

# Goldsboro Weekly Argus

This ARGUS is for the people's rights—  
Doth an eternal vigil keep

No soothing strains of Mals's airs  
Can lull its hundred eyes to sleep.

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## WIFE RECOVERING REASON.

### H. M. FLAGLER'S DIVORCED WIFE HERSELF AGAIN.

#### A True Story of How Two Rich Men Treated Their Insane Wives—"Till Death Do Us Part."

Kansas City World.

It is telegraphed from Florida that Mrs. Ida Flagler, divorced wife of Henry M. Flagler, the Standard Oil millionaire, is recovering her reason.

The announcement brings to mind the story of a husband's callousness if not his crime.

Mrs. Flagler was the wife of her husband's youth. She endured with him early privations and with him struggled to get up in the world.

When she went insane Flagler had a law passed by the Florida legislature permitting him to divorce this wife. The Flagler millions were presumably drawn upon to secure this law. Anyway, the law the multi-millionaire desired was passed, and there was great scandal because of alleged bribery.

Being freed from the old wife Flagler married a younger and handsomer woman.

And to add to the pathos of the story the divorced wife knows nothing of what has happened while she was insane. She is driven daily about the sanitarium, but by Mr. Flagler's orders is never taken beyond the limits of the village. Perhaps a lingering regard for the discarded wife leads Flagler to keep all the facts from her so long as possible.

That is one story.

Here is another:

The wife of a wealthy Chicago citizen lost her mind. Being pronounced insane by a commission the officers came to take her to an asylum. Her husband said they could take her only over his dead body. He sold his business and gave all his time to care for her. It was an awful task, but he did not shrink. Finally he took the insane wife to Kentucky, where she was reared and where he had courted her. There, amid the scenes of her childhood, she began living her life over again and in time was restored.

This man was a husband.

Flagler held marriage as a convenience, this man a sacred covenant, "Till death do us part."

Letter to E. W. Cox,  
Goldsboro, N. C.

Dear Sir: Some think we take a good deal of risk in inviting complaints of Devoe lead and zinc—we authorize our agent to sell it under this guarantee:

"If you have any fault to find with this paint, either now in putting it on, or hereafter in the wear, tell your dealer about it."

"We authorize him to do what is right at our expense."

The following story tells how little the risk is:

J. H. Asher & Co., hardware dealers, Rhinebeck, N. Y., have sold Devoe from '76 to now, and have just one complaint in all this time.

Three slides of a house were perfect; the fourth was as bad as the three were good.

Explanation—It rained the night before the fourth slide was painted; and the painters didn't wait for the wood to dry.

What is done in such a case? Whatever the dealer, who sold the paint, considers it fair to do. We leave it to him. He may not do exactly what we should do if we were there; but we are not there. The best we can do is to leave it to him.

Yours truly,  
F. W. DEVOE & CO.

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

## CHOPIN'S FUNERAL MARCH.

### How It Was Composed, As Told By Ziem.

New York Times.

Late one summer's afternoon Chopin and I sat talking in my studio.

I spoke of music and he of painting. Strange, is it not? Artists are very fond of exchanging views in this way.

In one corner of the room stood a piano and in another the complete skeleton of a man, with a large white cloth thrown ghostlike about it.

I noticed that now and again Chopin's gaze would wander, and, from my knowledge of the man, I knew that his thoughts were far away from me and his surroundings.

More than that, I knew that he was composing.

Presently he rose from his seat without a word, walked over to the skeleton, and removed the cloth. He then carried it to the piano, and seating himself, took the hideous object upon his knees.

A strange picture of life and death! Then drawing the white cloth round himself and the skeleton, he held the latter's fingers over his own and began to play.

There was no hesitation in the slow, measured flow of sound which he and the skeleton conjured up.

As the music swelled in a louder strain I closed my eyes, for there was something weird in that picture of man and skeleton seated at the piano, with the shadows of evening deepening around them and the ever-swelling and ever-softening music filling the air with mystery.

And I knew I was listening to a composition which would live forever.

The music ceased, and when I looked up the piano chair was empty, and on the floor lay Chopin's unconscious form, and beside him, smashed all to pieces, was the skeleton I prized so much.

The great composer had swooned, but his march was found.

## THE NEW STEAMSHIP

### "Monroe" Of the Old Dominion Steamship Company.

The Steamship Monroe, the latest addition to the large and modern fleet of the Old Dominion Line, which operates a daily line between New York, Old Point Comfort and Norfolk, has taken her place in the Line with the Steamers Jefferson, Hamilton, Princess Anne and Jamestown.

There are no steamships running out of New York which are more popular than those of the Old Dominion Steamship Company. The Short Sea Trips of this line have long been popular with the traveling public, and the increased patronage has necessitated the Company's adding to its fleet during the last few years the five new, handsome ships now in service. One of these boats sails from both New York and Norfolk daily, except Sunday, and in connection with the railroad lines south of Norfolk they form a popular link in the north and southbound travel.

The Monroe is a modern ocean-going steel ship of superb lines and rich interior furnishings adapted to the highest class of ocean travel. She has 4,500 horse-power, which will give her a speed of 16 knots per hour. She is 366 feet long over all, with 46 foot beam, and her engines are of the triple expansion type, and has accommodations for 150 first-class passengers and 78 second class.

### The Non-Irritating Cathartic

Easy to take, easy to operate—

### Hood's Pills

See late arrivals in Matting's at Parker & Falkener's.

## FLAG-SHIP RAISED.

### THE WAR SHIP REINA CHRISTINA, WHICH DEWEY SUNK RAISED IN MANILA BAY.

#### Eighty Spanish Skeletons Were In Her Hull—Fifteen Punctures Show For the Work of Admiral Dewey's

#### Men and

#### Guns.

Manila, April 12.—The war ship Reina Christina, flag ship of Admiral Montojo, which was sunk by Admiral Dewey in Manila Bay, was floated and beached yesterday. The skeletons of about eighty of her crew were found in the hulk. One skeleton, evidently, was that of an officer, for it had a sword by its side.

There were fifteen shell holes in the hull of the Reina Christina, one made by an eight-inch and the others by smaller shots. The main injection valve is missing, showing that the ship was scuttled when Admiral Montojo abandoned her. The hull is in fair condition.

Capt. Albert R. Couden, commanding the naval station at Cavite, took charge of the remains of the Spanish sailors, expressing a desire to give them an American naval funeral. The Spanish residents, however, are anxious to ship the skeletons to Spain, and it is suggested that the U. S. Transport Sumner convey them to Spain by way of the Suez canal in June.

A wrecking company is endeavoring to raise all the sunken Spanish war ships.

## PRICE OF COTTON.

The census bureau reported a crop of about 10,750,000 bales, and this report started a severe tussle between the two opposing and militant forces in the market, and at this writing spot cotton has been marked up to or above 10 cents, and contract cotton is soaring toward 11 cents. May cotton has sold up to 10.40.

The statistical position of cotton is undoubtedly favorable to those desiring higher prices. Stocks stand at about 650,000 bales, as against 1,103,000 bales last year and 1,337,000 bales year before last. The home mills and the export demand have both consumed cotton freely, and today the American stocks are low indeed. The truth is, this country has not grown in the last three years the cotton the world expects from it. The crop of 1899-1900 was but 9,436,000 bales, and the effects of such a shortage are still felt. The world really needs an American crop of 11,000,000 bales, and American stocks are now so low an American crop of 12,000,000 bales would be absorbed without difficulty.

The position of the Southern farmer is assured, simply because the needs of the world, so far as his chief cash crop is concerned, have outgrown production. It is not probable that a crop exceeding 12,000,000 bales can at present be produced, and anything below that aggregate will be speedily taken by mills at home and abroad. As things are going the world will crowd the Southern farmers, demanding at every turn more cotton. This is why European countries are endeavoring to grow cotton elsewhere, but commercial cotton grown outside of America is a scarce article. India needs foodstuffs more than cotton; Egypt's cotton acreage is limited to irrigation; and the other countries are not producing much cotton for export use. The burden falls upon the South, and the Southern farmer will have his hands full if he supplies the world's wants in the next three or four years.

## SUSPECTS DISCHARGED.

### The Two Young Men Supposed to Be the Mt. Olive Safe Robbers, Set Free In Charlotte.

The two young men who were arrested in Charlotte some days ago and remained in jail in that city for 10 days suspected of being the parties who robbed the Mt. Olive post-office safe, have been discharged as will be seen from the following taken from the Charlotte Observer:

"The people of Charlotte have been very much interested in the case of Messrs. E. P. Virgin and W. F. Adams, the young men who were arrested here on March 30th, on the charge of robbing the postoffice at Mt. Olive. They were kept in jail here for 10 days, and when they were finally permitted to come to trial, they were discharged, no evidence whatever to sustain the charge having been brought against them.

"They have gone their way honorably acquitted, and with a degree of notoriety which, though unpleasant, may in the end help to advertise them and their business."

## COST OF LIVING.

According to R. G. Dun & Co., the average price of a year's supplies for one person on April 1st was \$99.26, or \$1.80 less than at the beginning of March.

These are welcome figures. The authority compiling them stands high, and it is very probable that they are about correct, and that commodities are cheaper now than they were a month ago. Nor is it at all strange that there should be a decline in the cost of living, now that the advance of spring has brought in an abundance of market products, the effect of which is daily seen in the current quotations. The lowest point reached during recent times was in July, 1897, when the figure was \$72.45. The highest mark—\$102.28—was reached in May of last year.

Excellent crop prospects and increasing production of all commodities give promise of a further decline; though there is as yet no prospect of the congested dullness which began ten years ago and lasted until 1899.

Prices seem to have passed their meridian. Wages, on the contrary, are still advancing. This is a wholesome condition, rendered possible by improved methods and labor saving machinery. Less and less labor being required to produce a given article, the labor itself commands a higher price, and yet the article may be sold more cheaply without wiping out the margin of profit.

## Relief in Six Hours.

Dressing 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.

Grass Valley, Cal., April 11.—The stage running between Nevada City and Fownesville was held up by a lone highwayman to-day, about seven miles from Nevada City. The Wells-Fargo box was taken, but the amount of treasure it contained is not known. There is no clue to the robber.

## Your Tongue

If it's coated, your stomach is bad, your liver is out of order. Ayer's Pills will clean your tongue, cure your dyspepsia, make your liver right. Easy to take, easy to operate. 25c. All druggists.

Want your mustache or beard a beautiful brown or rich black? Then use BUCKINGHAM'S DYE FOR THE WHISKERS. Sold by druggists, or by mail, 25c. per box. BUCKINGHAM'S DYE FOR THE WHISKERS. Sold by druggists, or by mail, 25c. per box.

## ANOTHER WAIF BABY.

### A Novel Tax Upon Goldsboro's Reputation For Philanthropy.

On Saturday night between 12 and 1 o'clock a basket of baby clothes, with a boy baby to wear them, variously estimated from one to three months old, was left up on the porch of Dr. Frank Boyette, the dentist, by some unknown person, who, after vigorously ringing the door bell, made his or her retreat. Dr. Boyette on going to the door found the basket as above. Then the doctor did some ringing. He rang up the police at city headquarters and told them his troubles and asked them to come and arrest the baby, which Officers Denmark and Fulghum proceeded in haste to do. They took the sleeping infant, snugly tucked away in the basket of clothes, and carried it to the home of Mr. and Mrs. George Stith, who compassionately took it in and by whom it is now being cared for.

This is the third instance in recent years of babies being left at homes in Goldsboro, and the most careful research has developed that they were surreptitiously brought in here from elsewhere. This is a manifestation of outside confidence in Goldsboro's philanthropy that our community would rather not have so frequently—or, even at all—impressed upon them.

## THE PHILIPPINES.

The president's speech at Fargo, N. D., was devoted to matters in the Philippines and to the army, the two being cognate subjects inseparably joined together. The President insists that all promises made by the Republican party to the Filipinos have been fulfilled. Peace and order have been restored—on paper. He admits that there were Jake Smith irregularities, but these have been minimized or punished.

He commends the legislation of the last Congress in the interest of the Filipino people, giving them a currency system and a home constabulary, but inflicting upon them a three-quarters share of Dingleyism, although they are part and parcel of this country. The tariff imposed on Filipino articles demonstrates beyond the power of words that the little brown people are subjects living in a colony, and as such they will remain while the Dingley party remains in power.

Very naturally the President drops the discussion of the Philippines to take up the subject of the army, the two being interdependent. He virtually commends an army of 60,000 men, although an army of 25,000 men had been considered sufficient down to the McKinley administration. He commends, too, the general staff bill "made in Germany," and the quasi organization of the militia as a part of the regular army in times of war or internal disturbance. "The militia law," says the President, "enacted by Congress, marks the first long step ever taken in this direction by the national government." It does indeed, and if future Congresses are Republican in both branches no doubt it will be enlarged and broadened and deepened until the militia is practically added to the regular army, thus giving us an establishment as large as Germany's and more expensive—a war establishment that will awe all enemies of our noble band of campaign contributors, rendering them strong, secure and aggressive.

\$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.

Chapel Hill, April 11.—Carolina defeated Wofford College at Spartanburg, S. C., to-day by a score of 2 to 0.

## 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.

Baltimore, Md., April 11.—Senator McLaurin, of South Carolina, in an interview printed here, says the Mohawk Valley Steel Company, of which he is vice-president, has let contracts for the building of an immense iron and steel plant at Brunswick, Ga., to cost \$10,000,000.

Salt Lake City, Utah, April 11.—Brigham Young, president of the Council of Twelve Apostles of the Mormon Church, died in this city to-night, after a lingering illness. He was born at Kirtland, O., in 1836, and was the eldest son of President Brigham Young.

Monroe, N. C., April 9.—Capt. L. A. W. Turner, of this city, was found dead in his bed this morning, about 6 o'clock. He had been suffering for some time with rheumatism, but last night was apparently no worse than he had been for some time. Captain Turner served in the Civil War in the capacity of captain, Company A, Forty-eighth Regiment, North Carolina Troops.

Bristol, R. I., April 11.—With an American eagle at her bow, the cup defender Reliance was launched at the Herreshoff works just before sundown to-day. Five hundred persons stood beside the glistening underbody of the yacht, when, at 5:31 o'clock, Miss Nora Iselin, daughter of C. Oliver Iselin, the managing owner of the boat, broke with the sturdy blow of a silver hammer, the traditional bottle of champagne, saying at the same time: "I christen thee Reliance, and may God bless thee."

The Chicago Record-Herald shows from the public records that there are 51,538 divorced people in the United States, of whom 32,205 are women, and 18,334 men. The difference in the numbers of the sexes is due to the fact that more divorced men remarry, thus ceasing to be counted among the divorced. The tables show that Chicago heads the list of divorce cities of the country, far outranking New York, which has a much larger population.

## Cures Cancer and Blood Poison.

If you have blood poison producing eruptions, pimples, ulcers, swollen glands, bumps and risings, burning itching skin, copper-colored spots or rash on the skin, mucous patches in mouth or throat, falling hair, bone-pains, old rheumatism or general catarrh, take Botanic Blood Balm (B. B. B.). It kills the poison in the blood; soon all sores, eruptions heal, hard swellings subside, aches and pains stop and a perfect cure is made of the worst cases of Blood Poison.

For cancer, tumors, swellings, eating sores, ugly ulcers, persistent pimples of all kinds, take B. B. B. It destroys the cancer poison in the blood, heals cancer of all kinds, cures the worst humors or suppurating swellings. Thousands cured by B. B. B. after all else fails. B. B. B. composed of pure botanic ingredients improves the digestion, makes the blood pure and rich, stops the awful itching and all sharp, shooting pains. Thoroughly tested for thirty years. Druggists, \$1 per large bottle, with complete directions for home cure. Sample free and prepaid by writing Blood Balm Co., Atlanta, Ga. Describe trouble and free medical advice also sent in sealed letter.

## SPECIAL RATES

On the first and third Tuesdays of April, May and June the Frisco System (Saint Louis & San Francisco Railroad) will have on sale reduced one way and round trip tickets from Birmingham, Memphis and Saint Louis to points in Arkansas, Missouri, Oklahoma, Indian Territory, and Texas. Write W. T. Saunders, G. A., P. D., Frisco System, Atlanta, Ga., for information.