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This ARGUS over the people's lives.
Deth an eternal vigil keep

No soundings strains of Mair's song
Can fill its hundred eyes to sleep.

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CONFESSES KILLING HUSBAND

MRS. TAYLOR CONFESSES
KILLING HER
HUSBAND.

Aided by Her Daughter, She Chopped His Body to Pieces, Burned Them in the Stove, Ground the Bones and Fed Them to the Chickens.

Monticello, N. Y., Feb. 9.—Mrs. Lafayette Taylor, of Centerville, Sullivan county, confessed to having killed her husband, Lafayette Taylor, and burned the body on January 26, to escape detection. Taylor disappeared on the night of January 25, and was supposed to have deserted his family. On February 6, Mrs. Taylor attempted to sell a horse to a Centerville man, who would not buy for fear Taylor might come back and claim it. Mrs. Taylor told him to rest easy on that point, for she had killed him and burned his body. The 14-year-old daughter of the Taylors was asked about the story her mother had told about having killed her father. She said the story was true. Mrs. Taylor was arrested and to-day made a full confession.

Her story is that her husband, who was a hard drinker, came home on the night of January 25, very drunk and began to abuse her. She secured a revolver which she had purchased a few days before and tried to frighten him. He attempted to take it from her and in the struggle it went off, the bullet striking him over the eye and killing him instantly. She was so frightened for fear of being arrested for murder that she decided to cut up the body and burn it. Her 14-year-old daughter witnessed the shooting and helped her to cut up the body in small pieces with an axe and burn it in the kitchen stove together with the clothing of the victim. The burnt bones were ground fine and fed to the hens. The blood spots were covered with paint.

The Taylors lived on a farm a mile from the main road and the chances of discovery were few. Mrs. Taylor is about 40 years old. She says she confessed because the crime haunted her. She was brought to the Monticello jail to-night. The daughter has not been arrested yet.

NOTHING TO SAY.

Grover Cleveland Sees No Occasion for Talking Out.

Cincinnati, Feb. 9.—In response to a direct inquiry as to whether he was a candidate or would accept another nomination for the presidency, the following has been received from former President Grover Cleveland: Princeton, N. J., Feb. 6, 1903. To the Editor of Times-Star, Cincinnati.

Dear Sir:—I received your letter of the 4th instant, asking on behalf of the Times-Star for an expression regarding my intentions as related to the next Democratic nomination for the presidency.

I cannot possibly bring my mind to the belief that a condition of sentiment exists that makes any expression from me on the subject of the least importance.

Yours, very truly,
GROVER CLEVELAND.

English Spavin Liniment removes all Hard, Soft or Calloused Lumps and Blisters from Horses, Ponies, Spaniels, Cattle, Swine, Sheep, Goats, Rabbits, etc. It cures all Swellings, Stiffness, Sprains, all Swollen Throats, Coughs, etc. Have \$50 by use of one bottle. Warranted the most wonderful Blomfield Cure ever known. Sold by M. E. Robinson & Bro., druggists, Goldsboro, N. C.

FINE FINANCIAL SHOWING.

The Bank of Wayne Declares a Five Per Cent Semi-Annual Dividend.

Elsewhere in this issue we publish the statement of the Bank of Wayne, the directors of which have just declared a semi-annual dividend of 5 per cent, and in mailing the dividend checks to the stock holders, the cashier, Mr. Walter E. Borden, has sent them the following letter, which we have been permitted, by one of them, to publish, and which breathes of the patriotism, appreciation and conservatism that have ever characterized the administration of this splendid financial institution, that through all the years of its history has been the unflinching bulwark of Goldsboro's progress and is the pride of our town:

"At the close of its fiscal year, on January 31st, we find that your Bank has earned during the past six months something more than twelve thousand five hundred dollars, or an equivalent of more than twenty per cent per annum upon its capital stock. The deposits of your bank have more than doubled during the past five years, and its total assets to-day stand at three quarters of a million dollars.

"These conditions have been brought about by an earnest effort on our part to build up this community, and to meet every reasonable demand of the public. We endeavor to make a friend of every depositor, and to make his account on our books of value to him as well as to ourselves. With the showing made as above stated, your Directors have thought it not unwise to pay to you a semi-annual dividend of five per cent.

"I take much pleasure in handing to you herewith our check to cover same.

Yours very truly,
W. E. BORDEN,
Cashier.

There is nothing we can add to this letter, except that, coming, as it does, as an official statement of the bank, it sustains what the ARGUS has, from time to time, of its own knowledge, had to say in reference to the Bank of Wayne.

A reference to the published statement of this bank on February 1, 1898, five years ago, adverted to in the above letter, and comparing it with the statement in this issue, we find in that statement (1898) the surplus was \$40,000, the undivided profits \$3,081.87, and the deposits \$242,613.50, and the round totals \$430,449.35.

Our readers can make their own comparisons between the two statements and measure the progress achieved within the intervening five years, and from this realize the steady growth of Goldsboro as a city. In fact, we doubt if any other bank in the country can show such a record. All of which goes to yet further sustain the claim of the ARGUS that we've got the best town in the State.

Statement of the condition of BANK OF WAYNE.

At close of business, Jan. 31, 1903.

RESOURCES.

Loans and discounts	\$488,664.54
Overdrafts	6,741.78
Stocks and Bonds	27,000.00
Premium	6,000.00
Real Estate	21,761.00
Cash in Vault and due from banks	223,607.09
	\$773,774.41

LIABILITIES.

Capital	\$125,000.00
Surplus	50,000.00
Undivided profits, net	26,925.11
Due Depositors	571,849.30
	\$773,774.41

\$100—Dr. E. Detchon's Anti-Diuretic may be worth to you more than \$100 if you have a child who soils bedding from incontinence of water during sleep. Cures old and young alike. It arrests the trouble at once. \$1. Sold by M. E. Robinson & Bro. druggists, Goldsboro.

Washington, Feb. 4.—The Senate to-day confirmed the appointment of Daniel W. Patrick, Collector of Customs, district of Pamlico, N. C.

NEW "OVERCHARGE" BILL.

TO CONVERT THE PENITENTIARY INTO A HOSPITAL.

To Vaccinate All Public School Children—Mr. Erwin's Substitute Bill to Prevent Overcharges in Freight Rates—Resolution About the Peabody Fund.

Raleigh News & Observer Feb. 9.

The House yesterday passed a joint resolution introduced by Judge Graham to investigate the cost of converting the penitentiary building into a hospital for criminal insane or other useful purposes.

It is claimed that, as so few prisoners are kept at the prison here in Raleigh, the room thus apparently wasted should be utilized.

Another resolution by Judge Graham was adopted. It concerns the distribution of the Peabody Fund, and requests the trustees of that fund to set aside for educational purposes in North Carolina the sum to which the State may seem to be entitled under the deeds of trust of 1867 and 1869.

This resolution is on the strength of the statement in the press that the trustees contemplated closing the trust and concentrating the fund in the several States.

A bill requiring all public school children to be vaccinated was introduced by Judge Graham. It provides that no child or person not vaccinated shall be admitted into any of the public schools of the State. The school committee may adopt a resolution excluding children not vaccinated until they are vaccinated, and post copies of the notice at least ten days beforehand. Within two weeks after such announcement, it shall be the duty of the county superintendent of health to visit the school and vaccinate all children not previously vaccinated. The teacher of the school shall furnish to the vaccinator a list of the children enrolled, and within ten days he shall report on the vaccinal status of the school to the county superintendent of instruction, the county sanitary committee and the secretary of the State Board of Health.

Mr. Hoffman introduced a substitute for his bill to protect the traveling public by having capable and efficient agents and operators at railroad stations. The maximum for a day's work is now set at twelve hours instead of ten hours. Otherwise the substitute is practically the same as the original bill, requiring agents and operators to furnish evidence of proficiency before they can be employed by a railroad or telegraph company.

A substitute introduced by Mr. Erwin for his bill to prevent overcharges in freight rates makes a number of changes in that important measure, but in no way weakens it. In the first place the roads are given fifteen days instead of ten in which to refund any excess due to an overcharge.

Then the fine for violation of the law is put at \$50.00 for the first day and \$25.00 for every day thereafter that the excess is not refunded. A new provision compels the roads to move freight within forty-eight hours after the bill of lading is issued, and to keep it moving. It is made a misdemeanor to hold freight at any intermediate station for more than forty-eight hours.

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LO! HERE IS UTLEY.

Walks Into Sheriff's Office and Surrenders—Says He Escaped Unaided, That the Locks Were Opened By a Device of His Own.

Fayetteville, N. C., Feb. 6.—Ed. L. Utley's voluntary surrender to the authorities this morning caused a sensation equal to his escape. His insanity is now generally conceded. Utley says no outsider assisted him, that the locks were opened by a device of his own invention. He exonerates the jailer fully, saying that he simply let himself out and walked away. Near Wakulla, in Robeson county, he bought a horse to be called for later. He returned at night, and having read a newspaper account of his escape, realized that the jailer, who had befriended him in prison, was discredited. On this account he made himself known to his host, a farmer named McGirt, gave him his pistol and a large sum of money and agreed to pay the expenses of both back to Fayetteville. Utley says he walked out of the jail at 10 o'clock Monday night and traveled on foot all that night. The next day and night he spent in a swamp. He is silent as to his whereabouts on Wednesday night. Thursday he spent in a swamp, and that night he stayed with McGirt, from whom he bought the horse.

At eleven o'clock to-day, while the sheriff and a posse were out on a supposed clue, he entered the sheriff's office and entertained Colonel Cook and others for an hour before the officers returned. Utley is now in his old cell, which has been furnished with new locks. McGirt, who accompanied him, does not claim any reward, although a total of \$1,000 was offered for Utley's arrest.

FRUITS OF FULLER BILL.

Southern Gives Winston New Station, by Order of Corporation Commission.

Raleigh News & Observer.

The Fuller Union Depot bill has done some good even before it is passed.

Winston has just gotten a new passenger and freight depot from the Southern Railway.

Some time ago the Winston Board of Trade sent a petition to the Corporation Commission, asking for a new freight depot and passenger station, and additional side-track facilities for handling freight. The petition was granted and yesterday the Southern Railway answered through Col. A. B. Andrews, first vice-president, that the matter was now in the hands of architects, and that the station would be built as soon as the plans were completed and bids secured, and that additional tracks for sidings would be laid as soon as the rails were received.

YOUNG LADY DROWNED.

Miss Ethel Royster Swept From a Buggy Into a Creek.

Oxford, N. C., Feb. 4.—Miss Ethel Royster, daughter of Mr. L. A. Royster of this place, and a teacher in one of the county schools, was drowned this morning in Hatchett's run while on her way to school. In the buggy with her were a young man named Tilottson and his sister, who escaped similar fate by clinging to bushes overhanging the creek. The horse was drowned. The body of the young lady has been recovered.

Relief in Six Hours.

Distressing Kidney and Bladder Disease relieved in six hours by "NEW GREAT SOUTH AMERICAN KIDNEY CURE." It is a great surprise on account of its exceeding promptness in relieving pain in bladder, kidneys and back, in male or female. Relieves retention of water almost immediately. If you want quick relief and cure this is the remedy. Sold by M. E. Robinson & Bro. druggists, Goldsboro, N. C.

GOSSIP OF THE WORLD.

ITEMS OF INTEREST FROM
DIVERS SOURCES.

The Latest Telegraphic News of the Day Boiled Down to a Focus For Busy Readers.

More than 150 books on the war in South Africa have been published.

Practically half the population of Wales is to be found in Glamorgan-shire.

A chimney of 115 feet high will, without danger, sway ten inches in a wind.

Winston-Salem, N. C., Feb. 10.—The Episcopalians here have bought a four thousand dollar lot on which they will erect a handsome stone church.

Lexington, N. C., Feb. 10.—A case of smallpox developed in the western suburbs of the city yesterday. The patient is a colored woman, and the disease is in a rather mild form.

San Francisco, Cal., Feb. 10.—All the warships in Admiral Glass squadron sailed from this port for Honduras to-day. With the New York are the Boston, Marblehead and Ranger.

London, Feb. 10.—The steamer Watchful, of Liverpool, to-day sank the steamer Arthur, of Cardiff in a collision off Barry. Most of the crew of the Arthur were asleep at the time of the accident, but eight men were saved. Five others were lost.

Durham, N. C., Feb. 10.—At a meeting of the Chamber of Commerce here to-night the Fuller Depot Bill was the greatest consideration. They requested that every one in Durham interested in the union depot will write a letter to one Senator asking for his support of the measure. A list of Senators was given out to the people so they could select any one they wished to. Fifty-one copies of the illustrated souvenir, recently published in Durham, will be sent down to Mr. Fuller to be placed on the desk of every Senator. This will be done that the Senators may see the progress of our city. These resolutions were signed by Aldermen McClade, H. M. Snow, W. H. Rogers.

Asheville, N. C., Feb. 5.—Congressman J. M. Moody died at his home in Waynesville this afternoon at 1:45 o'clock. The news of Major Moody's death came as a shock. He had been ill for several weeks in Washington before he returned to Waynesville last Saturday morning. Part of his time he was in a Washington hospital, and when it was seen how really serious his condition was it was suggested by his physician that he go home and take a rest from his congressional work. It was thought also that the damp, cold weather at the capitol was injurious to him, and that when he returned to the high, dry and healthy atmosphere to which he was accustomed he would recuperate.

Washington, Feb. 9.—The story sent out by the Associated Press Sunday, to the effect that John D. Rockefeller wired a number of Senators urging the defeat of the anti-trust publicity amendment to the commerce bill, is regarded with skepticism in Washington. Not a person has yet been found who will come forward and say he saw one of these alleged telegrams and will vouch for its authenticity. Every member of the Senate has been sounded, and so far as it is possible to learn, none of them know anything about these much discussed messages from Mr. Rockefeller. It was pretty well settled in newspaper circles to-day that the story was given out by Mr. Roosevelt himself at the White House last Saturday night.

It is said that Texas alone markets \$50,000,000 worth of cattle annually.

A SAD DEATH.

The Spirit of Miss Florence Tucker Boylan Quit Its Prison Last Night.

Raleigh News-Observer, Feb. 5.

Many hearts will be sorely grieved this morning when it is learned that Miss Florence Tucker Boylan is dead. Since Saturday she has been seriously ill, but none thought that the bright life of this most popular young woman would thus end so suddenly. The end came to relieve her suffering last night at 11 o'clock.

Miss Boylan was the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. James Boylan, the granddaughter of Mrs. Florence P. Tucker, and the sister of Miss Mary Kinney Boylan, Miss Margaret T. Boylan, Miss Katherine Boylan, Mr. William Boylan, and Mr. Rufus T. Boylan, all of whom are heart-broken to thus have their daughter, grand-daughter and sister so suddenly taken from their midst.

The sincere sympathy of the whole community goes out to the grief-stricken family.

Miss Boylan was known in social circles throughout the State. Her friends are legion. She was known as a bright young woman, possessed of a lovely, enviable character. It was only to know her to be her friend. Her presence shed a ray of happiness on every gathering. Her short life of twenty-one years is marked with innumerable deeds of kindness and charity. It is needless to say that she will be sorely missed in Raleigh and throughout the State. The funeral arrangements will be announced later.

Winston-Salem, Feb. 9.—William Lash, colored, was found in a gutter in Salem this evening, unconscious. He was drinking and lay on the ground all night. He died a few minutes after being carried to the police station.

Wilmington, N. C., Feb. 4.—Mr. Harvey Cox, a prominent citizen of Onslow county, son of the late Sheriff Harvey Cox, was found dead in the road yesterday morning, half way between his home and Jacksonville. He spent Monday in Jacksonville and was drinking heavily all day. That evening he started home, driving in a buggy. He lived 12 miles from Jacksonville. Yesterday morning his dead body was found. It was evident that he had fallen out of the buggy and was dragged some distance, there being plain evidence of the fact along the road.

Washington, Feb. 4.—Senator M. A. Hanna introduced in the Senate to-day a bill which not only provides for pensions for ex-slaves, but actually arranges for families, ranging from \$500 to \$100 in value. There is only one interpretation of the Ohio Senator's action, and that is, he has made a bold effort to outbid Mr. Roosevelt for the negro vote. Every Republican politician in the present day apparently trims his sails to catch the negro vote, and it would seem that Mr. Hanna has fallen in line.

Letter to F. J. Hage.

Goldsboro, N. C.

Dear Sir: You naturally want to make your own and your customer's money go as far as possible. So, in the general interest, we tell you why fewer gallons of Devco Lead and Zinc will paint a house than mixed paints.

Let's suppose you are using lead and oil. Instead of lead and oil you put in four-fifths whiting, lime, water, and other stuff that doesn't paint at all. Put that against a gallon of lead and oil, and what will it do? One-fifth as much.

How much of your labor is wasted? Four-fifths. How good a job will it make? No comparison. How much good will it do you in your business to turn out such a job?

And so on.

Devco Lead and Zinc paints a house with fewer gallons than mixed paints, and wears twice as long as lead and oil.

Yours truly,

F. W. Devco & Co.,

New York.

P. S.—Smith & Yelverton sell our paint.