

EXCITEMENT HAS SUBSIDED

Negroes Believed to Have Been Implicated in Assault on Mrs. Lockhold Removed to Sutton County.

THE GOVERNOR'S ARRIVAL HAD THE DESIRED EFFECT

At Times Last Night it Seemed That a Lynching Could not Be Averted—The State Guard.

Gassaway, W. Va., Nov. 5.—Excitement over the assault on Mrs. George Lockhold has subsided. The negroes believed to be implicated have been removed to the Sutton county seat.

Gassaway, W. Va., Nov. 5.—In an effort to save the two negro suspects being held as possible accomplices in the assault upon Mrs. George Lockhold of Exchange, near here, which has aroused this county by its dastardly details, company B of the national guard of West Virginia, whose members are composed of residents of this place, is on guard duty at the town jail, while company A of Wheeling in a special train, was hurried to the scene.

Throughout the town two parties of men, heavily armed, roamed the streets, finding only a leader to enter down the jail doors and take the two negroes forcibly from their guards.

While the possibility of a lynching is probable, the presence of state troops and the sheriff's deputies has made the citizens cautious.

After talking over the situation with the sheriff Governor Glascock retired to his hotel. He stated that he was confident the citizens of the place would listen to his advice and be governed accordingly.

REPRIEVES OF TWO WEEKS GRANTED TO DR. ELLIOTT

He Was to Be Hanged Today and Tried to Commit Suicide

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Capetown, Nov. 5.—A quantity of charred wreckage has been washed ashore near Port Alfred on the south-east coast of Cape Colony.

IS RUSHING NEGOTIATIONS FOR SPANISH-CUBAN TREATY



SEÑOR SIGMUNDO MORET

Madrid, Nov. 5.—Representatives of Spain and Cuba have taken steps toward a prompt agreement on a commercial treaty between these countries.

SURVEY OF STATE FROM THE CAPITAL

Yesterday Proved a Notable Day at the State Capital, When the Farmers' Congress Convened.

OPENING INVOCATION WAS BY BISHOP CHESHIRE

President Cameron Introduced the Speakers, Several of Whom Were Men of Note—The States Represented.

The Gazette-News Bureau, Chamber of Commerce Rooms, Holleman Building, Raleigh, Nov. 5.

Yesterday certainly deserves to be very nobly marked in the annals of Raleigh and the state. The opening session of the Farmers' National Congress brought together the masses of which organization the meeting was the occasion of some of the most striking speeches your correspondent has ever heard.

Passing up the main street, the governor was not met with cordiality, as he reached the jail steps, he turned to the captain of the Gassaway military company and asked him if his men were prepared for serious trouble, and were ready to protect the jail with their lives if necessary.

THE NEGROES AT SUTTON.

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R. G. CHRISTIAN IS TODAY FINED \$2500

The Defendant Charged With Peonage. Submitted in the U. S. Court, With Result Mentioned.

JUDGE BOYD SUBMITTED SOME INTERESTING REMARKS

The Court Said He Had Hitherto Expressed His Opinion of Such Violations of the Law.

The trial of Robert G. Christian in United States court on the charge of peonage, alleged to have been committed in 1906, during the construction of the Franklin & Tallulah Falls railroad in Macon county, came to an unexpected end this morning when attorneys for Christian announced that they would not resist a verdict of guilty. Judge Boyd so instructed the jury to render a verdict, and sentenced Christian to pay a fine of \$2500. This sum was paid this morning and the defendant released.

In passing sentence upon Christian this morning the court addressed several remarks to the assembled spectators in general and the defendant in particular concerning the charge of peonage; one which has only recently been heard of in the south. It is an offense, declared the court, which is made criminal by an act of congress, made necessary by the acquiring of the New Mexican territory where peonage was known to exist. Imprisonment for debt had been abolished in the states, but in this territory, debtors, who were known by the Spanish word "peones" were held in bondage until they had served out for the debt. The law makes it a crime for any man to hold another in peonage, duress, or even undue influence to render services for debts, whether the persona be black or white.

The court stated that he did not pretend to defend the people who did not live up to their contracts; they ought to realize their obligations; he could understand that there should be discipline and organization, and stated hours in railroad construction work; that such was to the interest of the railroads and the general public which derives benefits from the railroads; but the people must understand that they cannot follow and arrest men and bring them back and hold them unlawfully and against their will. The court could realize it would be natural for a man to put the reins a little tighter on the negroes than white, but all must learn that all people, both white and black, must have their rights recognized.

Turning more directly towards the defendant, the court continued: "I think that Mr. Christian went too far in this case; I cannot commend his actions. I realize that he had no other interest in the matter except holding his job. I have already made one striking example of punishment for peonage, and it was my purpose to do so. Mr. Christian's employers have been tried and have escaped and unloaded the entire responsibility on this man." The court did not desire to humiliate Mr. Christian further, and ordered that he be fined \$2500 and costs.

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HER COMPOSURE HAS GIVEN WAY

Madame Steinhil Appeals to Judge, Saying Her Friends Have Deserted in This Hour of Trouble.

SHE TODAY ADMITS HAVING CONCEALED JEWELS

This Act the Defendant Attributed to Her "Motherly Instinct" in Trying to Shield Daughter.

Paris, Nov. 5.—The Steinhil case remained the center of interest today. At the beginning the presiding judge declared the statement yesterday of Rene Collard, who declared he was the real assassin, was pure invention. Madame Steinhil was recalled and relentlessly questioned by the judge. The woman's composure finally gave way and she appealed to the judge to believe her innocent, complaining that, in her hour of misfortune, she had been deserted by high placed friends.

When placed under proof that she had concealed jewels, which she afterwards said had been stolen, she admitted having done so, justifying the action by her motherly instinct of shielding her daughter from the knowledge that these jewels had come from a lover.

The intense public interest in the case is shown by the fact that the newspapers printed extras containing the testimony every half hour. The old scandal which grew out of the fatal illness of the prisoner's fiance of Felix Faure, the late president of France, and which a section of the press is anxious to revive, has not as yet been mentioned at the trial, although Judge De Valles announced that it was not intended to shield anyone.

"Those of Lies," Declares the Judge. Once when Madame Steinhil declared that Collard had lied the judge interrupted sharply with the exclamation: "But you also lied." At this the attorney for the woman protested against the remark. The judge retorted: "I am justified in saying that the accused has never ceased to lie concerning this affair. Her story is a tissue of lies." During the afternoon the woman broke down under excitement and was led fainting from the room.

SENDING A MISSIONARY TO EXAMINE ESKIMOS?

Dr. Cook Denies Danish Government Is Doing This, as a Report Declared.

Copenhagen, Nov. 5.—Tomorrow the consistory of the University of Copenhagen will consider the National Geographic society's proposal that a party of American scientists be present at the examination of Dr. Cook's records.

New York, Nov. 5.—Dr. F. A. Cook denies a story emanating from Copenhagen that the Danish government had despatched a Greenland missionary to the polar regions to verify the story of Cook's discovery by personal questioning of the two Eskimos who accompanied him.

SWITCHMAN McCORMICK IS CRUSHED TO DEATH

K. R. McCormick of No. 29 Ashland avenue, a switchman in the employ of the Southern railway on the local yards, was mangled between two cars on the local yards this afternoon at 1:20 o'clock while engaged in shifting, and died at 2:30 o'clock at the passenger station in the emergency room, where he was taken after the accident.

Just how the accident occurred is not definitely known since there were no witnesses to the affair; it is supposed, however, that he was caught between two cars. Dr. W. D. Hilliard attended the unfortunate man. His body was badly crushed and his hip was thrown out of place from the spine. Mr. McCormick was about 30 years of age and had been with the railway company about one year. Surviving is a widow.

Freight Train Derailed. Freight train No. 73 was derailed last night between Old Fort and Terrell at a point known as High Ridge tunnel; an oil tank car and a car of furniture went off the track. Train No. 35 from Salisbury was delayed five hours as a result of the derailment. There was also a slight freight derangement at Black Mountain this afternoon which delayed No. 11 about 45 minutes.

SONG BIRDS OF GRAND OPERA BACK FOR DOLLAR'S HARVEST



MR. ENRICO CARUSO, MISS BELLA ALTEN, MR. CARL JOHNSON

New York, Nov. 5.—Another group of singers of the Metropolitan opera forces, headed by Mr. Caruso, lina of the monkey house episode, arrived here aboard the Kronprinzessin Cecilia. There were two newcomers, American singers who will make their grand opera debut in their own country this winter after winning their way in Europe. They were Mme. Jane Osborn-Hannah of Chicago, soprano, and Clarence E. Whitfield, baritone, of Marango, Va.

Mr. Caruso was looking well and happy, although minus his mustache, and his voice was never better, he said. He declared he had left his mustache here last season. Shortly before he left Europe he completed a concert and operative tour of Europe, appearing 24 times and did not miss an engagement, which, he said, spoke very well for his voice.

Then there were Carl Jera, German tenor; Miss Bella Alten, who returns after an absence of a season; John Forsell, a new Swedish baritone, and Tullio Voghera, an assistant conductor.

THE PRESIDENT OFF FOR CHARLESTON

At Savannah Mr. Taft Made a Hit by Referring to "Ty" Cobb, the Famous Batsman.

Savannah, Ga., Nov. 5.—After breakfast at the Gordon residence, where the president stopped during his stay here, there was a sail on the river and a fast ride over the automobile course. On the way back to the station to take the train for Charleston, the president passed before the white and colored school children. Mr. Taft is the fifth president to visit Savannah during his term of office.

At last night's banquet the president made a great hit by referring to "Ty" Cobb, the famous batsman of the Detroit American league baseball team, as one of the distinguished citizens of Georgia.

Mr. Taft left for Charleston at 2 o'clock.

Two Injured Firing a Salute. In firing a salute to Mr. Taft while he was going down the river, two men, Charles Hanson, white, and Cornelius Hamilton, colored, were badly injured by a cannon explosion.

London, Nov. 5.—The great leather works of E. T. Holden & Son at Walsall, near Birmingham, were gutted by fire today. The loss is over half a million dollars.

The Spread of Cholera. Washington, Nov. 5.—Cholera has invaded the German side of the Russian border, and the consular agent at Koenigsburg has reported to the state department 22 cases, including seven deaths so far.

Managua, Nicaragua, Nov. 5.—Thursday (delayed in transmission).—Government troops defeated the revolutionists in a sharp engagement today, many of Estrada's followers being killed, wounded or captured. The government lost 15 men, including General Castillo Chamorro. The Zeledayans attacked the rebel general, Fornos Diaz, at Paso Las Lajas, capturing that point, which had been defended by 400 men.

Washington Dirt Is Sold to Tar Heels. Washington, Nov. 5.—The Marshall of North Carolinians for \$45,000. It is thought the property will be cut up into building lots.

FINER KIND OF ADVENTURERS

In His Address at Raleigh Ambassador Bryce Thus Al-luded to Sir Walter Raleigh.

HON. PLATT D. WALKER IS ELECTED PRESIDENT

Interesting Session Last Night of the North Carolina Library and Historical Association.

Raleigh, N. C., Nov. 5.—Following the brilliant address by Ambassador James Bryce in which he discussed with wonderful lucidity and force the relation of history and literature and appealed to the people of North Carolina and America to bear in mind the continuity of English and American history and persevere in searching out and adorning both, the North Carolina Library and Historical Association last night elected the following officers for the year:

President, Hon. Platt D. Walker, Charlotte, associate justice of the Supreme court.

Vice Presidents, Mrs. E. E. Moffitt, Raleigh; Dr. J. G. Deroulach, Hamilton, University of North Carolina, and Mrs. James Sprunt, Wilmington. Secretary and treasurer, C. H. Poe, Raleigh.

The Patterson memorial loving cup for the best literary production of the year was awarded to C. H. Poe for his recent book, "A Southerner in Europe." The presentation was by Ambassador Bryce. In a unique acceptance Mr. Poe would not presume to thank the association and the eminent ambassador but modestly pledged greater effort for the future.

The annual address by the retiring president, Hon. Junius Davis of Wilmington, was a paper of unusual literary merit setting out the life and service of John Walker, distinguished patriot of the lower Cape Fear.

There was an interesting summary of the historical work accomplished and under way the state historical commission by Secretary R. D. W. Connor and a stirring address by Col. J. Bryan Grimes, secretary of state, on the inauguration of a campaign for marking historical spots in North Carolina. The encouragement of art as an aid to North Carolina history and literature was the theme of a notable paper by Mrs. John Van Landingham of Charlotte.

Dr. D. H. Hill presented the annual summary of North Carolina literature and history.

Ambassador Bryce's Address. After remarking on the double purpose of the society as devoting itself both to literature and history and dwelling upon the advantages of connecting both these topics, Mr. Bryce spoke of Sir Walter Raleigh who might be called the first founder of North Carolina, as a striking type of the finer kind of those adventurers whose feats filled the earlier part of American history. He had his faults; but he had remarkable gifts, courage, gallantry, a restless and versatile energy. He was a man of high intellectual cultivation and would have been a writer—as indeed what he had written proved—had not his life been filled with active enterprises. He was one of the many ornaments of the Elizabethan Age who were scholars as well as doers of great deeds. The age of Queen Elizabeth was one which might well command the interest of Americans, because their forefathers had shared in its glory. It was the age that gave birth to the men who were destined to plant settlements along the Atlantic coast from the Carolinas to Maine. Americans ought never to forget that their history on this side the ocean was a continuation of their history on the other side. All English history down to the middle of the seventeenth century and indeed even later, was the history of the American no less than of the English people. Accordingly the two things he would like to urge upon them were that they should study the history of every age and country through its literature as well as through its events and that they should never forget the continuity of English and American history. This was true for America as a whole, because the institutions of the United States were those of the English of the sixteenth and seventeenth centuries remolded to suit the conditions of a new country and a federation of states. It was to most, directly true of the south, because in the older south, Virginia, the Carolinas and Georgia; the population was of an almost pure English and Scotch Irish stock, which had received very few immigrants from the rest of Europe. Mr. Bryce then proceeded to commend to the society another branch of history, the study of contemporary events. This age, like that which produced Raleigh and the founders of the earlier American colonies, was an age of rapid expansion and development and many of the problems, both economic and social, which confronted America were virtually the same as those which had arisen in Europe. Both as historians and as good citizens who desire to comprehend and deal with the questions which the South has to meet, one would do well to acquire a knowledge of the form which these questions had taken in Europe.

Memphis, Nov. 5.—President Taylor of the National Ginners association today issued the following bulletin: Complete returns indicate a maximum crop of 9,780,000 bales, not including lint or re-pecks. Minimum figures are 9,486,000.

Another Office for Judge Lovett. New York, Nov. 5.—It is announced that former Judge Robert S. Lovett has been elected to the committee on law and finance of the Illinois Central Railroad company, to succeed E. H. Harriman.

THE WEATHER. Forecast until 8 p. m. Saturday for Asheville and vicinity: Continued fair weather tonight and Saturday; slightly warmer tonight.

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