranteed.
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Ketchum, are from New Hampshire and
San Francisco, respectively. These gen-
tlemen about a year ago decided upon
a partnership that has resulted in this
enterprise. The machinery used in the
manufacture of slate and crayon goods
was made by special specifications and
is not open to inspection. The slate
pencils produced are of three different
varieties—hard, medium and soft. The
State in its crude form comes from
Georgia and Virginia and is shipped in
car load lots and costs about \$1 per ton
aboard cars at shipping point. Quite the
same process as that of milling wheat is
followed. The slate is poured into a
large hopper and run through a pow-
erful crusher grinding it to powder.
This powder is poured in a bolting
device which screens every particle of
grit, 177 threads to the square inch
make a thorough cleansing of the mat-
terial and this is one of the features
in which the proprietors claim a supe-
riority of their product over other
makers. After the screening takes
place the powder is placed in a box
resembling a mortar box, and mixed
with cement and wafer, making a
dough-like substance. From there to
the hydraulic press, the material is car-
ried and forced through dies
as required under 150 tons pres-
sure. The slate is then in
pencil form and ready to be taken to
the brick kiln, the inside of
which is built upon either side with
steam pipes that furnish the required
heat to harden the pencils. After sev-
eral hours of drying the pencils are
ready for market.

The factory is capable of turning out
1200 gross of pencils a day. A sharp-
ening machine has a capacity of 900
pencils per minute and is of such in-
crease. From a rough piece of slate we
now have the finished pencil, which has
taken about ten hours to produce. A
car load of slate which cost about \$50
is worth about \$3000 after going through
this process. People do not engage
more extensively in the pencil business
because it takes experience and plenty
of capital to make the least kind of a
start. Hull & Ketchum have spent six
months in nothing but experiments and
another six months ordering and install-
ing their machinery. Not a pencil has
been sold so far.

Crayons follow the same process in
manufacture as the pencils with the ex-
ception that when the material reaches
the hydraulic press, dies to suit the re-
quired mold are screwed into the end
of the press cylinder where the chalk
is forced through under high pressure.
A thorough test of the pencils in their
finished state will convince one that
there is absolutely no grit to produce
slate scratches. A crayon that is ab-
solutely dustless has been the study of
producers for years. Hull & Ketchum
produced and illustrated with some
samples to the positive conclusion that
they had an article that was absolutely
dustless.

Correspondence is now being carried
out with European countries, New Mex-
ico and Central America for the sale
of the goods.

DISAPPEARANCE OF GREENE AND GAYLOR

PRINCIPAL TOPIC IN SAVANNAH
—MAY HAVE GONE TO
NICARAGUA.

Savannah, March 8.—The disappear-
ance of Greene and Gaynor, now fugi-
tives from justice for failure to appear
to answer charges of looting the gov-
ernment treasury, is the principal topic
of discussion here. It is generally be-
lieved that they have gone to some for-
eign country. Some of those interested
in the case believe the men can be
found in Nicaragua.

Your correspondent was told some-
time ago that Green and Gaynor had
changed their securities into cash, ex-
changing the cash into bills of large
denomination. Gaynor is said to have
made arrangements with Nicaraguan
officials by which he and Green will
have a share in building the Nicaragua
canal. As the extradition treaty with
Nicaragua expires April 24 the men will
be safe from arrest.

TEE BLOODIEST BATTLE OF THE WAR REPORTED

Oaxaca, Mexico, March 8.—Official ad-
vice state that a large force of Maya
Indians attacked the government forces
near Peten Cabed, Yucatan, and the
battle which followed was the bloodiest
of the war. Eighty Indians were killed
and nearly 200 wounded. The govern-
ment losses are not given out but are
reported to have been heavy.

No more do trimmings soar high at
the left of hats.

Fortune sometimes favors a man for
the purpose of destroying him.

Biltmore Wood. Phone 700, is better.

Annandale Wood. Phone 878.

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A CUBAN TARIFF PROPOSITION

REBATE OF ALCOHOL TAX TO
SATISFY BEET SUGAR
PRODUCERS.

Bill for change in Rural Free
Delivery Will be Over-
whelmingly Defeated.

COMMITTEE HEARING
ON THE PHILIPPINES

GENERAL HUGHES AND SENATOR
PATTERSON HAVE ANOTHER
TILT—HOW THE WAR IN LUZON
BEGAN.

Washington, March 8.—Six days have
been spent in general debate upon the
rural free delivery bill in the house
without a sign of objection from any
source. Monday will be devoted to its
consideration under the five minute
rule and then it will be overwhelmingly
defeated. It is argued that the service
must eventually be placed under the
contract system, which is hateful to the
sense of the American people, and that
the 50,000 or 100,000 carriers necessary
would compose a powerful political ma-
chine.

Beyond a further discussion on the
measure today the house did nothing
important.

Washington, March 8.—Senator Pat-
terson continued his questioning of
Gen. Hughes in the senate committee
on Philippines today, taking up the be-
ginning of hostilities in February, 1899.
The witness repeated his previous
statement that the first shot had been
fired by an American. Senator Pat-
terson asked Gen. Hughes what he had
meant when he said, upon hearing the
firing at first, "The thing is on."

"I intend," said the latter, "to answer
the best way I can to cover the whole
conditions. I wish to answer in my own
way, as I am informed I have a right
to do. I felt that they had made an at-
tack upon us, and that we must de-
fend ourselves," he added.

"Did you mean simply that you should
make an attack also?"

"I had no intention beyond what I
have stated."

Mr. Patterson then sought to bring
out the fact that the attack was made
before the Filipinos were ready, and
Gen. Hughes admitted that the Filipino
leaders were absent in a conference at
Malolos. He said that hostilities were
so active the next day that there was
no opportunity to attempt to heal the
breach.

Senator Patterson questioned Gen.
Hughes concerning the effect of Presi-
dent McKinley's proclamation of Janu-
ary 19, 1899, for the extension of the
military occupation of the United
States to the entire archipelago, asking
the witness if there was anything to
do but to attack the Filipino forces.

Gen. Hughes replied that the policy
was to use only peaceful means so long
as they were effectual; but that when
these were exhausted, to resort to war.

Washington, March 8.—A new propo-
sition for the settlement of the Cuban
tariff question has been submitted by
the representatives of the beet sugar
states. It involves a rebate of the
internal revenue tax on alcohol to an
amount approximating the loss the
beet sugar producers think they would
suffer by the proposed 20 per cent re-
duction of the Cuban tariff.

One of the by-products of the sugar
beet is a low grade black molasses out
of which alcohol is made. The present
tax on alcohol is \$2.07 per gallon and
the proposition is to pay back a por-
tion of that tax as a bounty to the
beet sugar producers thereby enabling
them to reduce the price of the sugar
product to meet the Cuban price, while
paying the farmer the same price for
his beets.

This proposition meets with consid-
erable favor. It may not, however,
please corn producers who manufactur-
er the bulk of the alcohol, since the beet
sugar men might undersell them.

Washington, March 8.—It is said at
the war department that there will be
little or no delay in the execution of
the order recently issued by the sec-
retary of war for the return to the

United States of all the regiments
which went to the Philippines in 1899,
aggregating about 13,500 men. There
will be a sufficient number of trans-
ports leaving Manila between now and
April 15 to move 8,740 men and by May
15 to move the entire number of 13,500.

THE PRINCE PASSES HIS QUIETEST DAY

SAYS HIS MISSION OF FRIENDLY
GREETING HAS BEEN
FULFILLED.

New York, March 8.—Prince Henry
has passed the quietest day today since
his arrival. He filled but two engage-
ments in person and only one of these
necessitated his leaving the Waldorf As-
toria. This was a luncheon given by
Ms. and Mrs. Ogden Mills, which oc-
cupied only two hours.

In the evening he attended a dinner
on the same floor of the hotel as his
apartments.

The wreath which it was the prince's
intention to place on Grant's tomb was
taken there this morning by his aide,
captain Von Egidy.

Ambassador Von Holleben and several
of the Prince's suite paid a visit in his
behalf to Columbia university and the
German hospital, before going to
luncheon Prince Henry heard the
Hampton jubilee singers. "My Old
Kentucky Home" was especially en-
joyed.

After returning from the Mills resi-
dence the prince cleared up a mass of
correspondence, took a nap and dressed
for dinner. The dinner tonight was
given by the Deutsche Gesellschaft. The
prince made a brief speech, expressing
appreciation of his reception in the
United States and saying that his mis-
sion of friendly greeting had been ful-
filled.

CAPTAIN BARKER DEAD

Captain Thomas M. Barker, who has
been quite ill for several months, died
Friday evening at 7:30 at his home on
Starnes avenue. He had been uncon-
scious several hours previous to his
death. He leaves a wife and four chil-
dren, Miss Lyda Barker, Miss Ellen M.
Barker, Miss Mary Barker, and Thomas
M. Barker.

Captain Barker was a native of
Charleston, S. C., had lived in Ashe-
ville fourteen years.

Intertwined garlands of button roses
are the daintiest underbrim trimming
for Marie Antoinette hats.

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deteriorate in beauty

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MR. RICE ENDS HIS TESTIMONY

DEFENSE ADMITS INSOLVENCY
OF SIGNERS OF A NUMBER
OF NOTES SHOWN.

Examination of Mr. Brown, a
Clerk, and Mr. Rawls, a Di-
rector of the Bank.

DEFENSE OBJECTS
TO SOME EVIDENCE

WAS TENDING TO SHOW FORGERY
AND CONSPIRACY—COURT AD-
JOURNED AFTER OPENING AF-
TERNOON SESSION, UNTIL MON-
DAY.

As Judge Jackson took his seat in
court yesterday he greeted the jury
with a few pleasant words advising
them to limit their diet while sitting
so long on the case.

The first witness called was J. S. Rice,
who was on the stand when court ad-
journed Friday afternoon. He stated,
when questioned, that on June 25, 1897,
he possessed several thousand dollars,
he was unable to state the exact
amount, but at the time mentioned he
had \$3000 in gold which had been in his
possession since the civil war; he had
(Continued on seventh page.)

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New and beautiful in design,
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