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SALISBURY, N. C., JAN. 11, 1904

The crooks keep straight when the straights keep the crooks.

An exchange speaks of a "Long Wireless Connection," which we suppose has reference to a poor third cousin.

Judging by the signs on Council Street, Salisbury has more "First Class Restaurants" than any city of its size in the South.

Wheat has dropped 1 ½c per bushel owing to reports of a large crop on hand. A case of the western farmer having grain to burn and will burn to gain.

We suppose New York's public schools are up to the average and believe all good people will rejoice when it is learned corporal punishment has been banished by them.

The Raleigh Times suggests that a pile of cotton, covered with plank for protection, would make a handsome ornament for the front yard. It would indeed, and it would show its owner was with the boys in the fight for better prices. Of course, this holding business can be overdone as you know one needs to look out for his interests regardless of making a show.

CURRENT COMMENT.

Another good way to solve the "race problem" down South might be to let the South do the solving. -Chicago Tribune.

The man who has the most advice to give about the negro problem is usually the one who is so far from the negro that he wouldn't know the problem if he were to meet it in the big road.—State.

Today the Legislature meets and we hope its work will redound to the general welfare. To say this is a good deal like the speaker who began to give his audience good advice and ended, as the conclusion of the whole matter by saying, "Everybody do right." Let it be hoped that all the legislators will do right-if they do do harm, but only good, can come to the State. - Charlotte Observer.

General Booth, of the Salvation Army, has been holding a series of meetings in Germany, which have had a total attendance of 20,000 persons. At the last one, in Frankfurt, the largest and most fashionable building was crowded with leading citizens, Jews and Christians. millionaires, professors, students, employers and workingmen sitting side by side. Women in tasteful gowns and gentlemen in evening dress filled the boxes.-News and Courier.

A Washington soothsayer pre- eigh Times. dicts the consolidation of the Republican and Demcratic parties | Raleigh Gets \$20,000 From Dispensary. this year. He evidently assumes from Roosevelt's big plurality a long step already has been taken in that direction .- Baltimore Sun.

says more Lake submarine boats are reported to be ready for ship- a recommendation that there be ment to Russia. Some lake will an increase of the salaries of the be a good place for them to stay manager and clerks of the disand do their diving, too.

The Baltimore Sun says a Monumental City girl disappeared from home a few weeks ago and was given up for drowned till she duction by Alderman Separk of came home and said she had drifted off and gotten married. It is not stated there was any relief when the tied came in and it was discovered that the girl was still afloat .- Wilmington Star.

NO STEP BACKWARD.

Some Sensible and Timely Remarks on the Emmigration Evil.

We shall not believe this Legislature will pass a bill creating any office for an emigrant agent. God knows we do not need anything of the sort.

We have a plenty of ignorance and vice in our State now to consume all the money, all the teaching ability, all the preaching and praying which the State has at its command. More of the vile, sorry adventurers will force themselves on us than we want without any tolling or baiting on our part. What do we want with them? What account have those who have already come under the auspices of an agent ever been to the State?

Talk about the objections to the negro—he is ten times better than the average foreign emigrant. The average foreigner comes here with his own God, his own social and religious ideas, which, for the most part, are the rankest forms of socialism and anarchy. He never thought of remembering the Sabbath day to keep it holy. On the other hand, he just as soon dig coal, melt iron, or work in a blacksmith shop on this day as any other.

Our love of county, our churches and school houses are not in all his thoughts.

tory and sacred traditions are no more than broken idols to them. They are little more than the skum of the earth, many of them fleeing to escape the punishment for crime, while others are leaving a pauperized land which is badly and wickedly governed, and hence have no idea of what makes good citizenship.

This State tried this business once, and it was such a huge, such a dismal failure, that it actually abolished the office in order to get clear of it. This was the only real sensible move connected with the whole transaction. The fact that the matter is now being agitated is a symptom that somebody is pressing toward the pie counter. We do not believe this Legislature will touch it with a "forty foot pole." America for Americans was the slogan of our fathers, and the preservation of this doctrine has saved the South from much of the wretched experiences which have cursed other sections of the Union. Our own population is rapidly increasing. Our children and grandchildren will soon possess the land, and there is not more than they will require. If a man shall come from another country and as an individual, or as a family, seeks a home, let him be judged and dealt with on his merits. This is a different and far better way than to dump them in agent fashion by the solid car load. If a neighborhood of farmers want help of this sort, let them look out for them and select such people as they are willing to bring in contact with their own children. to select neighbors, but this cannot be done through an emigrant

agent. lature is two sensible to dig up this carcas a second time.-Ral-

The board of aldermen in session last night received from the management of the dispensary a check for \$20,000, representing The Norfolk Virginian Pilot the firofits for the quarter ending 31st. Along with the check came pensary.

Another feature of the meeting bearing somewhat on the affairs of the dispensary was the introan amendment to the city ordinances so that druggists or others who fill prescriptions for intoxicating liquors shall pay a city license tax of \$50.—Raleigh Post, People.

NEARLY 50,000 GAPTURED.

Japanese Preparations in Manchuria. Port Arthur Inventoried.

Huanshan, Manchuria, via Mukden, Jan. 5 -The Japanese reinforcements are now concentrating sround Bensihu, 30 miles northeast of Liao Yang. This fact taken in conjunction with the reports of the completion of the railroads in Corea and the bridge across the Yaiu river indicates that the Japanese have again transferred their attention to the right flank. 'In the meanwhile they are continuing the erecting of fortifications north and west. A light railroad was laid during the last few days south of the village of Houhenow.

The Japanese continue to bombard Poutiloff Hill and the villages west of it.

Tokio, Jan. 5 .-- A report today from Gen. Nogi's headquarters largely increases the figures of the surrendered garrison and intimates that the forces handed over to the Japanese at Port Arthur will be 32,000 exclusive of 15,000 or 16,-00 sick and wounded making a rough total of 48,000.

The report is as follows:

As previously reported the transfer of the objects mentioned in Article II of the capitulation compact took place on January 4th and the transfer of the forts and batteries had been completed.

"The prisoners will be assembled at the investigation relating Our homes, our flag, our his-these prisoners is so complicated that the result cannot be reported at present.

> Reports received up to date are as follows:

"Eight generals, four admirals, 57 colonels and majors, 100 captains and commanders, 531 army captains and lieutenants, 200 naval lieutenants and naval officials, 99 army officials, 109 surgeons, 20 chaplains; of the rank and file of the army, 22,484; of the ank and file of the navy, 4.500; army noncombatants, 3,645; naval noncombatants, 500-32,207.

"Besides these, there are about 15,000 or 16,000 sick and wounded in the hospitals. The volunteers are chiefly included in the list of non-combatants.

"One hundred saddle horses and 1,860 draught horses were surrendered."

STATE NEWS.

The 12-year-old daughter of John Criswell, who lives on the Hyatt farm, near Bridgewater, died last week from the effects of a mad dog bite 21 days before. She was bitten by her little lap. dog, which, it is reported, was bitten by the Hoffman dog, which went mad and was afterwards found dead in the Bridgewater section as told in these columns at the time. It is said that the little girl died in great agony .-Morganton News-Herald.

Concord, Jan. 6.-Fred Leonard, a young white man, was killed at the Miami Mine yesterday shortly after noon. Two passing buckets in a shaft became entangled at a shift about 250 feet This is the safe and rational way from the surface and Leonard went down to see and correct the trouble. The rest of the story is unknown. From this shift he was We believe and hope this Legis- thrown, or fell, to the bottom of the mine and there picked up dead his skull being crushed. The body was turned over to an undertaker and sent last night to Gold Hill, where the young man had a wife and two children. He was about 25 years of age.

Human Life is Cheap.

Mt. Vernon, Ohio, Jan. 6.-Probably the smallest sentence ever heard of for killing a man was imposed here this morning. John May. who shot and instantly killed Grant Jupiter, in this city, some time ago, was let go by

the jury on a \$15 fine and costs. May was bound over to court for manslaughter, but the grand jury only found an indictment against him for carrying concealed weapons.

A Home Paper for Home People by Home

KAISER WARNDD THE CZAR.

Expressed Doubts as to Outcome of a Hurried War With Japon.

Vielna, Jan. 6,-A curious illustration of the Czar's inacessibility to counsel was mentioned to me today in a quarter which cannot be suspected of Germanophilism. Some ten days before outbreak of the war in the far East the German Emperor, alarmed by the information received concerning the respective strength and degree of preparedness of the Russian and Japanese forces, telegraphed to the Czar in approximately the following terms:

"I beg of you to reflect before engaging in a war with Japan. From every precise information which I have received concerning the forces of which Japan can dispose, the state of her preparations, and also the forces of which you can dispose, and which you can maintain in Manchuria, have doubts about the result of the war.

"I beg of you, therefore, to think well before definitely refusing the Japanese conditions."

To this appeal the Czar is said to have replied that the Japanese conditions had not been refused, but that "in any case all necessarv measures already have been taken to assure the triumph of our arms."

I cannot guarantee the authenpossibly it may have been modified in the course of oral transmission from diplomatist to diplomatist, but the fact that an exchange of messages of this nature took place between Emperor William and the Czar before the war is certified to me on an authority so good there seems no reason to withhold it from publication.

The awful plight of the Port Arthur garrison, as impressively vet comprehensively told by Gen. Stoessel in his dispatches to the Russian emperor a day or two before his surrender, emphasizes the fact that there has been no amelioration of the horrors of war. Torn to shreds by eleven inch shells, dying by the hundred with scurvy, and lacking the ammunition necessary to enable even the few men able to bear arms to offer defence, the brave commander was forced to run up the white flag. It seems a pity that such bravery cannot always be rewarded with victory, and yet the beiseigers were necessarily as brave in sto ming the fortress as were the inmates in defending it .- Charlotte Observer.

Try THE WATHMAN, 1 year 50c. robbers has been obtained.

BRODIE L. DUKE INSANE.

He is Confined in a Sanitorium for Treatment. Divorce Asked.

New York, Jan. 9 .- The commitment of Brodie L. Duke, half brother of J. B. and B. N. Duke, tobacco capitalists, to a sanitorium for examination as to his sanity, and the sensational developments growing out of the case, were investigated today by District Attorney Jeroma.

The affidavit on which the commitment was issued was made public today by Justice Wyatt, who was the issuing justice. It bears the name of Victor J. Milch, of this city. In an affidavit Milch recites that on certain specified days of the present month he saw Mr. Duke in a hotel, and "he appeared to be in an abnormal condition and deponent verily believes that said Brodie L. Duke is disordered in his senses and unfit to be at large." Assistant District Attorney Lord said he understood that the management of o'clock: Hinson's livery stables, Park Avenue Hotel, where Mr. and Mrs. Duke had been stopping, had first made complaint, which resulted in Duke's removal to Bellevue Hospital.

Forty thousand dollars worth dwelling house. of securities found on Duke were still in the office of District Attorney today. Mr. Lord said:

Maurice A. Strum, told Assistant Attorney Lord today that ticity of the text above given; Mrs. Duke was suffering from nervous prostration, and could not | Music store and will come to Salcome to the District Attorney's isbury in a few days to make this office for two or three days. Lawyer John D. Lindsay announced cord. that Lawrence Duke, son of Brodie L. Duke, had instructed him to bring action for the annullment of Brodie L. Duke's marriage to the former Miss Webb.

> Mrs. Duke says his family offers her \$300.000 to annul the marriage. She was formerly tenderloin character.

Big Lot Whiskey Lost.

hoop on the Richland Distilling ing to arrest him for a trivial Company's 5,000 gallon capacity offense. tank broke and all of the contents with over \$3,000 worth of whiskey were lost, save the little the employes scooped up with buckets from the floor, which was covered a foot deep. One man narrowly escaped being drowned in the deluge of whiskey.

Statesville, Jan. 6.-The postoffice at Olin. Iredell county, was robbed on Wednesday night of \$49,35 in cash. Mrs. Della Stack, is postmistress, and keeps the office in her house. No clue to the

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STATE NEWS.

Wadesboro, Jan. 7.-Fire consumed the following buildings in Rockingham this morning at 2 with 32 horses; Daniel Gray's blacksmith shop; Hinson's & Porter's building filled with merchandise and groceries; Davis Grocery store; Mrs. William's

Miss Elizabeth Crocker, one of the State's most accomplished pianists, spent Wednesday in Salisbury and returned to Greensboro last night. Miss Crocker has accepted a position with the Frix city her home.-Greensboro Re-

Charlotte, N. C., Jan. 5 .- Will Springs, the murderer of Rural Officer S. E. Cole, was captured today at Fort Mill. S. C., while eating dinner on a farm where he had obtained employment. Springs was brought here tonight and jailed. He offered no resistance to the arresting officer and freely admitted his crime. Springs killed the officer Sunday after-Columbia, S. C., Jan. 6 -A noon while the latter was attempt-

Thousands Refuse to Enlist.

St. Petersburg, Jan. 6.-The mobilization for an army from the western provinces has been unsuccessful. Thousands evade the summons. Seven hundred out of a thousand, summoned at random, failed to appear and the same proportions prevail in other centres. Two thousand nine hundred out of three thousand Jews in one Polish district did not appear and even the remainder had to be driven to the place of mobilization by Cossacks.

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