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**ROPEL FOR RAPE.**  
The Beast Brackett Pays the Penalty of His Crime:  
MILLITIA BEHIND TIME.

THEY ARRIVED FORTY MINUTES AFTER THE LYNCHING.  
THE YOUNG WOMAN WAS RESCUED.  
SHE WAS SENT FOR FOUR AND A HALF MILES AWAY.

**NEGRO SEEMINGLY HALF CONSCIOUS.**  
He Made No Protest, and He Was Strung Up So Quietly that Half the Hangers on Did Not Know that He Had Been Done.

Asheville, N. C., Aug. 11.—Bob Brackett, the negro assailant of Miss Kittle Henderson, was lynched this afternoon. As announced in an Associated Press dispatch last night a mob broke into the jail at this place and commenced to batter down the steel doors that led to the cells. The doors soon yielded and it was then discovered that Brackett had been spirited away by the officers. All the other prisoners in the jail were liberated.

Pursuit of the officers was at once commenced and a crowd caught up with them at Terrell station, on the Southern Railway, eighteen miles east of Asheville, where this morning. Brackett was taken from his protectors, but the mob could not get to the destination of him. Some wished to hang him there, but the stronger party decided to take him back to the vicinity of his crime. It was 4:35 a. m. when the party started out at night, leading the negro, now nearly exhausted and seemingly only half-conscious, though he had not been ill treated. Breakfast was had with a farmer, the negro having his share and then the walk of some twelve miles was resumed. The route was through a deep ravine, between towering mountains. At noon Hemphill's school house was reached, and there the party was informed that the Asheville militia had been called out and were on their way to meet the mob. After consultation, Miss Kittle Henderson the negro's victim, was sent for four and a half miles away, that she might see her assailant hanged. When she arrived the negro was strung up so quietly that half the hangers on, who had gathered from the country round, did not know that it had been done. No shots were fired, and the mob dispersed after a half hour, leaving the body hanging. At no time was it possible for the militia to have interfered. This is the third lynching in Buncombe county in twelve years.

**SOME REDUCTIONS IN RAILROAD ASSESSMENTS.**  
 Raleigh Letter in Asheville Citizen.  
The railway commission has made a reduction of \$50 per mile on the valuation of the Georgia, Carolina & Northern Railway, leaving it at \$9,000. Reductions were asked for, but not allowed, on the Raleigh & Augusta and on the Carolina Central between Hamlet and Monroe.  
As to the Western North Carolina, a reduction of \$500 per mile is made between Round Knob and Paint Rock, leaving it \$8,500. The valuation of the Atlantic & Charlotte Air Line is made \$11,500 per mile, the same as the Raleigh & Gaston and the Wilmington & Weldon. This is a reduction of \$500 a mile also from the recent assessment.

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**THE SANCTIFICATION BAND.**  
WORKING GREAT EVIL IN EASTERN NORTH CAROLINA.

A Letter to the Governor Giving Account of Some of Their Vile Teachings.  
Governor Russell has received a stirring appeal to come to the rescue and drive from the state the vile "sanctified band" which is inflicting some of the eastern counties. The letter says:  
"We beg you to stop the victims of the laws of God and man, which are disturbing the good people of our section. There is a band among us known as the 'Lynchites,' going about in what they call 'bricks,' or floats and who are teaching the people that no matter what they do so long as they are 'sanctified' it is no sin. The result is they are parting man and wife. The women claim to become sanctified and then whatever they do is no sin. These people are telling women that after sanctification they can be any man's spiritual wife. They are demoralizing the whole country, ruining young women and bringing strife among the people. They go for as to say that ministers who have been preaching God's word for twenty and forty years ought to be killed. Young women are drowning their offspring in numbers. Many are going crazy. The leaders are the meanest and lowest people in the world and were driven from Virginia on account of their behavior in that state. We ask you to issue a proclamation that all those who join and all those who have joined these Lynchites leave our state. If you desire to know more write the following: Beaufort, Carteret, Pamlico, Oaslow and Pitt counties. If alleged by some that these people use a horseman's drug. We pray you to give us relief. If you do not do something for the people, will, but they ask you to grant relief."  
Private Secretary Alexander says the matter will be at once laid before the solicitors, so prosecution can be made. The matter will be pressed.

**Coffee Plant in Chatham**  
Mr. James Kelly's daughter has a coffee plant growing. Last April she picked what is commonly called a double grain of coffee—a grain which had not been pulled apart—and planted it in a box. It came up and is now some three feet high, our reporter says, and is a very beautiful plant. The main stem is nearly as high as a chair post.—Chatham Citizen.  
[We know of two growing in this county. Mrs. M. Deal, of Little River, has a beautiful one growing in her yard. It is very nearly, or quite as high as a man's head. Mrs. Emily Brown who also lives in Little River, has one much larger than the one mentioned above. It blooms every year but has never borne berries.  
These little trees were grown from berries picked out of coffee, such as spoken of above, but were planted out in the ground where they are growing.—Topic.]

The following bit of information concerning our postal expenditures is taken from the New York Commercial Advertiser:  
"At first glance it seems strange that the postal service of the United States should cost \$9,000,000 a year above receipts, while that of Great Britain yields a profit of over \$14,000,000, that of France nearly \$10,000,000, that of Germany \$6,000,000, that of Russia, \$8,000,000 and that of even India and Japan \$1,500,000. About the only other nations whose postal service does not pay expenses are Canada, Norway, Siam, Chile, Peru, Bulgaria and Bolivia. But light is thrown upon our postal deficiency by the fact that the United States has six times the length of postal routes by railroad of any other country."

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**PREMIER ASSASSINATED**  
Canovas del Castillo of Spain Shot by an Assassin.

"Long Live Spain," He Grieved and Passed Away—Death of Anarchist at the Baths, the Summer Residence of the Spanish Court.  
Madrid, Aug. 8.—Senor Canovas del Castillo, prime minister of Spain, was assassinated at Santa Agueda by an anarchist.  
The murderer fired three shots, one of which struck the Premier in the forehead and another in the breast.  
The wounded man fell, dying, at the feet of his wife, who was with him, lingering an hour in agony, and then passed away crying "Long live Spain," which were the last words upon his lips.  
Santa Agueda is noted for its baths. It is between San Sebastian the summer residence of the Spanish court, and Nittoria, the capital of the province of Alava. The Premier went there last Thursday to take a three week's course of the baths, after which he expected to return to San Sebastian to meet United States Minister Woodford.  
The assassin was arrested soon after the shooting. He is a Neapolitan, and gives the name of Rinaldi, but it is believed by the police that this is an assumed name and that his real name is Michele Angiolo Gelli.  
At a special meeting of the cabinet to-day Senor Gas Gayon, minister of the interior, announced that he had been entrusted by the Queen Regent with the premiership ad interim.  
The murderer says he killed Senor Canovas "in accomplishment of a just vengeance," and that the deed is the outcome of a vast anarchist conspiracy. He is believed to have arrived at Santa Agueda the same day as the premier, and was frequently seen lurking in the passages of the bathing establishment in a suspicious manner.  
Senor Antonio Canovas del Castillo had a notable career. He was born at Malaga February 8, 1828. Having taken a course in philosophy and law in the University of Madrid, he began his career as a journalist.  
Senor Canovas was the author of numerous books on moral and political science, of a "History of the House of Austria," which is in high repute, and a "History of the Decline of Spain from the Accession of Philip III to the Death of Charles II," which ranks favorably among works of his class.  
Dr. A. H. Davega died at his home in Chester, last Sunday night, in the 75th year of his age. He was one of the most valued citizens of Chester, having been identified with the business of this town for the greater part of his life. He has conducted most successfully a large drug business here since before the war. From 1874 to 1879 he was president of the Chester and Lenoir railroad and was mayor of Chester for two terms just after the close of the war.

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**Timely Topics.**  
The gold Democrats of Ohio will put a State ticket in the field.  
Hon. R. Taylor Scott, Attorney General of Virginia, died of typhoid fever at his home in Warrenton Friday.  
At Bombay, India, during the past week 220 of the 1071 deaths recorded were caused by cholera and 18 by the bubonic plague.  
The Actuary of the Treasury Department estimates the population of the United States on August 1, at 73,680,000, and he places the circulation per capita at \$22.53.  
Senator J. B. Foraker, of Ohio, has been retained to bring suit for property in the heart of Baltimore said to be worth at least \$5,000,000. The claimants are the Penn heirs, of Scioto county, Ohio.  
The Prime Minister of Spain, Senor Canovas del Castillo, was shot and killed by an anarchist whose name is believed to be Michaelo Angiolo Gelli, at the baths of Santa Agueda, Sunday afternoon, Aug. 8.

Complaints from storekeepers and gangers are being filed with the Civil Service Commission alleging discrimination by new collectors, some of whom are giving assignments only to men known to be Republicans.  
The strike which has been on for the past few days at the Fulton Bag and Cotton Mills, at Atlanta, Ga., has been satisfactorily adjusted. The negro women, whose employment in the mill was the occasion of the strike, were discharged.  
A remonstrance has been issued by the professors at Brown University and sent to the members of the corporation. It protests against the action of the latter body with reference to President Andrews, and asks for a reconsideration of the whole matter.

The British cabinet has informed the American bimetallic commission that it will probably reply to the proposal of the commissioners on behalf of the United States in October. The American commissioners say they are not discouraged by the postponement.  
A dispatch from Berlin says the cloudbursts and inundations which have devastated the eastern parts of Germany were the worst which have occurred since 1870. According to the local statistics, 160 persons were killed in Silesia alone, and in Saxony the number of killed will not fall short of 180. The financial losses foot up over 150,000,000 marks.

Dr. E. Benjamin Andrews, who recently resigned as president of Brown University, has accepted the presidency of a new university to be founded by John Brisson Walker and to be known as the Cosmopolitan University. It is to be modeled after the Chautauqua School, and is to be conducted by correspondence.  
New York dispatch, 6th: Dorothy Dodworth, the pretty 13 year old daughter of Oliver Dodworth, a Harlem music publisher, is critically ill in Elmhurst, L. I., suffering from blood poisoning caused by a mosquito bite received a week ago. It is feared that it may be necessary to amputate her right leg, which has swollen to three times its normal size. She is delirious and suffers excruciating pains.  
Judge Simonton has filed his decision defining an original package, which is the disputed feature of the South Carolina dispensary law. The court holds that an original package is the form in which the liquor is delivered to the initial carrier at the point of shipment. If a box of liquor is imported, the whole box must be sold, and not a single bottle from the box. The decision will require all dealers to import liquor in single packages.

Representative Bailey, of Texas, who isn't yet thirty-four year's old, is so well thickly with ambition that he is in the field as a candidate for Speaker of the House and for U. S. Senate simultaneously, probably the first man who ever tried to use two such strings to his bow. As a starter Mr. Bailey is a candidate for reelection to the House. That is conceded to be easy. Then if a majority of the next House should be Democratic he will be a candidate for Speaker; if not, he will be a candidate to succeed Senator Mills, whose term expires in 1899.

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**Origin of the Civil Service Law.**  
Baltimore Sun.  
A correspondent is informed that the civil service law owes its existence to the exertions of the late Senator Pendleton, Democrat, of Ohio. It was he that secured the enactment of the law during the revolution of feeling against the spoils system that followed the assassination of President Garfield, of Ohio. Guiteau, the assassin, became excited over the Conkling Platt contest with President Garfield about the distribution of the offices in New York, and it was felt at Washington, after the assassination, that something should be done to abate the scandal of office mongering after each presidential election. Senator Pendleton conducted the civil service bill through the Senate and secured its success. President Arthur first applied it, extending it to about 15,000 Federal offices. Its application was enlarged by Presidents Cleveland and Harrison—chiefly the former—till now, with President McKinley's recent extension, it includes nearly the whole civil service to which it can be conveniently applied.

**CORRECTING A MISTAKE.**—A Chicago bridge tender, who had swung open his portullis to allow a schooner to pass up the river, was warmly and violently assailed by the captain of the craft for some slight inattention to duty a few days previous.  
"If I had you down here on the deck of this vessel I'd break your neck," said the skipper shaking his fist like a small ham.  
"Yer would, would ye, yer chuckle-headed salt horsey! If yer was want on the plankin' of the bridge I'd mop the fure with the ugly carcass an' hang yer up ter dry on the truss."  
"Shut up, you animated slush bucket. For two brow brass pins I'd send my cabin boy up to feed distillery hogs with your remains, you chop stooped son-o-a-gun."  
"Arrah ye bandy-legged horse marine, I've a big notion ter drop down off uv the bridge an' maul ye ter a pulp."  
"Well why don't you drop," sneered the captain. "Just drop and I'll feed fishes with you."  
"Yer a lyn' skip-jack."  
"You're a red-headed scavenger with blue mold and cock eye. I'm going to tie up just above here and I'll give you a lively old interview when I get ashore."  
"It is tie up yer goin' ter be after doin'?" inquired the bridge tender, anxiously.  
"That's just what I am goin' to say."  
"Correst me lud. When yer have tied up yer schooner, com ocp here an' we'll take in the larger beer saloon jist ferminst asts ind uv the bridge. Perhaps I've made a mistake."  
"All right, my hearty. Mebbe I, too was a little quick. I'll be sure, because when I drink I always aim to do it with gentlemen."

**The Fruit Season.**  
The season for Watermelons, Peaches, Grapes, State Vegetables, Cramp Colic, Stomachache, Dysentery, Diarrhoea, Flux, Cholera Morbus, &c., is now on a boom. Reports say that the yield of the last named was never better and that the demand for Dr. Hart's Great Relief and Lytle's Elixir was never greater. The instantaneous relief afforded by these old reliable family medicines makes them so justly popular. Our advice is to get a bottle of each at once.  
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Hon. John W. Daniel of Virginia and family are at Southport. His family will remain a month.  
The Supreme Court gives notice that September 27th, it will examine applicants for attorney's licenses. The class will be a very large one.  
William Austin, known as the giant blacksmith of Stanley county, is to attend the University of North Carolina this year and join the football team. He is 6 feet 9 inches high, weighs 240 pounds and is twenty-two years old. He walks with a bale of cotton weighing 500 pounds. He will be the biggest football player in the country.  
The 15th Annual Convention of the North Carolina Sunday School Association will be held in Winston on the 24th, 25th, and 26th, of this month. The Convention will be attended by Mr. P. H. Bristow, (a member of the International Executive Committee) Supt. of Calvary Baptist Sunday School, Washington, D. C., who will deliver an address Tuesday evening, Aug. 24th, on the "Advance Line of Sunday School Work" and will conduct a Sunday School Institute Session, Wednesday afternoon. Addresses will be also delivered by Dr. J. C. Kilgo, Pres. of Trinity College and Prof. J. Y. Joyner, of the State Normal College. Other prominent Sunday School leaders will discuss topics of much interest to those engaged in or in touch with, the cause of Bible instruction.

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