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MINOR MENTION.

Before the election in Ohio it was claimed by the People's Party spokesmen that they would poll 50,000 votes, and that they had blood in their eye for Candidate McKinley and Senator John Sherman...

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If what is claimed for the Lisenhard cotton picker, which has been on exhibition at the Piedmont Exposition in Atlanta, Ga., be true, the problem of satisfactorily picking cotton by machinery seems to have been solved. At least a dozen inventions for this purpose have been put before the public from time to time...

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W. W. W. One Cent a Mile Railroad Rates and Many Varied Attractions Will Draw Crowds. The column advertisement in the STAR tells the graphic story that will be presented for public delectation during the period from December 1st to 8th.

The railroad fare during the festive occasion will be one cent a mile on all roads leading into the city. On the Richmond and Danville system the rate will be one cent a mile on Wednesday and Thursday.

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A 'Possum Will Be a 'Possum Till He Dies. Six fine 'possums coddled innocently in the corner of a wired box in front of Sneed's store, near Front street market Wednesday afternoon. Nothing was ever so guileless and thoroughly harmless as these marsupials.

Rev. Sam. Jones at Charlotte. Rev. Sam. Jones began his meetings in Charlotte Wednesday last. The Chronicle quotes him as saying: "Well, I am here," said the speaker, "to amuse you and to give you something to think about."

Until Death or Divorce. The course of true love may not always run smooth, but it is apt to get there after awhile after a fashion. So the misfire wedding which failed to come off Wednesday evening before Judge R. H. Bunting's nuptial bureau got in on time yesterday morning at 10 o'clock between Frank Donaldson and Lizzie Walker, both of severe color.

Death of Respector of Persons. Many are the heartfelt regrets and warm sympathies expressed in this community at the sad and unexpected death of Mr. Du Brut Poisson, who died at his residence in this city on Second street near Ann, of typhoid fever, about 11 a. m. yesterday.

Something About Deer. Mr. Oscar Batton, the deer-slayer of Scott's Hill, brought to Front street market yesterday another invoice of deer, consisting of a fine three-pronged buck and a fat doe. Mr. Batton says he had a long shot Friday at the biggest buck he ever saw, which was followed by a flash and a vanish of the game.

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NOTICE. This is intended only for subscribers whose subscriptions have expired. It is not a dun, but a simple request that all who are in arrears for the STAR will favor us with a prompt remittance.

Mr. W. J. Balken, of Magnolia, is here on business. Mr. E. L. Henry, of Kelley's, is visiting the city.

Mr. D. I. Parker, of Magnolia, is visiting the city in a mercantile way. Mr. J. D. Robinson, a merchant of Shallotte, is buying his stock in the city.

Mr. G. F. Peterson, of Kerr, was inspecting wholesale goods yesterday. Mr. Jas. Malona, of Charlotte, N. C., was registered at The Orion last night.

Mr. W. G. Elwell, of Armour, is in the city, visiting relatives and friends. Mr. D. LeWinn, of Maxton, is replenishing his stock of merchandise in the city.

Mr. W. M. Marines, of Marines, Onslow county, is examining wholesale goods in the city. Messrs. Bryant & McDermott, merchants at Mt. Tabor, are laying in their stocks in the city.

Mr. J. H. Clark, a leading merchant and citizen of Clarkton, was among the wholesale dealers yesterday. Mr. Jno. F. Moore, of Burgaw, has business with the wholesale dealers in the city.

Mr. W. J. Morgan, of Shallotte, was in the city yesterday, trading with job merchants. Mr. W. B. Hocut, Rocky Point was shaking hands with his friends here yesterday.

SOUTHPORT-CHICAGO. Brunswick County Commissioners Order an Election on Tuesday, December 22nd, 1891, to Decide Whether the County Shall Subscribe \$100,000 to the Brunswick, Western and Southern Railroad Company.

These gentlemen, for the company, propose to defray all the expenses of an election in Brunswick county to determine whether the county would subscribe \$100,000 to the capital stock of said company and offered to put up \$1,500 as a guarantee of good faith that the company would comply with its promises.

In consideration of the above, the Board of County Commissioners of Brunswick has ordered an election to be held on Tuesday, the 22nd day of December, on "for" or "against" subscription.

It will be profitable to note what the company has already done as an evidence of their intentions. They are said to have purchased about \$45,000 worth of Southport and Brunswick county real property, paying \$15,350 for Southport property, including a water front in the 227 acres acquired, and the property for a cooling station cost \$12,000.

The officers of this road are Geo. L. Dunlap, President; F. B. Ulery, Vice President; J. D. Bellamy, Jr., Secretary and Treasurer; H. H. Dougherty, General Manager. Directors, Geo. L. Dunlap, Geo. H. Bliss, B. F. Ulery, Chicago, J. D. Bellamy, Jr., R. W. Hicks, W. E. Worth, Wilmington, N. C.; H. H. Dougherty, Newark, N. J.; E. B. Stevens, W. H. Pike, Southport.

The road, when built, will have about seventy miles of railroad in Brunswick county, and the shops and terminals of the road will be at Southport. An application for a subscription of \$100,000 was also made to the County Commissioners of Brunswick by vice-president Morton, of the Cape Fear & Cinnahat, E. Z. E. and S. R. R. who had the drop.

Mr. Geo. F. Bliss, of Chicago, treasurer of the Brunswick Southern & Western R. R., will arrive in this city Saturday night, and next week he and Dr. Frank Ulery will go to New York on matters pertaining to their road.

Savannah News: The convention which met in Atlanta for the purpose of agreeing upon a plan for reducing the amount of cotton produced does not seem to have done anything that will effect the object aimed at. The report that was adopted recommends that the cotton acreage be reduced one-third, and that on large plantations only twelve acres to the plow be planted.

CUMBERLAND FAIR. Magnificent Exhibit in All the Departments—Balloon Ascension—Horse Racing. (Special Star Telegram.) FAYETTEVILLE, N. C., Nov. 6.—The crowd to-day at the Cumberland Fair, though not so great as yesterday, was very large—estimated at 8,000. The best of order has prevailed, the exhibit is enthusiastically praised by all strangers.

Mr. Marion Butler, President of the State Alliance, telegraphs his inability to be present. Prof. Thompson's balloon ascensions are entirely successful and satisfactory. The racing to-day was fine; the best three in five heats were by a black horse from Baltimore.

NOT GUILTY. VERDICT OF THE JURY IN THE MOTZ CASE. Great Rejoicing—Canon Fired—An Ovation to the Prisoners, Their Counsel and the Judge and Jury. (Special Star Telegram.) SHELBY, N. C., November 6.—After being out over two hours the jury in the Motz case brought in a verdict of not guilty. The verdict was received with cheers, and the prisoners, the family, the judge, the jury and the counsel were given an ovation to-night. Cannon are being fired and cheers are rending the air.

CHILIAN AFFAIRS. Admiral Montt Elected President of the Republic. By Telegram to the Morning Star. VALPARAISO, November 5.—As was formerly announced in these dispatches, the Liberal party won a sweeping victory in the recent elections, and this fact made the election of a Liberal President a foregone conclusion.

FOUR MASKED MEN. Roban Express Train on the Missouri Pacific and Carry off a Large Amount of Money. By Telegram to the Morning Star. OMAHA, Nov. 6.—Passengers on the Missouri Pacific train which left Omaha at 10:30 last night were treated to an old-fashioned "hold up" at the west side suburb. At 11 o'clock four masked men, dressed in heavy winter clothing, took charge of the train, when it stopped at the station, one covering the engineer and fireman with a rifle, while others proceeded to plunder the train of its money.

THE DAVIS MONUMENT. Mrs. Davis' Interview With a Committee of Ladies of Richmond—Hollywood Decided Upon as the Place for the Monument. By Telegram to the Morning Star. RICHMOND, Va., Nov. 5.—A committee representing the Ladies' Hollywood Memorial Association called on Mrs. Jefferson Davis to-day with a view of expressing a desire that the Association be allowed custody of the remains of Mr. Davis. Various places of sepulture were talked of, including the grounds of the "White House" of the Confederacy.

Wadesboro Messenger Intelligence. Mrs. Crowder Died at the residence of her father, Col. M. L. McCorkle, in Newton, last Tuesday. Mrs. Dowd was a sister of Mrs. E. R. Simons of Wadesboro. From the best estimates we can gather, the cotton crop of the entire country into consideration about three-fourths of an average crop of cotton was gathered in Anson county this year. The little town of Wadesboro, in the house alone, and caught from the fire in the fire-place, the family all being in the cotton patch near the house. He is not expected to live.

Rockingham Rocket: About 7 o'clock last Friday morning the heavy stables belonging to Mr. Geo. Well were discovered in flames and despite all efforts to distinguish the fire, were razed to the ground in a very short time. The origin of the fire was not accounted for. Mr. Well puts his loss at about \$4,500, which is covered by his 1,000 insurance. Fortunately, all the horses were saved. The fire was caused by a spark from the engine. Over forty bales of cotton and a quantity of seed were destroyed.

Henderson Gold Leaf: Old Mrs. Betsy Faulkner, who lives in Sandy Creek township, about four miles from town, came to Henderson recently and purchased the first bonnet in her life. The gin house of Mr. Rufus K. Young, at Five Points, on the Lousburg road, about six miles from town, was burned together with its contents last Friday. The fire was caused by a spark from the engine. Over forty bales of cotton and a quantity of seed were destroyed.

Kinston Free Press: Saturday afternoon, about three miles from Hookerton, Mr. Dub Smith and Mr. John Brown got into a fuss, which ended fatally for Brown. The trouble was started by Smith's dog, which was at which the latter became offended. Smith struck Brown on the head with a piece of scuffling, breaking his skull. Brown died of his wounds. Smith has left for parts unknown. Mrs. Elizabeth Rouse, mother of Mrs. E. R. Rouse, died at the home of her son-in-law, about four miles from Kinston, last Thursday, aged 88 years.

Raleigh Chronicle: Mr. Albert Johnson says the oldest locomotive boiler in use is now at the shops of Sergeant & Co., at Greensboro. In 1885 it was the boiler of the engine "Patrick Henry" on the Petersburg & Richmond railroad, which was then what was known as an "inside connected" engine. For seven years it was thus used and was then altered, becoming an "outside connected." Finally it was laid aside as a locomotive and was purchased by the Raleigh & Gaston railway, for use as a stationary engine. In that way it was in use in 1891. A year ago the Confederate government bought it. Somewhere it got to Greensboro, and there it has been since 1860, it seems.

Hendersonville Times: Mr. J. S. Stevens has a cent piece which was coined by the United States Government nearly 100 years ago. It was the best money ever issued from the mint in this country. There is one benighted individual in this county who contends that the cent piece is still and is square. It is a round piece, has been subscribed by some citizens of Weaverville, towards the construction of a dummy line from that place to Asheville, a distance of 120 miles. Mrs. M. A. Ripley showed us last week two pumpkins which were grown on the lot in town where she lives, that weighed respectively 7 1/2 and 8 1/2 pounds. They were the largest pumpkins in this county, except Bascom Case's big "Pheasant" which weighed 232 pounds, and took the premium of \$100 at the Bust exhibit in Philadelphia.

Statesville Landmark: There are 280 children in the graded schools. Sheriff Allison has for some days been on the track of Jo. Cass, who killed W. G. Wooten, near Harmony, in north Iredell, several years ago. The sheriff left here Tuesday night for Tennessee and has bagged his man. There was a rucus at the house of John Day, colored, a mile and a half from town on the Charlotte & Salisbury road, last Friday night. One account says a feebly was in progress there at that time, and another says it was "one of these dance." The sheriff's party passed between two of the guests, Albert King and John Emmons, whereupon King reached down in his bottle pocket, fished out a small amount of fire and Emmons. The ball missed Emmons but Burgess White stepped in the door just in time to keep it from being lost. He caught it in his left fore-arm and it was there at last account.

Monroe Enquirer: Mr. Elijah Aldridge, of Sandy Ridge township, died Tuesday morning after a short illness. He was 72 years old. A gentleman writing us from Goodman, Anson county, says Mrs. Laura Parker has a stalk of pepper which contains 1,443 pods. She says she has several residences have been erected in Monroe this year, and yet the call is for more. Mr. J. T. Duncan, who lives on Goose Creek, produced this year on two acres, one hundred bushels of cotton.

Mrs. John Dixon, of Goose Creek township, recently killed a hawk with her eyes shut. She pointed the gun in the direction of the hawk, but her eyes were shut and she pulled the trigger, and down came the hawk. The four-year old son of Mr. David Deason, of Buford township, was severely burned on Monday morning. The little fellow was in the house alone, and caught from the fire in the fire-place, the family all being in the cotton patch near the house. He is not expected to live.

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