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MORE THAN A DOZEN HOUSES ARE DESTROYED BY FIRE.

Wilmington, N. C., May 8.—As the forms for the paper are closed this morning at 4:30 o'clock, a fire is raging in the southern section of the city which at this time has burned at least a dozen frame dwellings and a colored Methodist church and it seems probable that the whole block will be burned before the flames are under control.

The block in which the fire is raging is that between Dawson and Wright and Front and Second streets and on the four squares there are at least 25 frame houses. The fire was first discovered in a frame house occupied by David Jacobs, colored, on Second street between Dawson and Wright, and it spread both ways, toward Dawson street soon igniting the Mt. Olive Methodist church and parsonage, both of which were soon in complete ruins, and toward Wright street setting on fire four other frame houses which were soon reduced to ashes.

In the center of the block there is a deep fill and several small houses in these were soon on fire. A few houses on Wright street, between Front and Second, appear at this hour to be out of danger, as do also four or five cottages on Dawson near Front and one or two others on Front, but the fire has gained a foothold on the Dawson street side and it may take in the whole block.

The Weed Distilling Company, across Front street toward the river and several A. C. L. box cars were in great danger from the heavy fall of sparks, the wind having been blowing in that direction, but the employers at the plant placed streams at several places and have probably saved the property from destruction.

The fire started shortly before three o'clock, at the time the fire department was way over in Brooklyn, and it was 15 or 20 minutes before any apparatus could be gotten to the scene. Then the nearest fire plugs were several blocks away, one at 4th and Dawson and the other at the foot of Dawson street and more valuable time was lost before water connection could be made.

Some of the burned houses were occupied by white families, but the most of the were inhabited by negroes. It is believed that very little insurance was carried. A large part of the furniture in the different houses of the furniture in the different houses was saved and the organ and other furniture in the church was gotten out.

It is not possible now to give the names of the owners or occupants of the burned houses.

The fire over the railroad was on James street, between Taylor and Howard streets, and three frame houses were destroyed there.

NORFOLK MAN KILLS HIMSELF.

Fred Werthelmer, of Hotel Fairfax, Commits Suicide in New York. New York, May 5.—Frederick W. Werthelmer, thirty-four years old, and a married man, said to be manager of the Hotel Fairfax, Norfolk, Va., committed suicide by shooting himself in his apartments in the Hotel York today.

Werthelmer registered at the hotel yesterday afternoon. Nothing was seen of him until late tonight, when the door of his room was broken in. He was found in bed, the right side of his head literally blown off. No motive could be fixed for the suicide.

Werthelmer left the following note: "To my mother and my wife: 'I am very sorry to do this. The illness that I had long ago has preyed upon my mind, and I am afraid that it will make me insane. Yours, Fred Werthelmer.'"

Norfolk, Va., May 5.—Frederick W. Werthelmer, whose suicide is reported at Hotel York, New York, was manager of Hotel Fairfax of this city, and also vice president of the Hotel Fairfax Corporation, owner of the hotel.

The Fairfax, a modern hotel, prominently located on City Hall avenue, was opened for the first time on April 23d. It is doing a good business. He was formerly connected with the Monticello. The only motive that can be assigned here for the suicide is bad health, he having had a severe attack of grip for several weeks, coupled with the responsibilities of the hotel. He was well-fixed financially and his death by his own hand was a complete surprise to every one here.

PEARCEVILLE NEWS.

Pearceville, N. C., May 8.—Rev. D. L. Earnhardt filled his regular appointment at McBride's Sunday. He preached a very able sermon which was enjoyed very much by all present.

There are quite a number of people of this section who expect to attend the association which meets at Corinth church, Pasquotank county.

The teachers of McBride's public school are very busy preparing for their commencement which they expect to have next Friday night week.

Miss Lena Taylor spent Sunday very pleasantly with Miss Lucy Old.

The farmers of this section are very busy preparing and planting their cotton.

We are very glad to hear of Mr. J. S. McCoy, who has been sick for quite a time, is much better at this writing.

Mr. Thomas Charlton, Jr., of Moryock, N. C., was a visitor here Saturday. Pearceville seems to have at least one charm for Mr. Charlton as this is three visits in three weeks.

Messrs. Raleigh Old and Jessie Trotman spent Sunday very pleasantly near Berea.

The continued rainy weather is very disheartening to the farmers in this section and is putting them far behind in their spring work.

We are glad to see Mr. John W. Pearce out again after an illness of about two weeks.

On the state railways in Germany the coaches are painted according to the colors of the tickets of their respective classes. First class coaches are painted yellow, second class green and third class white.

Little Maryland Fannie Banks, who have been quite sick are able to be out again.

HATTERAS NEWS.

Hatteras, N. C., May 9.—Capt. E. D. Burrus, of the schooner Freddie Hamilton, arrived Sunday, and will spend several days with his family here before returning of his regular trips.

Mr. George M. Gaskins, who has been living at Portsmouth for the past two years, has moved his family back to his old home at Hatteras, where they will reside in the future.

Mr. and Mrs. John Willis, who have been visiting relatives at Portsmouth, for the past two months, returned home this week.

Mr. J. M. Burrus, of the Oliver's Point light station, is tearing down his old house this week, and will begin the erection of a new residence on the site of the old building at once.

Mr. Edward Etheridge, of Roanoke Island, who is stationed at the Bluff Shoal light station, passed through this week on his way home.

Mr. Burton Smith, of Buxton, came down Sunday and spent the day with his father-in-law, Mr. Farrow Austin, who has been quite ill for some time.

Mr. W. H. Gaskins, of the weather bureau service, left this week for Norfolk and Virginia beach, where he will superintend the repairs of the government telegraph line.

Mr. Allen Stowe left for Norfolk this week, where he will enter the Southern Shorthand and Business College for a ten-month's course.

Dr. J. J. Davis, of Buxton, was down yesterday, attending Mrs. Charley Foster, who has been very ill.

Mr. Fabe Simpson, of the Cape Hatteras light station, came down Monday and spent the day and night with friends and relatives here.

Mr. Frank Roper left for Washington this week to purchase his spring stock of goods.

The past few days have been very mild and pleasant here, in pleasing contrast to the cold and disagreeable weather of the past month or more.

The month of April was the coldest except one, that has been known at Hatteras in 33 years. The mean temperature for the month was 53, which was the lowest mean in 33 years, except 1901, when the mean was 52. Snow fell on the 1st, 2nd and 14th.

Mr. Johnny Quitley, of the Diamond Shoals light ship, left this week to join his ship at Baltimore.

Mr. A. Burrus, who has been conducting a fishery at Wanchese, Roanoke Island, for the past two months, returned home this week. Mr. Burrus reports only a fair catch for the season.

Because of an old cancerous sore, William Hobart Hare, the venerable Episcopal bishop of South Dakota, has suffered the removal of his right eye in St. Luke's hospital, New York city.

It is recalled that James Bryce is one of the very few men who have set foot upon the top of Mount Ararat. This was nearly thirty years ago. The mountain is over 8,000 feet in height. —Chicago Evening Post.

Cartridges are taken as change all over Abyssinia at a rate usually of ten to the dollar. The cap must be undamaged, the case in no way misshapen and the paper round the bullet must be in a state of perfect preservation.

EXPOSITION CAN GET ALL MONEY NEEDED.

Jamestown Exposition Grounds, May 6.—Information emanating from banking circles here tonight is to the effect that it is no longer a question of the ability of the Jamestown Exposition to raise \$400,000, or any other amount; it may desire, to complete the exposition; and, indeed, it is denied that the exposition has ever found itself confronted with that question; but the present question is from which of several sources will it receive the money. It is reliably stated that the exposition can get the money from local banks should it "pay for it," and the other is the name of Thomas Fortune Ryan, of New York and Virginia, being conjured with in connection with the loan.

Mr. Ryan is believed to have made a purchase of exposition bonds would be entirely agreeable to him. He is said to be ready to hand over his check at any time in exchange for the bonds. The rather foolish remark is made that Mr. Ryan hopes to ride into the United States senate from Virginia on the strength of the loan. There are other prominent gentlemen also individually or collectively, names not mentioned, who are said to be willing and even anxious to come to the "rescue" of the exposition.

Sen. Overman not A Candidate

The article in the Baltimore Sun advocating the idea that President Roosevelt favor Senator Overman for the minority leadership of the senate, also the recent editorial upon the same subject by Col. Creecy of the Economist has been read with great interest.

At the same time it appears singular that the president should be so interested in the leadership of the Democratic side of the senate, and if interested, why he should lean to Senator Overman, who in the strongest speech made in the senate, and for which he has been most highly commended by the Democrats of the state, he took issue with the president, and denounced his policy in the most active manner, and also by this votes has shown his antagonism to many of his pet schemes.

North Carolinians may well be proud of Senator Overman's record, and his great popularity in Washington. He is genial, kind and sympathetic to all men, and in his relations with his fellow senators he occupies the same position held by the beloved Ransom. He has friends on both sides, and wields a great personal influence, while he is recognized as a well equipped statesman. His value as a leader at this peculiar stage in the politics of our country will put him in the front ranks for the position of Democratic senator in the senate. The Washington correspondent of the News and Observer says Senator Overman is not, nor has been a candidate for the minority leadership. He further adds, Senator Overman is undoubtedly one of the most popular men of the senate. He has exhibited diplomacy of a high order and his tactfulness has brought him to the front. He demonstrated ability as a constructive statesman when he formed the five days court review amendment, which was one of the two suggested by Democrats that was finally incorporated in the rate bill.

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CLEVELAND TO BE URGED TO RUN. Movement Said to Be on Foot to Have Him Nominated by Democrats. Washington, May 5.—From reliable Democratic sources it is learned that efforts are being made to induce Grover Cleveland to become a candidate for the Democratic nomination for the presidency in 1908. Some of the most powerful financial interests in New York city are back of this movement. In it are included almost as many Republicans as Democrats. The idea is to put Cleveland forward in the hope of eliminating Bryanism and Hearstism and to secure the support of the conservative of both parties.

Misses Bertha and Katie Sawyer, of Rockyville, are in the city visiting friends.

NORTH CAROLINA Camden County. To G. B. Godfrey, entry taker for Camden county:

The undersigned E. Y. Burgess, of Camden county, North Carolina, enters and lays claim to the following described piece or parcel of land in Shiloh township, Camden county, state North Carolina the same being vacant and unappropriated land, and subject to entry, viz:

Beginning at the Great Creek foot way on Great Creek, running down said footway to the James Bray patent, binding said patent on the west to north river, binding said river on the north and east to Great Creek bind the said Great Creek to the first station, with the exclusion of entry No. 164 in the office of entry taker of Camden county, containing by estimation 400 acres more or less.

(Signed) E. Y. BURGESS.
Entered this 9th day of May, 1907.
G. B. GODFREY,
Entry Taker.

CHICKEN'S SCRATCH CAUSES WOMAN'S DEATH.

Norfolk, Va., May 6.—Mrs. A. H. Harris died at 3 o'clock this morning at the home of her son-in-law, C. L. Burford, at Lambert's Point, as the result of blood-poisoning, which set in from the effects of a scratch made recently on one of her fingers by a chicken. She was seventy-five years of age and the widow of J. W. Harris. She had resided here for three years. The body will be taken to her home in Gloucester county, Va., tomorrow morning for funeral and interment.

HAS VERTIGO WHILE PAINTING SKY-LIGHT

Norfolk, Va., May 6.—William De Graw, a painter, fell to his death while painting the skylight of the Consumers' Brewing Company in Huntersville today. His skull was fractured, and he died at a hospital late this afternoon. Some of those present when he fell say that vertigo was the cause of his fall, while others say that a plank on which he was standing broke.

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The Christian Scientist of Newbern, N. C., have given a contract for the erection of a new church in Newbern. The church, when completed will be a beautiful edifice.

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