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DIABOLICAL CRUELTY.

When a committee is appointed to investigate the affairs of any public institution developments more or less sensational are expected by the public, and of late the people of North Carolina have had their suspicions along this line confirmed. Recently there were vague rumors afloat as to the cruel treatment of convicts on certain of the state farms. Rumors grew until grave charges were made against penitentiary officials, and a searching investigation was demanded by the public. The charges concerned Lewis Summerell, supervisor of the Northampton farm, and the penitentiary investigating committee appointed by the last legislature visited the farm last week and made a full and complete investigation of all the charges. The result of their labors brands this man Summerell at once as a brute of the most fiendish and contemptible sort; a beast in human form who would vent his devil-inspired passion against defenceless human creatures whom chance had placed in his power. The story revealed by the investigation is without an equal in North Carolina; it can only be compared to the doings of Weyler in Cuba.

According to the testimony of creditable witnesses (Summerell's subordinates) one convict was flogged to death in the field, the lash was applied to another until the blood poured from his body, and others were so cruelly beaten that they were disabled for days. If the testimony is to be believed these unfortunate convicts were not guilty of insubordination or any other great breach of discipline, the punishment being for mild offences committed while the supervisor was in a rage. Summerell is a fusionist and his conduct is another blot on the record of the fusion administration in this state, though the crimes would have lost none of their heinousness for having been committed under any other administration. The occasion demands that he not only be discharged from his position, but he should be brought to the bar of justice and tried for murder. It is to be hoped that the courts will take the matter up and that he will be made to suffer the full penalty of the law.

THE Dreyfus trial continues an absorbing topic of public interest. The ways of French justice are past understanding and it is impossible to tell what the outcome will be, though it is doubtful if the prisoner is acquitted. Right and justice do not govern a trial of this sort in France. What is falsely termed the honor of the army must be maintained, and to do this the innocent must often suffer.

TOM REED is going out of politics to make money. In this respect he is reversing the method pursued by other distinguished members of the Republican party.

It is true that the administration paid \$2 a head for the Filipinos, and it is equally true that the goods have not been delivered.

Admiral Schley has accepted an invitation to attend the Alabama state fair, which will open on November 7th.

RACE WAR IN GEORGIA.

First Regiment Hurred to Darien to Protect White Citizens from Furious Vengeance of the Angry Blacks.

Darien, Ga., August 27.—After a day of intense excitement and momentarily expected conflict between the militia and armed negroes of this section, Sheriff Blount's posse to-night surrounded the Deleagall house, twelve miles from here, and forced the surrender of the band who had assembled there to defend themselves.

The Deleagalls were surrounded in their house by troops and armed citizens for several hours before the surrender of the murderers, and several posses have hastened from here today to the scene of excitement.

The situation here is extremely critical, and it is believed that more bloodshed will ensue before the trouble is ended. It is believed that a thousand negroes are under arms.

After a night of quiet the city was thrown into excitement at noon today by the arrival of a courier with the news that the 150 negroes who were believed last night to be in the Deleagall swamp had advanced and were in Deleagall's cabin, six miles from the swamp and fully armed.

Colonel Lawton, whose headquarters are in the hotel here, at once telegraphed to Savannah to send the First Regiment to Darien, with five days' rations and 10,000 rounds of ammunition.

The whites of the entire country are aroused, and have been arriving in Darien all morning, armed and ready to fight. The fact that the negroes outnumber the whites five to one causes the greatest excitement.

At 1 o'clock this afternoon the report reached here from Liberty county that the negroes there, hearing of the departure of the militia for Darien, had gathered to march into Darien tonight.

The white women and children have been sent away, and all citizens are prepared to do battle with the negroes. All the negroes left Darien during last night and this morning, and are massed a few miles out. Runners were sent in every direction, calling on all the country settlement negroes to join the rioters.

All of the sawmills and other establishments where negroes are employed have closed down because the hands have joined the outlaws, and the negroes have posted pickets all around their improvised fort, and they seem well organized.

The race war grew out of the killing of Joseph Thompson and the fatal wounding of Octavius Hopkins, two deputy sheriffs, after the arrest of Henry Deleagall, charged with an assault on Miss Minnie Wallace.

ALL QUIET AT DARIEN.

The Leading Rioters Arrested. They Will Be Tried at Once. Troops Still on Hand.

Darien, Ga., August 28.—Several more of the negro ring-leaders of the riot were arrested to-day without difficulty. There are now twelve in jail here and twenty-five in jail at Savannah. These will all be arraigned in the Superior court at a special session on Wednesday.

The town is perfectly quiet and presents no unusual appearance except for the blue uniformed soldiers on every street. Colonel Lawton is satisfied that the danger is over, though the troops will remain until after the trial of John Deleagal for the murder of Deputy Sheriff Townsend as a measure of precaution.

The negroes are coming to understand that the presence of the troops is not a menace, but a protection to them, and they are coming in and laying down their arms. The probabilities are that during Wednesday and Thursday the troops will be gradually withdrawn.

A SEA OF BURNING OIL.

Standard Oil Company Has a Big Oil Fire With Heavy Loss.

Chicago, Aug. 28.—One of the most destructive fires that has ever occurred at the Standard Oil refineries broke out at Whiting last night. It was caused by a leak at the bottom of one of the stills. A few minutes after the fire broke out there was a terrific explosion, and the flames spread rapidly to the two immense tanks containing 2,200 barrels of partially refined oil. At the present time it looks as if the eight remaining will be consumed. The loss so far is estimated at \$100,000. Three persons were seriously injured.

Trust of all the Cotton Mills.

FALL RIVER, Mass., Aug. 28.—Nelson H. Greene is here representing a syndicate of New Yorkers, who seek control of all the cotton mills of the country, on a capitalization of \$150,000,000. Bankers who were in session here this morning with Mr. Greene, were told that local banking interests would not suffer by a trust such as proposed, for local management and local banking would be part of the plan.

Within Sight of War.

London, August 29.—The afternoon papers commenting on the latest utterance of Krueger say it was done to unanimously draw attention to the increased seriousness of the Transvaal crisis, but at the same time expresses uncertainty of the nature of concessions beyond which Krueger could not go. The Westminster Gazette admits that the country is within sight of war.

GENERAL NEWS.

Scarlet fever is said to be epidemic in Knoxville, Tenn.

Wet weather has ruined 25 per cent. of the Oregon wheat crop.

It is said the stock in the soft coal trust, now being organized in the Pittsburg district, has been over-subscribed. The capital is \$64,000,000.

Col. William J. Bryan contributed \$1,250 towards a fund of \$38,000 raised to employ a special train to bring home the First Nebraska Regiment.

Two negro preachers of Boston are about to invade the Southern states and speak against lynching to whites and blacks alike, so says a Boston special to the Atlanta Constitution.

The hot winds which have prevailed for the past month have destroyed all chance of a large cotton crop in Texas. It is estimated that the cotton crop of the state will be cut down to 2,000,000 bales.

By the terms of a recent treaty signed by a representative of this government and the Sultan of Sulu, who rules over a number of islands in the southern half of the Philippine archipelago, that interesting potentate and his several hundred wives, as well as his subjects, become subjects of the United States.

The silver Democrats of Maryland express much dissatisfaction over the make-up of the Democratic state ticket, nominated at the recent Baltimore convention, alleging that every candidate upon it is a gold Democrat, that the silver men have no representation, and that one of the candidates put in nomination stumped the state for the Palmer and Buckner ticket in 1896.

Nearly all the railroads of Tennessee have filed exceptions to the assessments made by the railroad commissioners for 1899 and 1900 on the ground that distributable property has been assessed at more than its actual cash value, and that the assessment of railroads has not been equalized with the assessment of other property in the state. The commission has decided that the exceptions should be overruled.

Muir's Chapel Camp Meeting.

The camp meeting at Muir's Chapel, which commenced Saturday night, August 19th, and closed Friday night, August 25th, was a great success. The attendance was very good and the interest increased throughout the meeting. On the last night of the meeting fifteen persons professed Christ. About forty made a profession during the meeting, and the church was edified and revived. Those who attended most seemed to enjoy the services most. Drs. Crawford, Groome and Wood, and Revs. Bryan, Kennet, Kirkman, Plint and Perry preached the word with power, and the faithful workers rendered valuable service in song, prayer and personal exhortation.

This is the fourth meeting held on the Jamestown circuit this year, at all of which the church has been revived and sinners converted. About seventy-five have professed faith in Christ, for all of which we thank God and take courage. To God be all the glory.

Yours truly,
T. H. PEGRAM,
Pastor.

Stokes county can boast of three brothers (Southern by name) whose combined age is two hundred and fifty-six years. Their respective ages are eighty, eighty-seven and eighty-nine. These three brothers live in two miles of each other and are hale and hearty, and delight in relating reminiscences of "ye olden times." What other county of our state can make this showing?

What Uncle Tom Said.

"I didn't know you were a baseball player, father."
"Neither am I, son. What put that wild idea into your head?"
"Why, I heard Uncle Tom say the other day that when you were on a bat you could punish more high balls than any other man he knew."

To Philadelphia in Regal Style.

Are you going to attend the G. A. R. encampment in Philadelphia? If so get your money's worth by traveling in elegance and comfort on one of the Southern Railway's three through trains. On September 1st, 2nd and 3rd the Southern Railway will sell round-trip tickets on account of this occasion on basis of one fare for the round trip. These tickets will be good returning on any train until September 13th, but by depositing them with the joint agent at Philadelphia, between September 5th and 9th, an extension until September 30th can be had upon payment of a fee of fifty cents. For further information, Pullman reservations, etc., call on any agent Southern Railway, or write R. L. Vernon, T. P. A., Charlotte, N. C.

KIDNAPPED THE GROOM.

How a Marriage Was Prevented in Durham—The Kidnappers in Dock.

Raleigh, N. C., Aug. 29.—A special to the News and Observer from Durham says:

Rufus Scroggins and James Parker, two young men of East Durham, are to be tried to-morrow morning at 9:30 o'clock on a warrant charging them with conspiracy. The young men are supposed to be the ones who kidnapped Dallas Scroggins, while he was on his way from one room of the house to another to be married to Mattie Creel. The warrant reads as follows:

Rufus Scroggins, James Parker, conspiracy. Did unlawfully, willfully and feloniously stop a marriage ceremony by violently snatching the groom, Dallas Scroggins, from the side of the would-be bride, Mattie Creel, and forcibly carrying him away. This being done as the couple was marching on to be united in wedlock."

Gen. Wheeler Goes on Duty at Once.

Manila, Aug. 29.—Gen. Wheeler has been ordered to report to MacArthur. He will be given command of Funston's Brigade which will proceed to San Fernando to-morrow. He has expressed himself as much pleased with the situation and says Otis will make rapid progress when he gets more troops. The country is more favorable to military operation than he supposed.

GREENSBORO MARKET REPORT.

CORRECTED WEEKLY BY JOHN J. PHOENIX.

Wholesale Receivers and Shippers of Country Produce.

BUYING PRICES.

Beeswax	22 1/2
Chickens—old per lb.	6
Large spring chickens lb.	5 to 7
Small spring chickens lb.	5 to 7
Eggs	10
Feathers	12
Hides—dry	12
Green	7 1/2
Oats	5@25
Sheep Skins	3
Tallow	3
Wheat	3
Wool—washed	3
Unwashed	3
Dried Fruits	3
Apples lb.	2 1/2
Berries lb.	2 1/2
Peaches, pared, lb.	3
Corn, new	40 to 50
Flaxseed	40 to 50
Potatoes—Irish, new	40 to 50
Sweet	40 to 50
Rags—Cotton	1 1/2
Bones lb.	1 1/2

Matches.

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creates a panic in the mercantile arena. We cannot understand how we can always get in the rear of their prices, but this is easily explained. For we have a leader that knows every hog path that leads to the different manufacturing plants of this country, and keeps posted. In this way you see we only buy from first hands, thereby saving the middle man's profit. Our buyer spends weeks in the market. Take the army of stores, Charlotte, Greensboro, Monroe and Union, S. C., and you will at once see that it requires tons upon tons of goods to supply them. Buying so largely we take the entire output of a number of factories. In this way we get the inside prices. Our buyer will soon

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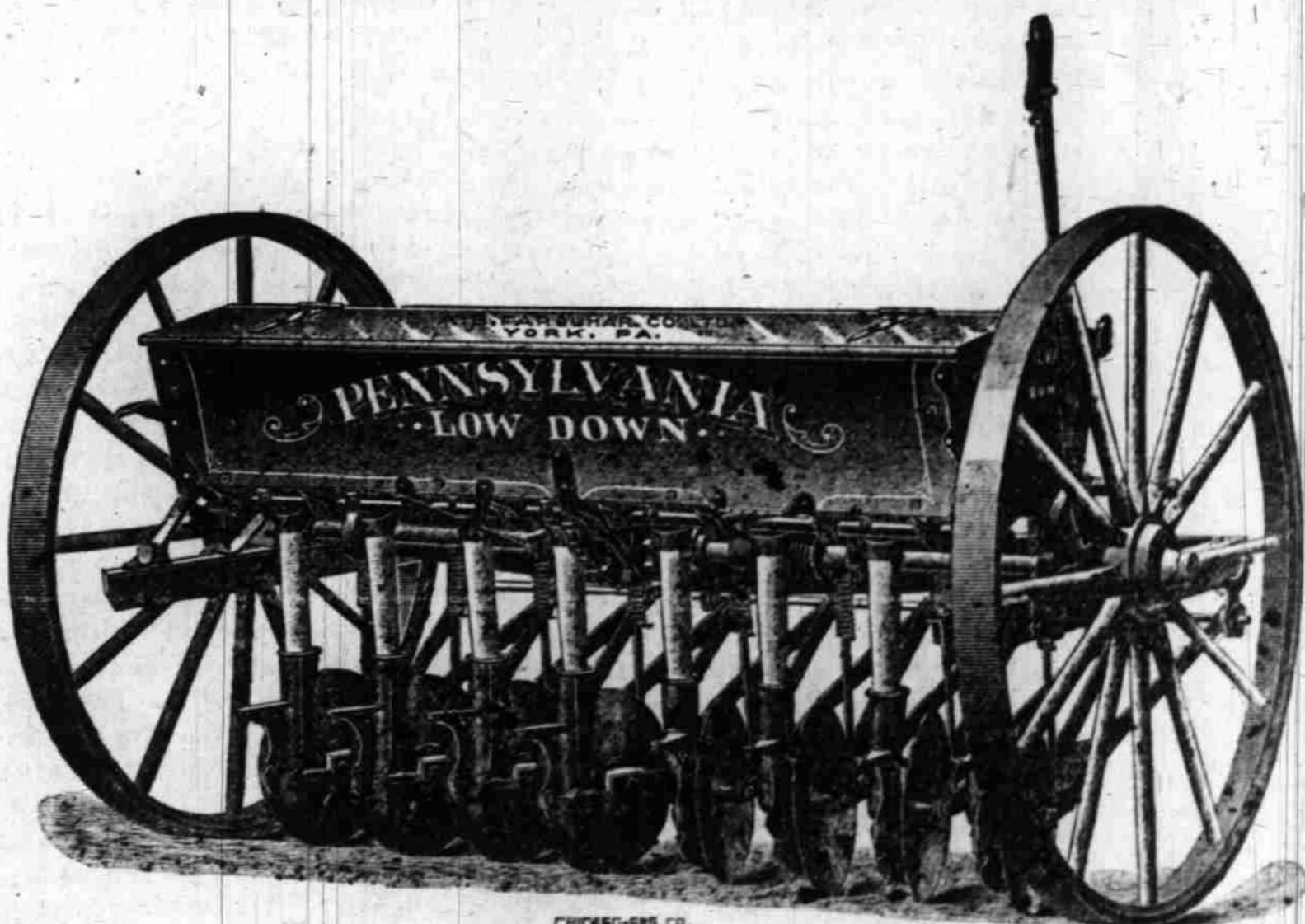
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