

THE ARGUS. DAILY AND WEEKLY.

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LOCAL BRIEFS

His many friends here were glad to see in the city Tuesday Capt. Swift Galloway of Snow Hill. The genial gentleman is looking well and is in fine spirits.

The death of Jackson Edwards, son of Mr. Jonathan Edwards, of this city, occurred last Sunday night. The interment was made in Willow Dale cemetery Monday.

The marriage of Miss Sara Farries, of this city, to Mr. Chas. Gordon Mackay, of Jersey City, N. J., took place at the Presbyterian church in this city on Wednesday morning at 10 o'clock.

When Goldsboro's new cotton factory and smoking tobacco factory start up with the opening of the spring weather our city is going to get on a real and permanent boom. Mark the prediction. Goldsboro is coming.

The final lot of machinery for the Goldsboro Cotton factory has arrived and is being rapidly as possible placed in position by Superintendent Smith, who himself moves like a piece of machinery—never gets rattled, and always "gets there."

Judge Russell, of Wilmington, who is heading his own boom for the gubernatorial nomination on the Rep-Pop-Fusion ticket, came up the city Monday, and was in conference with his supporters here. He seems to be getting somewhat shaky as to his chances.

The family of Superintendent Pritchard of the Michie Tobacco Factory—Goldsboro's new smoking tobacco factory, arrived in the city Saturday and are comfortably located in their pretty new home on "The Hill." The ARGUS assures them of a cordial welcome to our community.

Quite a number of noted Republicans of the East were in the city Tuesday, white and colored alike, on their way to Raleigh to attend Chairman Holton's call with the grand old State Republican Executive Committee. It will be a great gathering of the clans—the greatest of their ilk since '68.

SAM Slick once said that when his grandfather commenced quarreling with his grandmother the old lady always silenced him by saying, "What's the use of quarreling? You know we are going to make up, even if we do quarrel. Why not make up now?" To the Democrats of North Carolina: Why not make-up now?

REV. Mr. Cohen, Rabbi of Newbern, has been spending several days in our city the guest of Rabbi Meyerburg. He conducted service and preached at the synagogue Friday evening and Saturday, and the congregations were greatly pleased with his sermons. He gave the children, also, a pleasing talk Sunday afternoon.

Mr. L. H. Castex has returned from the Northern markets, where he and Mrs. Castex made extensive purchases in all lines of goods carried by their firm for the spring trade. Mrs. Castex is still at the North selecting specialties, in the latest styles and novelties of ladies' wear, of which the firm carry one of the most complete stocks in the South.

POLK Miller is greeted by large audiences everywhere. Goldsboro is going to show her appreciation of the justly termed "Genius of the South" and especially so as these recitals are given in order to raise funds for a monument to the memory of our beloved Vance. Seats are now on sale at Miller's drug store for the appearance of that noted humorist at the opera house on March 25th.

Mr. Dan. W. Galloway, who has been engaged during the season in buying cotton in this city for Mr. Arnold Borden, has been given a position with the Atlantic Coast Line in their freight office at Rocky Mount, and left Monday evening to assume his new duties. Dan is an experienced and competent railroad man, and his many friends here are glad of his appointment.

POLK Miller will be at the Opera House on March 25th. Joel Chandler Harris, "Uncle Remus" says: "Polk Miller is the humorist the country has been looking for." Reserved seats without extra charge at Miller's drug store. Goldsboro should give Mr. Miller a large audience. It is a treat—a liberal education, to hear him, and he comes in the interest of the Vance monument.

Mrs. S. W. Edmondson, who has been teaching at Edgerton's school, home, near Fremont, closed a most successful session of her school last Friday, with highly interesting exercises in the presence of a large gathering of the patrons and friends of the school. She is now spending her vacation on a visit to her sons, our esteemed young townsmen and hustling business men, Messrs. Ed. L. and Frank B. Edmondson.

GO TO GOLDSBORO.

Under the above heading the Henderson Gold Leaf has the following kind words to say of Goldsboro's new gain in citizenship in Mr. George S. Pritchard and family:

"The Gold Leaf very much regrets to lose Mr. Geo. S. Pritchard and his family as citizens of Henderson. They have gone to Goldsboro to live, Mr. Pritchard having formed an advantageous business connection in that place.

"The plant of the Michie Tobacco Company, machinery, stock etc., has been shipped to Goldsboro, at which point the business of manufacturing the well known brands of smoking tobacco originated by Mr. Pritchard will be carried on, on a much larger scale, he having formed a big stock company for that purpose. Thus we lose not only a good man but an important industrial enterprise as well.

"We commend Mr. Pritchard and his excellent wife to the people of Goldsboro. They are good citizens and active church workers, and are a valuable acquisition to any community. Mr. Pritchard is an honorable, straightforward, conscientious gentleman. Mrs. Pritchard is a woman of splendid character, loved for her many virtues of mind and heart. As kind and thoughtful neighbors, zealous and efficient workers in their churches, intelligent and useful citizens and honored and helpful members of society, their places will not be easily filled.

"The Gold Leaf unites with a host of friends in wishing for Mr. and Mrs. Pritchard and their children the fullest measure of success and happiness in their new home."

AN EXAMPLE FOR NORTH CAROLINA.

The chairman of the State Democratic Committee of South Carolina, in calling his committee together, says:

"Recognizing as we must the wide differences of opinion as to the details of party politics and party management, yet fully alive to the present emergency upon the Democracy, we cannot but realize that the party's purpose and success can only be attained by discipline and organization.

"The representatives of this State should therefore go to the national convention with a fixed determination to meet their brother Democrats in a spirit of amity with a view to harmony. United and in perfect accord, we ought to be able to continue in control of the government. With a determination to produce harmony, we can gain much in the direction of our desires as to the application of Democratic principles.

"We can gain nothing except the defeat of the Democratic party by open declaration of our determination to disorganize it. We cannot have our particular views carried out. However we may differ as to details with our brother Democrats from other sections of the Union, we all know that the Democratic creed and a Democratic control of the government are far better for us than anything we may expect from our opponents."

In the Dark Continent.

The English are marching gaily toward another campaign in the Sudan, quite regardless of the time they had of it there before, and of the time Italy has just been having in the same neighborhood.

The arrangement for the advance of the Egyptian forces up the Nile appears to have been made before the Italian defeat. It probably is not less needed now as a matter of defense, but the situation has become much more complicated and the French are already asking what England's intentions are.

The immediate military danger is less than the diplomatic danger. France has been pressing for an understanding about Egypt and does not like this re-assertion of the British policy of occupation. Lord Salisbury, in fact, with all his efforts to make friends, has succeeded in pleasing nobody except Italy, which is the only power that is quite incapable of rendering effective assistance.

The present Egyptian movement is a small thing, but large things may easily come out of it. International jealousies have been in a manner transferred from Asia to Africa, and it is not Africans alone that may make a campaign in the Dark Continent dangerous.

Kentucky Legislature.

Frankfort, Ky., March 15.—Governor Bradley has ordered out all three of the regiments of the Kentucky State Guard. The McCree Guards were ordered out at 9.35 to-night and took possession of the State House. The first Regiment of Louisville, will arrive here on a special train at 2 a. m. The State Capitol will be strongly guarded when the Legislature meets to-morrow.

The Legislature session will expire on Wednesday, and if no Senator is elected the State will be represented in the upper branch of Congress by but one Senator until the next Legislature meets, as, according to the rule adopted in the United States Senate last year, the Government has no right to appoint to fill any vacancy occurring by reason of the failure of the Legislature to elect.

POLK'S HARD LUCK.

Loves Bird "Meat" But Missed Two Baits This Week.

Greensboro Record.

Polk Miller's friends know that he is not only a famous shot, but a lover of bird "meat." While he of course enjoys the sport of hunting them, he goes at it in a business kind of a way, some-thing like the darkey who said, when out of meat, that it was a "ground hog case."

"The other day when Mr. Miller was in Raleigh, Col. Olds came in the dining room at the Park Hotel where Mr. Miller was stopping and while at supper, carrying in his hand several snipe which he had just shot. But let Mr. Miller tell it:

"Why didn't you come sooner?" I said to Col. Olds; "you know how fond I am of snipe or in fact any kind of bird meat." "Well," replied Col. Olds, "I couldn't get back any sooner, for I have been to the country, out I tell you what you do: to-morrow morning you order a light breakfast and I'll instruct the waiter to bring you one of the finest birds in this lot."

"All right, I said, and you may be sure I watched for Col. Olds' appearance in the dining room, for with his family he boards at the Park. When I saw he was seated at the table I walked in and was given a seat at the other end of the room, but facing Col. Olds. Seated at my table was a big, fine looking gentleman from the State of Maine, and by the way, a friend of Speaker Reed's. I kept my eye on Col. Olds and in a moment he saw me and then turning to a waiter I saw him nod towards me and give the boy some instructions. My mouth was watering while my friend from Maine was talking glibly on something—I didn't know what. Directly I saw the same waiter emerge from the region of the kitchen with a platter in his hand and start towards my end of the room. You can bet I was happy! Along glided that negro with his water elevated above his head on one hand; nearer and nearer he came with his eyes set right on my table and I prepared for business, but lo! what should he do but walk right up to my Maine friend where he dumped that snipe, remarking: "Boss, here's a bird what Col. Olds wanted you did his compliments." Tell Col. Olds I am under many obligations, said that big Maine Yankee, and with this he made short work of the bird, while I turned to the waiter and ordered scrambled eggs, swallowed them in a hurry and went out to cool off. I was hot in the collar to be sure, but powerless to do anything.

"Now," continued Mr. Miller, "it looked like this was enough punishment for one week, but tonight just before I went in to supper a friend here at the Benbow, knowing my fondness for the feathered tribe, said, 'Polk, order a light supper; I'm going to send you in a fine woodcock. Before I could administer a word of caution to him about being sure the water found me, he was gone. Well, I have just come out from supper and not a woodcock did I see. I've got a blood in my eye for somebody and if this waiter has made a mistake, too, and given that bird to another man, I'll shoot him on sight."

But while he was talking his friend came up and said that the woodcock was a little late in being prepared and therefore it was not ready when Mr. Miller was at supper.

"Say," replied Mr. Miller—and a load was lifted from his mind at once—I'll you what you do—keep that bird warm and when I return from the court house I'll eat him"—and he did, leaving Greensboro happy and contented.

It is to be regretted that Mr. Miller, who lectures in Goldsboro on the 25th inst., comes in the "off" season for birds here, because Goldsboro is noted for its fine "Quail on toast."

Spanish Cruisers.

Key West, March 16.—Since the reported departure of the steamer Commodore from Charleston, the Bermuda from New York and of other vessels from Florida points with arms and ammunition for the Cuban insurgents, this coast has been closely guarded by three Spanish cruisers. It is reported that these vessels patrol the coast from Sand Key Light to Key Florida. During the day they keep well out to sea, coming in shore during the night. They keep within hailing distance of each other and their search lights at night make it almost impossible for any vessel to pass without being seen. Prominent Cuban heralds claim that they do not fear being captured by Spanish cruisers. If they can only evade the authorities of the United States, they say they are willing to give the Spaniards a chance to capture them.

Bishop William B. Campbell, of the African Evangelist Church, was arrested at Cleveland, Ohio, yesterday on the charge of embezzling \$500 from the funds for a proposed manual training school to be located there. The reason of the failure of the Legislature to elect.

BUCKLE'S ARNICA SALVE

The Best Salve in the World for Cuts, Bruises, Sores, Ulcers, Salt Rheum, Fever Sores, Tetter, Chapped Hands, Chilblains, Corns, and all Skin Eruptions, and positively cures Piles, or no pay required. It is guaranteed to give perfect satisfaction or money refunded. Price 25 cents per bottle, for sale by J. H. Hill & Son.

The Discovery Saved His Life Mr. G. Calloutte, Druggist, Bozonsville, Ill., says: "To Dr. King's New Discovery I owe my life. Was taken with Electric Bites and tried all the physicians for miles about, but of no avail, and was given up and told I could not live. Having Dr. King's New Discovery in my store, I sent for a bottle and began its use, and from the first dose began to get better, and after using three bottles was up and about again. It is worth its weight in gold. We won't keep store or house without it." Get a free trial at J. H. Hill & Son's Drug Store.

Cure for Headache. As a remedy for all forms of headache Electric Bites has proved to be the very best. It effects a permanent cure and the most dreaded habitual sick headaches yield to its influence. We urge upon all who are afflicted to procure a bottle and give this remedy a fair trial. In cases of habitual sick headaches Electric Bites cures by giving the needed tone to the bowels, and few cases long resist the use of this medicine. Price 25 cents. Large bottles only fifty cents at Hill & Son's drug store.

LIST OF LETTERS.

Remaining in Post office at Goldsboro, N. C., March 16.

LADIES.

- B—L W Brogden, Sallie Bass, E—Emner Baggins, C—Mollie Cotton, Ida Collins, D—P Davis, George Dawes, E—Nancy Eason, G—Ella Gerdy, J—Mattie Jones, Julia Jones, P—Julia P Powell, R—Ruthy Richard, Charles Reeves, W—Margie F Williams, Margaret Whitey, Nellie Wooten, Rebecca Washington, Marie Williams, Lucy Williams.

GENTLEMEN.

- A—Geartin S Allen, C—John Thomas Coles, Alexander Coleman, D K Cecil, McDuffie Chase, D—J J Daniel, E—John Exum, L—Leslie Holland, L—H A Land, P—Moses Pearson, S—Joe Sasser, B M Smith, T—Robert Lee Thompson, Y—J M Yew.

Persons calling for above letters will please say advertised and give their names and regulations of this office must be paid on all advertised letters. J. W. BRYAN, P. M.

PIKEVILLE LETTER.

Pikeville, March 15.

DEAR ARGUS:—Our streets for the past few days have been crowded with carts and wagons hauling away guano. That eminent divine Rev. F. W. Farris, of your city, will fill his regular appointment here next Sunday at 3 o'clock p. m.

Mr. Robert Crawford went up in Wilson county Sunday on a brief visit to relatives. We learn that Mr. J. H. Bunn, who lives on Mr. W. B. Fort's plantation near here, happened to a serious accident last Friday. While returning home from his field where he had been at work, his mule became frightened at a log and ran away, throwing him out of his cart and breaking three of his ribs and his collar bone. Dr. Lewis attended him and he is said to be getting along as well as could be expected.

Mr. and Mrs. Oscar Stith went up to Wilson Saturday to visit relatives. That clever and courteous young gentleman, Mr. W. H. Edgerton of Kentwood, was in town Saturday and his numerous friends here were glad to greet him. Elder J. T. Edgerton returned home to-day from Little Creek, near Smithfield, where he preached Sunday.

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GLEANINGS

Items of Interest Clipped From our State Exchanges.

Washington Messenger: The close season for partridges began March 15th and the birds will have nest, the slaughter of this excellent bird has been enormous this season.

Wilson Advance: His many friends were pained to hear of the death of Mr. Lum Winstead, which occurred Saturday night at 12 o'clock at his home on Pender street. The deceased was 48 years old.

Southport Leader: Mrs. Caroline Benseled died at the home of her son, Mr. R. B. Benseled, in this city yesterday afternoon at 2.30 o'clock. Mrs. Benseled was a native of this county, and was born February 25, 1824.

Raleigh News and Observer: Major W. A. Guthrie, of Durham, says that he is a candidate for the Populist nomination for Governor, and that either himself or some other Populist will be nominated, and that the nominee will be at the cross-roads when the fun begins and very much in evidence at the next inaugural ceremonies.

Asheville Citizen: R. R. Donaldson and Miss Carrie G. Moore of Hopkinsville, Christian county, Ky., were married Tuesday at 3 p. m. at Trinity Episcopal church, Rev. McNeely DuBose officiating. The wedding was a very quiet affair, only the immediate family being present. Mr. and Mrs. Donaldson will return to Kentucky Monday.

Charlotte News: Col. John Robinson, ex-Commissioner of Agriculture, who travels all through the State, says: "I am a Democrat, I want you to understand, and nothing else. But I'll tell you this; the silver sentiment is very strong and it is rooted in this State. The silver men will carry this State, regardless of party lines, and I do not believe any gold bug can carry it."

Henderson Gold Leaf: The Baptist denomination in North Carolina has taken another step forward. This is the creation of a new office and new work, that of Sunday school missionary. Rev. B. W. Spillman, for some time pastor of the Baptist church in Kinston, has been elected to this post. He is a young man of native force and talent and the section is counted a good one. Mr. Spillman is a graduate of Wake Forest College. He was raised in Weldon.

Greensboro Record: Dr. R. K. Gregory received this morning a handsome silver medal, awarded by Wedderburn & Co., patent attorneys at Washington for meritorious inventions, Dr. Gregory's inventions being his bicycle tires and brakes. The medal is accompanied by a U. S. Treasury certificate as to its standard fineness. It is of fine work, exceeding in art and effect. This recognition of Dr. Gregory in line for competition for the big prize—\$1,800 in cash.

Roxboro Courier: Mr. Luther Thomas one of our popular livermen met with quite a painful accident last Friday morning. He was going out in the country to take Miss Flora Clayton, daughter of Mr. L. G. Clayton, home, when crossing the railroad track at the depot his horse became frightened, and he got out of the buggy to lead the horse across the track when he started in a dragging run, throwing him some distance and throwing Miss Clayton out of the buggy, but fortunately she was not seriously hurt.

FREE SILVER OR BUST.

Some citizens of Morgan county, Ala., who call themselves Democrats, have very little claim to be considered. The speeches made on the resolutions adopted at their recent convention make the test of Democracy devotion to a principle which is not to be found in any platform of the party and which none of the great Democratic statesmen ever advocated, namely, the free and unlimited coinage of silver without regard to its parity with gold.

The convention refused to endorse the Democratic platform of 1892. That is not sufficiently Democratic on the currency question, and in place of it a money plank almost identical with that of the Populists was adopted.

This convention in Morgan county, Ala., should have sent fraternal greetings to the members of the illustrious Democratic convention in Sumter county, Tenn., who declared that Andrew Jackson and Thomas H. Benton were the originators of the present movement for the free and unlimited coinage of silver at the ratio of 16 to 1.

The U. S. Treasury gold reserve at the close of business yesterday stood at \$127,564,712. The withdrawals for the day amounted to \$100,800.

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HOLTON'S VIEWS.

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CAPITAL.

The Enemy, Protection. CAPITAL has been defined as anything capable of gratifying our desires or of procuring for us by means of our efforts. One of the objects of gratification. To a man who has loved ones dependent upon him, the amount necessary to procure a policy of life insurance will furnish more gratification than the same amount spent for anything else.

A great many folks are anxious for the protection of our sea coasts against the enemies that may never attempt to land on our shores. There is, however, an enemy which will certainly enter their homes some day and when he departs the husband and father will be dead.

Protection, protection, protection is the cry that goes up from all classes: Make us safe, says the merchant to his customers; write the deeds so that we can hold the lands, says the clients to the lawyers.

Now, no other investment is as safe for your family as a life insurance policy in a reliable, old-line life insurance company. One of the objects of gratification, and best is the Home Life Insurance Company of New York. If you are interested in the great subject of life insurance, it will afford me pleasure to give information concerning the excellent policies of the Home Life; these policies are the "Acme of protection." A. C. DAVIS, General Agent for North Carolina, Goldsboro, N. C.