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## JURY PLACES BLAME.

### Eight Arrests for the Disaster at Terra Cotta.

Conductors and Engineers of Both Trains, Train Dispatcher and Telegraph Operator Held to Be Subjects for the Grand Jury Inquiry.

Washington, January 9.—The coroner's inquest over the Terra Cotta wreck of Sunday night, December 30th, to-night held for the action of the grand jury Harry H. Hilderband, engineer of the "dead" train, No. 2120; Frank T. Hoffmiller, conductor of that train; P. F. Dent, night train dispatcher at Baltimore; William E. McCaulley, division operator at the Baltimore and Ohio Railroad; B. L. Vermillion, engineer of local train No. 66, into which No. 2120 crashed; George W. Nagle, conductor of train No. 66; J. W. Kelley, Jr., trainmaster of the Baltimore and Ohio, and William Dutrow, telegraph operator at Silver Spring.

All the men held except Dent, Kelley and McCaulley were in the building where the inquest was held, and were at once put under arrest.

Just before the jury retired to-day, Charles W. Galloway, superintendent of the Baltimore and Ohio, was asked by the coroner if he had heard all the testimony, and he replied that he had. He was asked if he could point out any rule which had been violated by the witnesses in the case. Mr. Galloway replied: "They have all been violated; all the rules relating to the movement of trains." Mr. Galloway said that in his opinion the engineer and conductor of No. 2120, the "dead" train, were equally responsible. He was asked if he was surprised at the disclosure apparently showing laxity among the operators regarding the rules governing their position. He said:

"I am surprised at their disregard of the trust. I can only say that in operating a railroad you must depend upon the fidelity and trustworthiness of the employees. If they are lacking in that, I know nothing that will compensate for it."

The verdict of the jury was that the deaths were caused "by impact, due to the act of Operator William Dutrow, in displaying an improper signal to the crew of train No. 2120;" and directs that Dutrow be held for the action of the grand jury.

The jury also held for the grand jury the others already mentioned as responsible in a less degree for the deaths. The jury arraigned the block system of the Baltimore and Ohio as not affording satisfactory protection to the lives and property and signal men on the road, and recommended that all block signal stations be kept open twenty-four hours a day and no additional duties be given the operators aside from working the signals and attending to their telegraphic duties.

## AN ENJOYABLE EVENING.

Editor ARGUS:

Quite a number of young people were delightfully entertained at a reception given on Tuesday evening, January 8th, by Mr. and Mrs. J. R. Jinnett, at their beautiful country home, the happy event being in honor of the birthday of their daughter, Miss Jinnett.

The invited guests began to arrive about 7:30 o'clock, and after conversing together for a while, were led to the spacious dining room, where a table, beautifully decorated, and loaded with tempting viands, was awaiting them.

After supper they again gathered in the parlor, where they amused themselves by playing games, music and in many other ways. After enjoying the evening together until a late hour, the guests departed, all expressing themselves as having spent a most pleasant evening with their charming hostess.

A READER.

## Three Dead; 24 Missing.

Pittsburg, Pa., Jan. 9.—As a result of an explosion of a furnace at the Eliza Furnaces of the Jones and Laughlin Steel Works to-night, three persons are known to be dead, seven are in a hospital with serious burns and injuries, and 24 are missing.

## NEWS FROM WALTER.

### Interesting News Items From That Prosperous Neighborhood.

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WALTER, N. C.  
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Mrs. Jim Kellam, of Greensboro, is on a visit to her daughter Mrs. Doc Willis.

Mrs. Warrick, of Granthams, is visiting her daughter Mrs. Norman Hood near Ebenezer.

Mr. and Mrs. Herbert Howell are occupying the cottage recently built by Dr. Crawford, where Mr. Howell will be manager of Oak Glen farm.

Rev. and Mrs. A. L. Ormond were here last week, adding pleasure to the home of Dr. and Mrs. Will Crawford.

Master Will Ormond, who has been spending a few days at Oak Glen, left this morning for Princeton to join his father, on their way to their new home at Kenly.

Miss Mattie Caldwell left last Saturday to resume her duties at Lemon Springs school, after a visit to home-folks, at "Southern Oaks."

Mr. Hugh Edwards, who has been spending the holidays with his parents Mr. and Mrs. Jno. S. Edwards, returned to Trinity last week.

Mr. Robt. Yelverton and sister Miss Annie, from Stantonsburg, spent several days here last week, the guests of Mr. Leland and Miss Lizzie Becton.

Mr. and Mrs. Douglass Hastings, of your city, were in our community Sunday visiting Mr. and Mrs. William Smith, returning home this afternoon.

Mr. Phil Snipes has sold out his interest in the store at Grassmere, to his partner Mr. Doc Toler, and will give his entire attention to his farm. Mr. Toler will continue the business.

Mr. and Mrs. Jodie Hines have the sympathy of the community in the death of their baby, which occurred at their home, near Grassmere Saturday, after a few days illness with pneumonia. We commend them to Him who said "Suffer Little Children to come unto me," for that comfort which He alone can bestow.

Our young friend Mr. Jno. Neal is building a very neat cottage on the land he recently bought. We do not know whether he intends applying for membership to the Bachelor's Club as soon as the Pres. Mr. Bill Thompson returns, or what. But we are watching developments.

Paying \$15 per acre for wood on land, standing on the stump, does not look much like real estate is depreciating in our section. If it continues to increase in value, land will be up in the pictures, in a few more years.

Mr. and Mrs. R. L. Hooks gave a delightful party at their home near here last Thursday night, at which quite a crowd of young people were present. Music and dancing were features of the occasion, in which the old fashioned quadrille played the most important part, and gave pleasure and enjoyment to each, as the "light fantastic" measured time with the banjo and bow. This carries me back to the long ago, when a crowd of young people would gather at some neighbors house for a social dance. The music generally consisted of our fiddler and he did not make any attempt to "perform on the violin," but he "jess nacherly," fiddled, and could sit in the corner and fiddle and sweat, (for it opens the pores to draw the bow) all night, and make the very woods around echo and reecho to the sweet strains of "Mississippi Sawyer," "Rosin the Bow," "Gray Eagle," "Torkin Dear," "Arkansas Traveller," "Old Coon Fooled His Daddy" and etc., which were calculated to make a fellow pat his foot, if he did not join the "Set." The old gathering where the fiddler fiddled, and the quadrille or cotillon was danced, was mighty hard to beat for solid enjoyment. We knew as much about the "german," as we did about the language, but for an evening's solid pleasure, these gatherings were of fullest measure.

For Three Cents to pay postage, The Bank of Wayne will send you a Booklet containing the prominent facts of North Carolina History.

## TO INVESTIGATE MR. BAILEY.

### Resolution for a Sweeping Inquiry Into the Conduct of the Texas Senator Introduced in the Texas Legislature.

Austin, Tex., Jan. 9.—A resolution providing for a sweeping investigation of the conduct of United States Senator J. W. Bailey was introduced in the House of Representatives of the State Legislature to-day. It is signed by 28 members of the Legislature. Senator Bailey's term expires on the march 4.

In the primary election of last July Senator Bailey was endorsed for Senator by almost unanimous vote of the people. Since that time it is charged that evidence has been obtained by which it is said shows he has received large sums of money in loans and from the Waters-Pierce Co., the Kirby Lumber Co., the Security Oil Co., and personally from H. C. Pierce, of the Waters-Pierce Oil Co.

## STATE MASONS.

### All of the Old Officers Were Re-Elected.

Raleigh, January 10.—The Grand Lodge of Masons will adjourn to-day, having held one of the most largely attended annual meetings in its history, there having been registered as in attendance 528 Masons, while there are actually more than this present, as some have not registered.

At the night session all the present officers of the Grand Lodge were re-elected, and the installation of these will take place this morning. These officers are:

F. D. Winston, Grand Master, Windsor.  
S. M. Gattis, Deputy Grand Master, Hillsboro.  
R. N. Hackett, Senior Grand Warden, Wilkesboro.  
W. B. McKoy, Junior Grand Warden, Wilmington.  
Leo D. Hearitt, Grand Treasurer, Raleigh.  
John C. Drewry, Grand Secretary, Raleigh.  
To succeed himself John W. Cotton, of Tarboro, was re-elected a trustee of the Oxford Orphan Asylum for six years.

## Wishes to Give Way to Younger Man.

Raleigh News and Observer.

Dr. M. M. Marshall, the revered and greatly beloved rector of Christ church, of this city, has presented his resignation to the vestry of the church.

Final action on this is held in abeyance until a meeting of the vestry to be held Monday evening, January 21st, at which time action in the matter will be taken.

It is understood that Dr. Marshall has had this matter under consideration for some time, yet the report of his desire to retire from active work has been heard with surprise and regret. The vestry is loathe to accept the resignation, and takes two weeks to consider the matter, while pressure is being brought to bear upon Dr. Marshall to have him reconsider his action.

For fifty three years Dr. Marshall has been in the Episcopal ministry, and thirty-three of these years have been spent in Raleigh as the rector of Christ church. He is greatly esteemed and loved in Raleigh, not alone by the members of his own parish but by all the citizens. His life has been a benediction to all who have come in touch with him, his ministrations being filled with so much love and gentleness that all in this city hope he can be induced to continue his work.

## CANNOT ATTEND.

### But the President Will Contribute a Letter to Lee Memorial.

Washington, January 9.—President Roosevelt today was asked to attend the Robert E. Lee memorial meeting to be held in this city on the 19th instant, under the auspices of the Association of the Confederate Veterans and the Daughters of the Confederacy. This will be the centennial anniversary of the birth of General Lee, and is to be generally celebrated throughout the South. The President will not be able to attend the meeting, but promised to send a letter.



## A MODERN PIRATE.

### Wrecks of Vessels Which Strang Sent to Bottom.

How many people know that pirates once infested the inland seas of America? Very few, probably; and yet as late as the year 1855, there was a pirate vessel operating upon Lake Michigan, under the command of the notorious Captain Strang.

Interest in this vessel has been revived by the discovery of the hull, partly burned, and almost completely buried in the sands of Beaver Island. Strang was called "The Pirate King," and his boat was named "The Eclipse." It was his custom to sail forth from Beaver Island and lie in wait for the unfortunate vessels that passed, capture them, plunder them, and make their crews either conform to the peculiar customs of the inhabitants of his island retreat, or else murder them. Strang had a kind of a religious, or irreligious, sect of his own invention on that island. It is said that the faith bore something of a resemblance to that of the Mormons.

Perhaps the complete recital of the horrors of Beaver Island will never be written, but enough has been discovered to show that no buccaneer of the Spanish Main ever led a more bloody and pitiful existence than this Corsair of the inland sea. Numerous skeletons have been dug up by the residents of the island, and these are supposed to be the remains of the murdered victims of the pirate Strang. A great many old hulks and hulls have been discovered beneath the waves near the island. These are the wrecks of the ships which Strang sent to the bottom. Strang was finally put out of business in 1855 by a force of state officers. His boat was captured but not until after a bloody fight. It was set afire. But Strang, who had no other virtues, seems to have had the virtue of gameness, at least. Himself and all his crew died fighting.

## Just Received

### 30 Head of Mexican Horses.

We have broken many of these horses to work and they can be sold for HALF the money, and will do as much work as a Missouri Mule. On account of the high altitude on which these horses were born, they have greater lung power and more BOTTOM than any horse that come to our market. We have made arrangements to keep these horses on hand all the time, as we know they will satisfy the trade, especially when crops are poor, and all other stock very high. You can buy them from \$100.00 to \$125.00, and they will do your ploughing and driving too. Come and see them work. Respectfully,

Bennett Live Stock Company,  
DON SCOTT, Manager. Goldsboro, N. C.  
Wayne County.

## A Car Load!

Best Mules ever brought to Goldsboro---among them several pairs of match mules---received to-day at the sale stables of the undersigned.

W. R. HOLLOWELL.

Opposite Court House.

Goldsboro, N. C.

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