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THURSDAY MORNING DEC. 10.

THE RUMOR ABOUT GORMAN.

Not Absolutely Confirmed by His Friends that He Will Not be a Candidate for the Democratic Nomination.

[*Richmond Times-Dispatch, Special.*]

WASHINGTON, Dec. 8.—The rumor in circulation in this city last night, to which attention was called in this correspondence, that Senator Gorman would in a short time issue a statement, in which he would declare that he is not and would not be a candidate for the Democratic nomination for the presidency, is not absolutely confirmed by the friends of the senator. Senator Gorman will not discuss his candidacy for publication.

A representative from one of the Southern States, who is very close to Senator Gorman, says to-day that the rumor is perhaps founded on the very recent declaration made by Senator Gorman to several of his friends that he did not propose to lift his hand in behalf of his candidacy. He said emphatically that he would not take the slightest action looking to the furtherance of his own interests; that he thought the nomination should not be sought, and that he stood ready to give the heartiest support to the nominee of his party. The representative to whom I have referred said he thought the rumor had its origin in this statement of Senator Gorman's.

Two distinguished members of the Senate from the minority, neither of them from Virginia, are authority for the statement that it is the purpose of Senator Gorman to issue a declaration to the effect that he is not a candidate. They are still of the opinion that he will take this action. There appears to be some truth in the report.

THE WENTZ MYSTERY.

Pinkerton Detectives at Work on the Case of the Missing Millionaire.

By Telegraph to the Morning Star

RICHMOND, VA., Dec. 9.—A May King, Ky., special says:

"Six extra Pinkerton detectives have arrived at Big Stone Gap to go to work on the millionaire Wentz mystery.

"It is now believed that if murdered at all, young Wentz's body was hidden under some dwelling near a backwoods settlement. This theory is based on the fact that the country was so carefully searched that his body would have been revealed almost certainly had it been disposed of in any other way. Hundreds of persons still disbelieve that young Wentz was murdered. On the contrary, they believe that he is somewhere alive and well and will some day be restored to his family.

VIRGINIA PILOTS.

Courts Affirm Constitutionality of Compulsory Pilotage Law.

By Telegraph to the Morning Star

NORFOLK, VA., Dec. 9.—The case instituted in this city with a view to end disputes as to the constitutionality of the compulsory pilotage laws, has thus far resulted victoriously for the Virginia Pilots' Association. In the Supreme Court of Appeals to-day at Richmond a writ of error was refused in the case of Darden vs. Thompson, from the Norfolk Court of Law and Chancery. This means that the Court of Appeals has decided that the pilotage laws are constitutional, and that the association members have a legal right to collect their charges from ship masters and ship owners.

It is understood that Lawyer Hughes, of counsel for Thompson, will fight the battle out in the United States Supreme Court.

ARRESTED IN MOBILE

Men Believed to be Safe-Blowers Wanted in Jacksonville and Savannah.

By Telegraph to the Morning Star.

MOBILE, ALA., Dec. 9.—The arrest of Albert W. Driswold alias Duncan, and J. E. Russell, alias Clark, whom the police believe to be two dangerous safe-blowers, was made to-day by local officials aided by two detectives from Jacksonville, Fla., where Driswold and Clark are wanted for blowing the safe of Cohen Bros. on the night of December 5th. They are also said to be wanted in Savannah, Ga., on a similar charge. More than $1,000 in money and a stick of dynamite, burglar's tools and a lady's jacket containing money were found on the men. They say they are residents of Brooklyn and are electricians. Driswold has tatoo marks on the left leg and Russell is crippled in the left hand.

NEGROES KILL EACH OTHER.

Desperate Hand-to-Hand Fight Between Two Men at Memphis.

By Telegraph to the Morning Star

MEMPHIS, TENN., Dec. 9.—Two negroes employed in a large wholesale grocery house killed each other to-day in a hand-to-hand fight. George Rawlins and Kirk Allen—one armed with a hatchet and the other with a knife—fought over a trivial matter and Rawlins was hacked in a dozen places with the hatchet of his opponent, one stroke cleaving his brain and causing instant death. Allen was cut frightfully and died a few hours later.

Senator Tillman has prepared a resolution directing the Judiciary Committee to inquire as to the status of nominations that failed in the last session and were renewed at the beginning of the present session of Congress. The inquiry is for the purpose of developing the present position of Gen. Wood in the army and Dr. Crum as collector of the port of Charleston, S. C.

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COLOMBIA MOVING TROOPS ON PANAMA

1,100 Men Landed Near Mouth of Atrato River to Open Way Over Mountains.

OTHER FORCES ARE MARCHING

United States Determined to Maintain Independence of Panama—Ready to Dispatch Troops to the Isthmus at Short Notice.

By Cable to the Morning Star

LAGUAIRA, VENEZUELA, Dec. 9.—The French steamer Versailles, which has arrived here from Savanilla, reports that the Colombian steamers have landed 1,100 men from Cartagena, near the mouth of the Atrato river (Gulf of Darien) to open a way over the Darien mountains into Panama. Other troops from the department of Cauca, Colombo, are said to be converging on Panama, and from all parts of Colombia troops are marching or awaiting on the result of General Reyes' mission to Washington.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 9.—Dr. Herran, the Colombian charge d'affaires, to-day made the authorized statement that the troops from Cartagena have landed near the mouth of the river directly in opposition to the advice of both himself and General Reyes and stated that the LaGuira news was the first information he had received of the reported movement of Colombian troops. He declared, however, that if it is true, as stated, that such movement had taken place, it was without any order from him. Upon coming to Washington as the special representative of the Colombian government, Gen. Reyes temporarily relinquished the command of the Colombian army, the duties falling upon General Castro, second in command. General Reyes confirmed the statement recently made by Admiral Coghlan in a report to the Navy Department, that prior to his departure for Washington he had given instructions to the Colombian troops to make no hostile demonstration until he was heard from, and said that these troops were now awaiting orders, which, however, would not come from him direct, but from the government at Bogota.

The general has been fully informed by the President himself as to the intentions of the government of the United States respecting the isthmus. He was told by the President that, as was set out in the President's message to Congress, the United States had determined to maintain the independence of the new republic of Panama against all comers. While this guarantee is contained in a treaty now pending before the United States Senate and is yet unratified, the administration has for some past been acting upon the theory that the understanding is in full force. Therefore, all necessary preparations have been made to exert whatever physical force may be necessary to protect the isthmian transit. No Colombian troops will be allowed to cross the frontier into Panama; or, if they cross, they will be ejected in due time.

The policy of the Navy Department with respect to the entry of Colombian troops into Panama was said to-day to be to prevent a conflict before it commenced. To this end the naval commanders in those waters have been given instructions to keep the Colombian troops at a great distance from the isthmus at points where a fight with the Panama troops is likely to occur. In all naval operations, it may be stated on authority, the department is still guided by the treaty of 1846, under which the United States guarantees to keep transit across the isthmus open. A broader interpretation of the duties and responsibilities of this government in this respect has now been given to this treaty, by which the protection of the United States will not alone be confined to the canal strip but to any part of the territory of Panama.

When seen to-day Lieutenant General Young, chief of staff, authorized the statement to be made that the War Department was ready to dispatch troops to the isthmus on short notice, should their presence be demanded.

Although the statement heretofore has been denied, it is learned that the department has taken notice of the repeated reports that Colombian troops were assembling at different points with the avowed purpose of making a hostile demonstration against Panama, and has perfected all military plans to repel such an invasion. General Young said that should he be called upon to assist the navy it would not be necessary to send to the isthmus more than a regiment or two. Although none of the members of the joint army and navy board, which met to-day, would admit that the isthmian situation was under discussion, it is known that such was the case and that both the army and navy are now in a state of preparedness for any conflict with Colombia which might arise.

COLON, Dec. 9.—The United States cruiser Atlanta is still patrolling the eastern end of the San Blas coast and keeping an outlook for any attempt of the present Colombian government to land troops on the isthmus, which the Atlanta would at once prevent. The Atlanta is also endeavoring to ascertain if the Indians know anything of the movements of troops from the interior across the frontier and is also seeking information concerning the alleged concentration of Colombian troops at the mouth of the Atrato river on the gulf of Darien.

The Atrato river being in Colombian territory, the Atlanta of course, could not interfere with any movements of Colombian troops there.

The movements of the Atlanta are entirely of a precautionary nature and for the purpose of securing information.

The United States gunboat Brancroft left to-day to patrol the western end of the San Blasco in co-operation with the Atlanta. It is expected that the latter vessel will return here in a day or two to report.

CALL ISSUED.

For a Meeting of the Democratic National Committee on January 12th.

By Telegraph to the Morning Star.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 9.—James K. Jones, chairman of the Democratic National committee, to-day issued a call for the committee to meet at the Shoreham hotel in this city, Tuesday, January 12, for the purpose of deciding upon the time and place of holding the Democratic National Convention.

Chairman Jones has appointed Edwin Sefton as assistant secretary of the committee.

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ANOTHER WAR CLOUD IN THE FAR EAST.

Russian Squadron at Chemulpo, Corea, to Oppose Opening of Port of Yongampho to the World's Commerce.

By Cable to the Morning Star

TOKIO, Dec. 9.—A strong Russian squadron, consisting of eight warships, including two battleships, has arrived at Chemulpo, Corea, the port of Seoul, the capital, to support Russia's opposition to the proposed opening of Yongampho to the commerce of the world. The Russians threaten to land 3,000 men and march on Seoul should Corea disregard their warning.

LONDON, Dec. 9.—The Tokio dispatch announcing the arrival of a Russian fleet off Chemulpo was communicated to the Foreign Office here by the Associated Press and was received with apprehension, though it was not confirmed by any foreign office in the Far East. It was said that if the information from Tokio is correct it would almost certainly nullify any negotiations, however pacific, now proceeding between Russia and Japan.

The Japanese legation had no confirmation of the Tokio report, and Baron Hayashi, the Japanese minister, said to the Associated Press that he was inclined to discredit it.

YOKOHAMA, Dec. 9.—Advices received here from Tokio to-day say Russia's reply to the Japanese proposals has not yet been received and it is not believed there that it will be finally decisive, but will probably necessitate further negotiations on the subject of minor details. It is believed that unless Japan's minimum demands are virtually conceded the cabinet at Tokio may decline any amendments. In any case a section of the Japanese Diet is expected to impeach the cabinet for its apparent lack of aggressiveness, but that result is doubtful, as the government can dissolve the house if the opposition threatens to embarrass its foreign policy.

Japan, generally, is calmly awaiting Russia's reply, ready to end the suspense one way or the other, but resolved not to yield anything from her present moderate stand.

LONDON, Dec. 10.—The correspondent of the *Times*, at Tokio, says that two Russian cruisers and two battleships having assembled at Chemulpo, M. Pavloff, the Russian minister to Corea, accompanied by the admiral commanding the fleet, had an audience with the Emperor, in the course of which it is believed, he renewed his protest against the opening of Yongampho to foreign commerce.

THE TURKISH VERSION.

Of the Incidents at Alexandretta Complained of by United States Consul Davis.

By Cable to the Morning Star.

CONSTANTINOPLE, Dec. 9.—The Turkish official report of the incident at Alexandretta complained of by the United States consul, W. R. Davis, has been telegraphed by the Governor of Beirut, Syria, as follows:

"Atta Rian, a native of Kharput, who has for some years been abroad, recently entered the country secretly and had been travelling in the interior with a Turkish passport.

"On his arrival lately at Alexandretta, Atta Rian claimed the protection of the American consul and asked for his assistance to enable him to embark for Egypt. Mr. Davis accordingly notified the authorities, but the latter insisted that the sanction of the governor must be obtained and that the usual formalities be carried out, such as photographing Atta Rian. Mr. Davis refused to tolerate the delay and tried to embark Atta Rian by force. The police arrested Atta Rian at the quay, whereupon Mr. Davis, aided by his military courier, struck the policemen who were wounded, in the faces, and afterwards attempted to force an entrance into the guard house, breaking windows and doors, but unavailingly. Thereupon Mr. Davis threatened that unless Atta Rian was released and allowed to embark within four hours he would himself leave. Not receiving satisfaction Mr. Davis embarked for Beirut on the same steamer Atta Rian tried to take."

ATTITUDE OF COLOMBIA.

Will Fight to the Last to Maintain its Sovereignty Over the Isthmus of Panama.

By Cable to the Morning Star.

BOGOTA, Dec. 7, via Colon, Dec. 9.—A prominent and well informed politician, who is close to the government, when questioned to-day by the Associated Press correspondent, declined to give any expression of opinion concerning the ratification of the canal treaty by the government of the republic of Panama.

The following expression of the attitude of the Colombian government, however, is authorized, the strict censorship preventing a fuller report:

"The statement issued by United States Secretary Hay, in explanation of the violent happenings on the isthmus of Panama, has produced a most unfortunate and disastrous impression in political and diplomatic circles here by reason of its contradictions and its lack of sincerity and logical arguments.

"The Bogota press has answered Secretary Hay's statement in the most convincing manner. The central government is acting and will continue to act with dignity and honor; but it has decided to combat the independence of the isthmus most determinedly and without cessation. Americans here continue to enjoy complete security, despite the indignation of the people."

A CONFESSED THIEF.

South Carolina Negro Who Robbed Harvard Students and Others.

By Telegraph to the Morning Star.

BOSTON, MASS., Dec. 9.—Clarence Lee, the negro who was arrested at Brockton yesterday, charged by the Federal officers with obtaining by forgery registered packages from the mails, and by the Cambridge police with larceny, to-day confessed to the larceny of goods valued at nearly $3,500 from Harvard students and from express companies. He said he pried open the students' closets with a jimmy. Lee claims that he is a son of former Congressman Lee, of South Carolina, and that he was sent to Harvard to complete his education. After attending three or four months he left because of the death of his father. He made a business of going to the college grounds each day to gather whatever he could, he says.

The charge made by the Federal authorities against Lee is that of representing another in the obtaining of registered letters from the Cambridge postoffice and thus obtaining forty-five tickets to the Yale-Harvard football game which were reported stolen.

MORGAN'S SPEECH IN THE SENATE.

Opposed Cuban Bill But Devoted Most of His Attention to the Panama Canal.

CRITICISED THE PRESIDENT.

Declared the United States Was Practically at War With Colombia—The President Had Fallen Into Trap. A Horrible Transaction.

By Telegraph to the Morning Star.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 9.—Senator Teller concluded his speech in opposition to the Cuban reciprocity bill to-day, and Senator Morgan was heard in opposition to that measure. The Alabama senator devoted the greater share of his attention to the Panama canal situation.

Mr. Teller took up the question of the activity of General Wood, while acting as Governor of Cuba, in behalf of Cuban reciprocity with the United States. He said there were official records to show that the Cuban government had paid to exceed $15,000 in that interest during General Wood's administration. He declared that the press of both the United States and Cuba had been utilized in support of the policy of reciprocity, and quoted figures showing the amounts paid for newspapers advocating this policy.

Mr. Morgan took occasion in the course of his remarks to refer frequently to the Panama canal treaty and in that connection he again freely criticised what he denominated "Presidential usurpation." He declared that the United States is becoming affected to the core with covetousness, and said the country seemed to quivering with doubt as to whether it should go over entirely or pursue the better course followed by our national fathers. So far as he was concerned he would not be so mean as to yield to a temptation to simply advance the commercial interests of his State. He spoke of the 20 per cent. reduction guaranteed by the bill to Cuban products, but warned the people that it might turn out to be a Spooner bill, which this government may evade or not as it sees. Indeed, he asserted, that the United States would do as it might please with the island of Cuba which he declared is little more than a dependency. "She is," he said, "Now fettered to the decks of our warships as firmly as Prof. Langley's airship was ever attached to his houseboats."

He spoke of the negotiation of the Panama canal treaty as a grotesque action and said that Panama had no more right to appoint a minister to the United States than that country had to consecrate a saint.

Mr. Morgan said that Cuba would do well to give careful heed to our purposes in the legislation under consideration. They should not follow the old adage not to look a gift horse in the mouth, for in this case "the gift horse is a broncho which greets them with a whinney and may send them away with a kick."

Returning to the Panama situation, Mr. Morgan said that the United States is practically at war with Colombia as the result of the fact that the President had fallen into a trap. He wanted, he said, to save the Senate from this same trap, and again referred to Buneau-Varilla, the Panama minister, and after reviewing briefly that gentleman's history as an engineer and contractor on the Panama canal, he said that he had "contracted wisely and well and had left the isthmus a rich man."

Mr. Morgan declared that he had no purpose of creating a sensation, but that his whole purpose was to warn the Senate against ratifying a treaty, the negotiation of which he characterized as "A most wretched, a most abominable and a most horrible transaction." Notwithstanding this was the case, the senator continued, "The Senate sleeps over this breach of the Monroe doctrine, while the President of France and the President of the United States stand over the recumbent figure and intone in unison their solemn and satisfied amen."

He expressed the opinion that the cost of the Panama canal in its early stages would be so great as to cause Congress to stop the appropriation before the enterprise had gone far and thus accomplish the purpose of the transcontinental railways in preventing the construction of any canal.

Discussing the President's message, he said the chief executive had failed to execute the Spooner law because it was distasteful to him and that he had not succeeded in formulating any satisfactory excuse for his course. He predicted that the time would come when Cuba would "clip the threads that restrain her and bind her to us, and again float off into the sea of liberty." In such an effort, he continued, Cuba might find a friend in Germany, which might follow our example and create a state of independence in a night and then annex it with the coming sunrise. No doubt there would be fighting, for who, he said, is more eager to fight than Emperor William III or our own "strenuous" President.

He then proceeded to say that only yesterday he had met a great Democrat who "had a place in our affairs only second in importance to the presidency and had made a name for himself in diplomacy (evidently meaning former Secretary of State Olney) who had bowed his head as he said: 'For the first time in my life I have to confess that I am ashamed of the attitude of my country.'"

Mr. Morgan, reverting again to Cuba, said: "Our relations with that island ought to remain as they are, so far as our economic policy is concerned, or she ought to be admitted as a State."

Mr. Morgan closed by reading an article from the *Financial News*, of London, of which he said: "If that is true, or if it is a presentation in advance of the consequences that are to follow, we have got to fight Great Britain on account of this treaty or else we have got to be disgraced."

The Senate adjourned until to-morrow.

House of Representatives.

Mr. Payne, chairman of the Committee on Ways and Means, reported when the House convened a resolution providing for the reference of the President's message to committees and the House went into committee of the whole with Mr. Burkett, of Nebraska, in the chair, for its consideration. The resolution passed unanimously.

The Speaker, by unanimous consent, placed Mr. Kline, Democrat, on the Committee on Manufactures as an additional member, and Mr. Rodey, delegate from New Mexico, on the Committee on Territories as an additional member.

Mr. Dearmond, amid applause on the minority side, asked if it would be in order to request that an additional member of the minority be added to each of the sixteen big committees!

The Speaker said that stream would be passed when reached.

Mr. Dearmond then said that in order to relieve the Speaker of embarrassment he would ask unanimous consent for the additional minority representation on those committees. Mr. Payne objected.

The House adjourned until to-morrow.

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VOLUNTARY MANSLAUGHTER.

Verdict in Case of Man on Trial for Killing His 17-Year-Old Son.

By Telegraph to the Morning Star.

COLUMBUS, GA., Dec. 9.—In the Superior Court here to-night, a jury returned a verdict of voluntary manslaughter against R. H. Burton, who was on trial for killing his seventeen year old son. The killing occurred in this city September 5th, 1903.

The father alleged that the son cursed him and threatened to kill him and that before he knew what he was doing he had drawn his knife and stabbed his boy to death. James Burton, another son, was a prosecuting witness in the case.

UPBUILDING THE NAVY.

Congress Urged Not to Relax Efforts for Increased Naval Construction.

By Telegraph to the Morning Star.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 9.—Chairman Foss, of the House Committee on Naval Affairs, had a conference with the President to-day regarding the attitude of Congress during the present session toward increased naval construction. The subject is being given careful consideration by the President and by Congress. The President has urged Congress not to relax its efforts in the upbuilding of the navy, and has said that provision should be made for a general staff of the navy similar to that provided for the army.

No conclusion yet has been reached regarding the appropriation to be made at the present session for the construction of war vessels. Opposition to great appropriations for naval construction has developed among some influential members of both the Senate and the House, but on the other hand, the sentiment in favor of continuing the authorization of fighting ships is very strong, Mr. Foss declined to indicate what, in his opinion, might be the result of the general discussion of the question.

WARM WIRELETS

The New York Stock Exchange will be closed on Saturday, December 26th, the day after Christmas, as well as on Christmas.

The town of Abbott, Texas, eight miles south of Hillsboro, was almost wiped out by fire. Fifteen buildings were destroyed, entailing a loss of $75,000.

L. C. Riggs, president of the Chattanooga Ice Company, was fatally injured yesterday afternoon in a collision between his automobile and a car of the Chattanooga Electric Line.

The dedication of the army Y. M. C. A. building, at Old Point, which was presented to Fort Monroe by Miss Helen Gould, of New York, took place yesterday with interesting ceremonies.

The submarine torpedo boat Moccasin is still hard ashore at Currituck. Efforts to float her Tuesday were fruitless and a large hawser from the wrecking tug Hercules parted during the morning attempt.

Senator Scott, of West Virginia, says that the story to the effect that he is trying to secure a delegation from his State for Hanna for President is untrue. "Senator Hanna is not a candidate for President," he said.

Frank Adams, a negro, was convicted in Birmingham, Ala., of the murder of Dave Lee, also a negro, and was given the death sentence. Both men were convicts and were serving terms for murder, Adams thirty years, and Lee a life sentence.

The Southern Hosiery Manufacturers Association have decided to advance prices five per cent. on January 1. A further advance of 10 per cent. is contemplated. The old officers were re-elected. The next meeting will be held in Charlotte, N. C.

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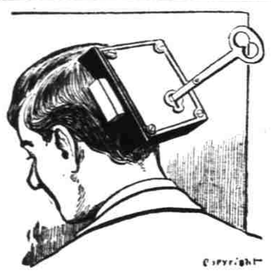

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Considering the list of presents and toys we carry, we would like to impress the people with the fact that we carry something to please all. Mothers making out their list of holiday gifts would do well to remember that Santa Claus makes his headquarters with us. We have been working hard this week to make room in our big store to show our goods. We have succeeded and now we have them on exhibition. As to the line of dolls we carry, we feel sure we will save you money and give you a chance to select from the largest stock in the city. To describe our dolls we have not the room, but will say that we can please even the most fastidious. Our prices for handsome dolls are from 50c. up to $6 each. Our $1, $1.50, and $2 dolls are hand made and of the very best work. We also have a very large line for the wholesale trade as well as the retail trade in the cheap line. Strong numbers from 10c up, and our 25c dolls are extra values. Our 50c line is the very best we have ever had. We have about 200 dolls on hand that were left from last year which we will sell at just half price—a 50c doll for 25c, a 25c doll for 13c, a 10c doll for 5c. In toys we have every class of goods—children's go-carts from 25c to $2 98 and carriages from 25c to $3, wagons from 10c up to $4.50, velocipedes from $1.50 to $3.50.

Books.

In this line of goods we have just received 150 new novels, all cloth bound and splendid print; all representing standard works. We will sell on Monday our 25c books for 9c each, only one to a customer. In toy books, Christmas cards and ca endars, we are baddling Raphael Tuck's line known the world over as the best there is in it. We sell children's books from 5c to $1.25. Christmas cards from 1c up to 25c; calendars from 5c up to 75c each. Our books are all on display and we will be glad to have you look them over. We have a full supply of horses, mechanical toys, guns and toys of all kinds for the boys.

Fireworks.

In this line of goods we will be glad to sell you for Christmas display, and will give you special prices on quantities. If you are thinking of buying fireworks of any kind, we will like to say that we will have lots of them to sell, and we will sell them cheap.

Ladies' Cloaks.

We are expecting in Monday a big shipment of new cloaks. Our trade in this department has been phenomenal, never half so good before. We have lots of them on hand now that we are selling from $2 75 up to $12.50 each. Our $4, $5, $6 and $7 cloaks are new and stylish and the prices are right. If you give them look you will be sure to buy. In line of Military Cloaks we have to make three additional orders by press this week. They seem to be the ladies want, as they can easily ognize the style and value. The are from $7.50, $9, $10 and $12 each.

Children's Cloaks.

We are selling lots of children Cloaks. In buying this Fall we very liberal and bought a great many and we must sell them, and for next three weeks we will make special prices and offer a rebate of 10 per cent on children's and infant's small long Cloaks; ages from one to five years old.

Furs.

For a Christmas present there hardly anything nicer than a Fur Collarette and they are sure to please ladies. We have them at all prices from $1 to $15 each. Our $2 50 Furs are beauties and ladies always appreciate a good Fur. We have great many to show and can suit you as to price and quality.

We look well after your wants will do all in our power to please you. We will punch your card with each purchase except toys, and give you a present free at the Big Racket Store.

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REPORT OF THE CONDITION OF

The Murchison National Bank

Wlimington, N. C.

At close of business Nov. 17, 1903. (Began Business March 1st, 189)

RESOURCES:		LIABILITIES:	
Loans and Discounts	$1,131,992 44	Capital	$ 50,000
U. S. Bonds (at par)	350,000 00	Surplus and net profits	153,568
Bank Building	29,500 00	Circulation	50,000
Cash on hand and in Banks	718 166 24	Deposits	1,627,149
	$2 229,658 98		$2,229,658

Comparative statement of deposits,

Nov. 17th, 1901, $672,303 88. Nov. 17th, 1902, $51,164,000 05 Nov. 17th, 1903, $1,627,149 88.

H. C. McQUEEN, President,

J. V. GRAINGER, Cashier.

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