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HORRIBLE CASE OF INFANTICIDE

Colored Child Killed by Crushing Its Brains And Then Buried.

DISCOVERY MADE THURSDAY

Anonymous Letter Received By Mayor Ormond Revealed Tragedy In Little Washington.

From Friday's Daily.

One of the most horrible cases of infanticide was made known on yesterday afternoon upon the receipt of the following anonymous letter addressed to the Mayor:

"We want you to come down here and attend to Anna Whitley for killing a new born baby. When it was born she told her mother to kill the d--n thing, she did not want it. Her mother crushed its brain and took and buried it in the garden. So we think the case ought to be looked after and make them tell something about the child. Ella Whitley was there the night it was born. Anna Whitley heard it being born. The girl that had the baby was named Anna Whitley. Her mother, Harriet Whitley, lives in "Little Washington."

Immediately upon the receipt of the above letter, Mayor Ormond called in Coroner Stanley and Acting Chief of Police Jack Fulghum. The document was given to the Coroner and an investigation was started at once. The note was received at 5 o'clock and at 6:30 p. m. Anna Whitley and her mother, Harriet Whitley were confined in jail, upon the serious charge of infanticide.

The new-born babe was found in the garden in the rear of the house occupied by Anna Whitley. It was buried beneath six inches of earth and was naked. The child was taken to the Coroner's office and Dr. Ginn summoned, when a jury was sworn to take evidence. The jury was composed of Messrs. L. M. Michaux, Fred Overman, C. D. Taylor, Robert Edwards, B. W. Nash and W. T. Yelverton. Evidence was taken and the hearing continued until 3 o'clock this afternoon.

The child was buried this morning in Elmwood cemetery. The alleged mother of the child denied the charge at first, but afterwards confessed her guilt.

Much credit is due Coroner Stanley and Officer Fulghum for the manner and promptness with which they acted. Within a few hours after the discovery, the guilty parties were in jail.

The hearing in the infanticide case as published in the Argus yesterday, was continued late Friday evening. Many witnesses were examined at the Coroner's inquest and the jury rendered the following verdict:

"That the said infant came to its death by suffocation at the hands of Harriet Whitley and Anna Whitley, and that the act was premeditated and wilful." The jury was composed of Messrs. L. M. Michaux, C. D. Taylor, B. W. Nash, Jr., W. T. Yelverton, F. C. Overman and R. H. Edwards.

The two women were committed to jail until the April term of court, when they will be tried on the serious charge of murder.

MAGOON LEAVES AND GOMEZ ASSUMES THE REINS.

Havana, Jan. 28.—Gov. Magoon's time ends today. American control ceases as President Gomez is inaugurated and Gov. Magoon leaves Cuba for the United States. A banquet was given to Magoon and Gomez as honored guests at Magoon's request, all airs played were Cuban. The reception was held at the Clerk's Club and the apartment was brilliant with beautiful women and handsome men.

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COMMENTS ON SWAMP DRAINAGE.

Representatives From North Carolina Give Their Views On This Subject.

Spokane, Wash., Jan. 28.—Congressman Richmond Pearson Hobson, of Alabama, writes from Washington, D. C., to R. Isinger, chairman of the local board of control of the 17th National Irrigation Congress to meet in Spokane, August 9 to 14, that forestry, deep waterways and homebuilding to be discussed here, are of vital interest to the people of his state. Mr. Hobson says among other things in his letter:

"I have undertaken to have the general work of the department of agriculture come closer to the people of my district. I think there are large possibilities for development of this kind of work throughout the entire country. In my district the work has covered the subjects of forestry, good roads, soil surveys, education farm utilization and is soon to take up the question of seed breeding, and after that cover the subjects coming under the bureau of animal industry. I would suggest that you have a general committee on government co-operation appointed to consider these subjects."

United States Senator John H. Bankhead, of Alabama, writes that he will attend the convention, adding: "Irrigation is doing a great work for the country and I hope for it every possible success."

Congressman O. W. Underwood, of Alabama, who was a member of the congressional committee which originated and prepared the bill providing for the irrigation of the arid west, writes that he is deeply interested in the subject, but that the people of the state have a vital interest in forestry, drainage, good roads, deep waterways and homebuilding.

Congressman H. L. Goodwin, of North Carolina, says that the people of his state are much interested in the subjects of drainage, forestry, deep waterways and homebuilding.

Congressman John D. Small, of North Carolina, writes that the eastern part of his state is interested in drainage, forestry and deep waterways and that he will attend the convention in Spokane, if possible.

Ralph H. Faxon, secretary to United States Senator Chester J. Long, of Kansas, says that the people of his state are chiefly interested in irrigation, forestry, drainage and homebuilding. He adds:

"It is my intention to take an active part in forming a substantial delegation from Kansas, particularly the western part, to the Spokane congress. We are interested in the continued campaign in favor of irrigation and forestry, and of course, the promotion of Kansas and the Arkansas valley. Irrigation by water electrically pumped, naturally, is our greatest concern, as we have a government reclamation project at Garden City which has successfully demonstrated this. We use the underflow of the Arkansas river."

Mr. Faxon was secretary of the Kansas delegation to the Albuquerque convention and secretary of its committee on resolutions and is also a member of the congressional committee of the congress appointed by President Barstow.

Congressman William A. Reeder of Kansas, chairman of the committee on irrigation of arid lands, writes that he is in hearty sympathy with the work, which, he adds, means more to the great west than any other movement.

Mr. Isinger has also received letters from other congressional representatives in the south manifesting interest in the Spokane congress.

BODIES OF CHENEY AND WIFE

Arrive In New York Today, Burial Saturday.

New York, Jan. 28.—The bodies of United States Consul Cheney and his wife, who were killed in the Messina earthquake, arrived in New York on the Fabre liner Venezia today. A battalion of United States marines were at the company's pier in Brooklyn by order of the war department to escort the remains of the consul and Mrs. Cheney to the Grand Central station.

Mr. and Mrs. Cheney will be buried Saturday afternoon in New Haven, their home.

FOR NEW SYSTEM CRIMINAL COURTS.

Senate Concerned With House In Increasing Salaries of Commissioners.

RECORDER'S COURT BILL.

Bill Presented To Abolish Office of Solicitor, and Create New Office For County Attorneys.

After the sharpest debate during this session of the Legislature the Senate yesterday by a vote of 18 to 14 tabled the bill by Mr. Klutz to prohibit the sending of public documents with the "compliments" of officers of State. The bill had passed its second reading Thursday, but upon the objection of a Senator the third reading was denied the measure at the time it was thought it would pass.

The Latham bill was made a special order in the Senate for next Thursday at 12 o'clock, and the Empe bill to prohibit the selling of quail or grouse within North Carolina for a period of two years will again receive the attention of the Senate next Wednesday at the noon hour. Both these bills have passed their second reading.

The Senate concurred in the House amendment to the bill increasing the salary of the Commissioner of Labor and Printing, and that official is now receiving an annual compensation of \$2,000, his former salary being \$1,500.

Mr. Peale presented in the Senate an amendment to the State Constitution, abolishing the office of Solicitor and creating the office of County Attorney. The House was strictly business yesterday, and disposed of a great many bills of local importance, Speaker Graham announcing at two o'clock that the calendar of private bills had been cleared.

Owing to the fact that many prominent members were absent in attendance upon committees, no bills of a general nature were considered.

Mr. Doughton, of the House Judiciary Committee, reported favorably on the Senate bill giving Durham a recorder's office.

A bill to incorporate the Mercantile Bank of Elizabeth City, which had not been before a committee, upon being reached in the House yesterday, contained so many privileges, on motion of Mr. Connos, it was referred to the Committee on Banks and Banking.

A great many bills were introduced most of these being of a local nature.

The most important public bills introduced were those by Mr. Turlington, of Iredell, providing a general system of recorder's courts, and by Mr. Connor, of Wilson, to prevent compulsory insurance of employees of corporations.

HOOD SWAMP CHURCH HAS CLAIM FOR \$650.

Washington, D. C., Jan. 29.—The omnibus claims bill, carrying an appropriation of about \$3,000,000, which has been favorably acted upon by the House of Representatives, was passed by the Senate to-day with an amendment repealing the law allowing the reference of Southern war claims to the court of claims by the Senate or House of Representatives.

North Carolinians have twenty-five thousand dollars in the bill, all in small items. One in addition to these heretofore published, put on by the committee, is a claim for \$650 for the Hood Swamp Baptist church, in Wayne county.

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LIEUT. MORGAN ELECTED CAPTAIN.

Succeeds Capt. Cohen As Commanding Officer of Goldsboro Rifles.

CAPTAIN COHEN PROMOTED.

Second Lieutenant E. A. Simpkins Promoted and Succeeded by W. S. Granger at Recent Election.

As stated in the Argus some days ago, Captain S. Cohen, who has for so many years, been the commanding officer of the Goldsboro Rifles, Co. D has recently been promoted to the position of Inspector of Small Arms Practice of the Second Regiment and as on account of this change, Captain Cohen had to sever his connection with his old company, an election was held at the Armory of the company on Thursday night to choose Captain Cohen's successor.

The unanimous choice fell to Lieut. N. R. Morgan, who has filled the place of 1st Lieutenant in the company during the past six years. Lieut. Morgan was the only candidate for this highest office in the company and the entire company was practically as one man in expressing their wish. The same was the case in selecting the successor to the position thus vacated by Lieut. Morgan, Second Lieutenant E. A. Simpkins being elected to the position of 1st Lieutenant, without a dissenting vote.

Mr. W. S. Granger, who has been for years a member of this company and who has held various positions as non-commissioned officer in the company, was chosen to fill the Second Lieutenant's place.

Captain Cohen, in a few well-chosen words, said his official farewell to his old comrades, stating that he severed his connection with Co. D reluctantly, but that he felt, that being called to a wider field of work, he would still have an opportunity to help Co. D, along with the other organizations of the Guard, of which he will have entire charge in all matters relative to indoor and outdoor target shooting.

The company as reluctantly parted with their old commanding officer, who has done so much at all times to bring the company up to its present proud position in the military of this State.

These sentiments were feelingly reciprocated by the newly chosen officers, and by unanimous vote Captain Cohen was elected an honorary member of the company.

The Argus, ever alive to all that pertains to the public institutions of our fair city, and realizing that our military has reflected the greatest credit on our city and its people at all times, notes with gratification the result of the election held. And while we, too, are sorry to see Captain Cohen relinquish command of Co. D, we are glad that due honor and promotion have come to our young friend, and we feel that the new officers of Co. D will keep that organization ever up in the front rank with the best in the State, and we, therefore, extend to them our heartiest congratulations.

Success to you, gentlemen, and success to the organization of which we all feel so proud. None will watch your progress and note your excellence and success with more pride and pleasure than the Argus, and if you need a word of cheer to help you over the rough places, such as we all must encounter at times, the Argus will speak it in season and gladly.

We've got The Best Town in the State, our every public institution is second to none anywhere and we feel assured that under its new regime Co. D will continue to merit the slogan of the Argus.—We Go Forward!

WILLIAM'S BIRTHDAY.

Berlin, Jan. 27.—Emperor William of Germany is fifty years. He is obscured from the public today. He received the congratulations from the heads of government's from many lands. William looks ten years younger on account of his exercise and dieting.

DAUGHTERS IN ARMS AS RESULT OF AWARD.

Dr. Alderman and Dr. C. Alphonso Smith Censured By U. D. C.

Richmond, Va., Jan. 29.—Richmond Chapter, United Daughters of the Confederacy, has indorsed the report of Mrs. Herman V. Randolph, acting for the investigation committee appointed January 13, protesting against the essay to which the \$100 prize was awarded by the Daughters and strongly censuring Dr. Edwin A. Alderman, of the University of Virginia; Dr. Alphonso Smith of the University of North Carolina, and Dr. Finney, of New York College, the committee making the award.

The attention of the Richmond chapter was called to the prize essay at its meeting of January 13, when a strong letter of protest was read from Captain John E. Laughton, of Washington, D. C., who stated that the prize essay written by Miss Christine Boyson, of Columbia University, and published in the December number of the Confederate Veteran abounded in misstatements and vilification of the southern cause. Mrs. J. Enders Robinson said:

"They have shown themselves grossly neglectful of the United Daughters of the Confederacy—a body of women 28,000 strong—and ungrateful to them as workers for the cause."

"IS LIFE WORTH LIVING?"

Chicago Record-Herald.

The suicide of Alice Law, a young woman of 26 who had found life "unendurable," although the circumstances of her "case" as described by herself indicate that she had much to be thankful for, will doubtless revive the discussion of the old, old question as to the pain-pleasure balance in this strange world of ours.

Miss Law seems to have had unusual abilities and sufficient practical fitness to earn a salary which certainly meant neither physical hardship nor exclusion from the comforts and some of the luxuries of life. She had a passion for music and was able to gratify it in a large measure; she was a reader of serious books and something of a philosopher. Tens of thousands would have considered her lot enviable, yet she herself condemned that lot as "too hard."

Her explanation of the fatal step in the "note" she left says strikingly that "there is too much work, too much monotony, too much weariness, and not enough art, recreation and rest." Many might say this with much greater reason than she apparently had, yet, after all, they find the balance a favorable one. Any normal person of intelligence and average education should succeed in making life tolerably varied and enjoyable.

In a city like Chicago there is enough "art" in the forms of music, drama, paintings and sculpture to meet reasonable needs, and as to rest and recreation, surely the ordinary workaday does not unduly encroach on their allowance. One may set aside seven or even eight hours for sleep and yet have enough time for reading, for walks, for social calls, for entertainment.

Doubtless with further progress life will be made more attractive than it is to large classes of toilers, but even in our present stage of civilization none but the exceptionally unfortunate, the morbid, the victims of unhappy dispositions or of very bad habits tending to produce depression and melancholy can complain of excessive monotony and lack of sunshine, beauty and interest.

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ASKED THAT NEGRO RECEIVE PENSION

Petition From Onslow County First of Its Kind Presented.

TO EXTEND PIKEVILLE STREET

Bill Passed Final Reading Which Will Allow Students to Use Contested Highway.

Swamp drainage occupied most of the time of the Senate yesterday, while the House hears a petition to put negro on pension roll.

A message was received from the governor transmitting a letter from Hon. R. H. Battle, secretary of the board of trustees of the State University, giving the number of vacancies on the board of trustees to be filled by the present general assembly.

S. B. 36: An act relating to the extension of a street in Pikeville. Passed.

S. B. 69: To provide for the inspection of meters in towns of North Carolina.

This bill was reported unfavorably and a substitute was presented by the committee, making the adoption of the provisions of the bill by the towns and cities of the state optional with them.

Senator Kintz moved that the bill be re-referred to the committee. Motion lost.

Senator Barringer offered an amendment that any person or firm who installed a meter without first having it tested should be guilty of a misdemeanor and punished as such.

Senator Pharr objected to this provision. Senator Barringer spoke in support of it, declaring that some provision to enforce the law is absolutely necessary. Senator Barringer's amendment was lost and the substitute bill passed.

S. B. 72: To increase the salary of the assistant state librarian from \$800 to \$900. Passed its second and third readings.

One of the novel features of the House session was a petition from citizens of Onslow county asking that James Sanders, a negro, be placed on the Confederate Pension roll.

EMPEROR MENELIK DEAD.

Claimed to Be a Descendant of Solomon and the Queen of Sheba.

Paris, Jan. 27.—Emperor Menelik, of Abyssinia is dead according to an announcement from an official source. The empress Taitou has been directing public affairs for some days and it is said it is feared the death of the king will be followed by trouble at the capitol. He has reigned since 1889 and was the first king of his dynasty. He claims to be a descendant of Solomon and the Queen of Sheba.

There is more Catarrh in this section of the country than all other diseases put together, and until the last few years was supposed to be incurable. For a great many years doctors pronounced it a local disease and prescribed local remedies, and by constantly failing to cure with local treatment, pronounced it incurable. Science has proven Catarrh to be a constitutional disease and therefore requires constitutional treatment. Hall's Catarrh Cure, manufactured by F. J. Cheney & Co., Toledo, Ohio, is the only constitutional cure on the market. It is taken internally in doses from 10 drops to a teaspoonful. It acts directly on the blood and mucous surfaces of the system. They offer one hundred dollars for any case it fails to cure. Send for circulars and testimonials.

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