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WEYLER METHODS IN THE PHILIPPINES.

The Atlanta Constitution has correspondent, Jos. Ohl, who has been travelling in the far East, from which he writes letters from various places which he visits, interesting letters, too. He is now in the Philippines, where he is, by personal observation and mingling with army officers and Filipinos, gathering a large amount of information, some of which he sends in a letter from Cebu, which is published in the Constitution of the 26th inst., from which we make a few extracts which throw a light on American methods, illustrating "benevolent assimilation," and the feeling of the Filipinos, who we have been so often assured are eager to call themselves Americans.

Beginning, he says: "The higher civilized and altogether humane methods that characterized the rule of the gentle Weyler in Cuba are being resorted to by the American army in its efforts to sub-Cebu, of Bohol, and would be put into effect in Samar, if the conditions were favorable. Whole villages have been burned by the orders of the gen-eral commanding this district, and the reconcentrado policy of which we heard so much in Cuba is about to be put into operation here, if, indeed, it cannot be said to have already been instituted. General Hughes believes that "war is hell," as Sheridan said, and he is giving the people of Cebu s

"Only a few nights ago an American officer boasted that he is known as the Weyler of the district where he is in command. He also said-though it may seem incredible—that he was proud of being so called "The people of the United States have no conception of the conditions

prevailing down here. If they had, a howl would go up from one end of the country to the other. Army of-ficers tell of these things in confi dence, but nothing is said with the idea that it shall get to the outside world. I have no doubt that when this appears in the Constitution there will be a chorus of denial, and yet I am writing only that which I get from the very best authority.

"General orders have been issued that whosoever shall in give any aid and comfort to the enemy shall be wis ited with dire punishment; that his house shall be burned over his head as severely as is possible. The officer commanding the battalion over on Bo hol has been given instructions to kill off everybody suspected of connection with the insurgents. He has been told that these orders give him the widest latitude; that he is not to be very par ticular whether the suspect is bearing arms or has been; if he is a suspect, he is to be treated as an outlaw and shot

"The people are to be brought in from the country and cooped up in the towns; those who refuse to come are to be hunted down. The only difference I can see between this and the Weyler methods which brought down the wrath of the world upon the head of Spain, is that the Filipino recon-centrados will in all probability be fed better than the Spanish fed those

ered necessary by General Hughes because conditions on this island and its little neighbor Bohol are worse to day than they have been at any time.

Army officers who tell of these orders say they think them necessary in order to put a speedy end to the troubles and argue that it will jurn out best for the Filipinoa, even if they lose their lives as the result of it all." The soldiers are convinced or

say they are that the way to deal with these people who show any disposition to prefer a government, ferent races, which have had long standing feuds among themselves, which speak different languages and have different interests? Could such of their own to American Government is to shoot them down and destroy their homes and thus command obedience by inspiring terror. and they are acting upon this prinunited in their hearts upon this one thing—that they want a Filipino gov-ernment. The wars with Spain and the war that has been fought with the ciple. This correspondent enumerates instances where people have been shot down as suspects, and where towns have been fired by the Americans because the people who were ordered by the insurgents under a threat of death to supply provisions supplied them to escape the vengeance of their armed countrymen. They were "between the devil and the deep sea," as the saying is, for not to have furnished dren of the coming generation will feel the desire for independence even the provisions would have brought

their countrymen and furnishing them brought down the vengeance of the Americans.

We have been told that the Filipinos are incapable of self-government, but speaking of the island of Cebu this correspondent says:

feel the desire for independence even more than we do. It is being instilled in them from boyhood. Education in English will only tend to impress them the stronger with the conviction of their ability to administer and maintain their own government. Those who count upon making over the Filipino by teaching him English have little conception of what racial instincts and race feeling mean." Cebu this correspondent says:

"After the Spanish left Cebu, on Christmas 1898, the Filipinos had set up their own civil government, taking up their own civil government, taking up the reins where Spain let them go.

The civil affairs were administered by the Filipinos who, according to the records, had a well organized and fairly well regulated government. It

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had its judiciary and its postal service; it controlled the port and the customs, and, in short, ran along fully as well as did the Spanish government. For several months the island, like the others have been in the island, like the people are citizens in a semi —they have been educated in on schools, and everything possible his been done for them through fits years and more. Yet everybedy when the people are citizens in a semi —they have been educated in on schools, and everything possible his been done for them through fits years and more. Yet everybedy when the people are citizens in a semi —they have been educated in on schools, and everything possible his been done for them through fits years and more. -they have been educated in our schools, and everything possible has been done for them through fifty years and more. Yet everybody who has been brought in contact with them knows that they are as much Mexicans others here in the South, was let alone by the Americans. After they came they were not disturbed for about a year. An American government was set up. Recently because it is alleged that the firing upon this town and the barrios warranted extreme measures, this civil government was set aside, and the military is now in complete as they ever were, as thoroughly Mexicans as were their forefathers. You cannot make over a race by teaching it another language."

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These people had civil govern-

ernments by the people, when every-

thing seemed to run soomthly and

yet we are told that they are not ca-

pable of self government. These

governments may not have come up

to the American idea, but they

suited the people quite as well, and

perhaps better than our method of

Our correspondent says the Fili-

pinos have an intense hatred for the

Americans and gives some of the

reasons. They hate them worse

than they hated the Spaniards, for

while under Spanish rule the Span-

iards mingled with the people, in-

termarried with them and identi-

them with contempt, which extends

even to the better classes of the

Filipinos. Another cause is that

where the women are weak enough

to be influenced by money, many of

them are prostituted by American

soldiers, who receive more pay than

the average Spanish office holder

did under the old regime. One of

the things of which the Filipinos be-

fore the change felt proud was the

But aside from this there is race

feeling which is as strong between

the brown people of the Philippines

and the American as it is between

the white people of the South and

the negro. They want a govern-

filipinos, and they will never be

satisfied with anything less. Speak-

friendship for the Americans there is

office under our government, even

with those men of rank and education

who know that American rule would

"The man who talked with me was

born in the South. 'You know,' said he, 'what a race feeling means. Well,

these brown men have it as strongly

as have the white men. They wil

never be satisfied until they get

brown man's government. That is

the 'our idea' which they all of them

hold. They believe themselves fully

their own, and they have the raciat

capable of handling a government of

hatred for the white man who con

siders himself their superior. We

know that for the masses of the peo

ple our government would be infinitely better than any that could be set

up by the Filipinos, especially since their long years of education in cor-

ruption and bribery by the Spaniards but whether we will ever be able to

make the people understand, it is something no man can say. The pros-pects are anything but favorable."

As showing the feeling of the

natives he thus refers to an inter-

view he had with a Filipino editor:

pinos I have met is the editor of El Nueva Dia, The New Day, published here at Cebu. He is Sergio Ormena, a full blood Filipino, a man of education, force and ideas. He is a strong

national and there is likely to come :

day when he will find his office closed

by the military authorities. They are

looking for an opportunity to shut him up, and if he is not very careful they will find it. "In talking with me about the fu-

ture, Ormena said the people would never be satisfied until they had their

own government, He seem

a government be stable?

"The Filipinos, no matter what their original tribal divisions, are

United States have had one certain re-

sult—they have united the Filipinos. They are now Filipinos first; their tribal relations are secondary."

When this editor was asked if the

the Fillipinos wouldn't change with

education and when they came to

"No! On the contrary, the chil

As corroborating the views of this

editor the correspondent concludes

with a quotation from one of the

highest officers in the army who had

seen much service in the Southwest.

Texas along the Rio Grande,"

"Take New Mexico and that portion

tions like as better, he replied :

"One of the most intelligent Fili-

virtue of their women.

officer as saying :

themselves with the peo-

the Americana look upon

government would.

In other words learning the English language will not change the nature of men and will no more make an American of a Filipino than ments in all the islands up to the learning English makes an Englishtime of American occupation, govman of a Sepoy.

GIRDING THE BARTH WITH RAILS.

It is predicted that within fifteen years the trip can be made from Paris to New York by rail, and possibly from London, for a tunnel under the British channel is not among the impossibilities or even improbabilities. That would be really less of an engineering feat in these days of wonderful engineering achievements than the building of a railroad along the Alaskan coast, which is proposed, would be. A company has been organized for this purpose and it is said it means business.

The intertion is to make the Alaskan terminus of this road somewhere on Bering's Straits, which, it is said, can be bridged by taking advantage of the islands, and thus rail connection be made with the trans-Siberian road, giving all rail travel across both hemispheres. But if bridging the straits should prove impracticable the distance across by boat would be insignificant, and no very serious obstacle in the way of such an enterprise. The only question is, "will it pay?" If men who have millions to invest in railroads or other enterprises of that character become convinced of this that road will surely be built, whether within the predicted time

ment of Filipinos for Filipinos by There are great mineral and timber resources in Alaska, which of ing of this race feeling, he quotes an themselves would tempt investment in a railroad to develop and "The man is blind who does not see that under all these protestations of utilize them. If the company which proposes to undertake this longing for a government of their own.
The men of intelligence among them
see that acceptance of American sovereignty is the only thing for the present, but even with those who hold work secures the land grants from Congress that it asks for these, with a railroad penetrating them, would more than pay the cost of construction and leave an immense margin for profit to the projectors best protect them, there is the feeling of this enterprise.

A report comes from Washington that the ladies of the cabinet are going to socially boycott the ladies of Secretary Long's family because in all the time they have been living in Washington they have not given any social layouts, although accepting invitations and participating in those given by the other ladies. There is always some trouble brewing in Washington, and this right on the heels of the Schley racket.

The girls in Smith College, Mass., are about to start an insurrection because the faculty has issued a rule which prohibits a girl from riding in a carriage with a student of Amherst College unless the girl is engaged to be married to him. This may possibly result in some temporary engagements, if not in a revolt.

The Topeka, Kansas boy, who wrote to Santa Clans and said all he wanted was a gun and a Bible, is probably a juvenile member of the Church Militant, and somewhat of an offset to the other Topeka boy who refused to pray in school and was dismissed.

preciate the motives impelling this government in taking control of things down here, but he is full of the idea that this should be a government of The increase of taxable property in this State this year over last year the Filipinos by the Filipinos. I asked him if the people would not be satis-fied if Filipinos are given the adminisis between \$20,000,000 and \$25, 000,000. The four wealthiest countration of affairs under American di-rection. Upon this point he was very positive. 'Only,' said he' 'if they are ties are Wake, which reports \$11,-794,806; Mecklenburg, \$11,697,242; convinced that it means ultimate in-Durham, \$10,347,138, and Bun-But can there be such a thing as a combe. \$10,116,861. Filipino government with these dif-

About twenty thousand Santa Claus letters wind up in the Dead Letter Office every year, and doubtless some of the Dead Letter Office people wish the Dutch had never iuvented Santa.

A New York syndicate will soon begin the erection of a hotel which will be the nobbiest on the continent, and compared with which the Waldorf Astoria will figure as country stage inn.

Governor Leslie M. Shaw, takes Secretary Gage's place in the Treasury, is another self-made man. He began life on a Vermont farm. but went West and "grew up with the country."

An Atlanta man has accomplished the feat of crowding 12,097 words on a postal card, and thus beat Uncle Sam out of about seventy-five cents postage.

Governor Shaw, of Iowa, who succeeds Mr. Gage as Secretary of the Treasury is a banker, and to his credit, it is recorded, he never foreclosed a mortgage.

MOST BRUTAL CRIME.

White Man Strikes a Young Girl Over the Head With a Heavy Scantling.

CHILD'S HEAD BADLY GASHED

Thomas Rouse, an Escaped Convict, Without Any Known Cause, Commits a Cowardly and Villainous Crime. Bound Over to Court.

Probably one of the most bruta crimes ever committed in this community was perpetrated Ohristmas night about 7 o'clock by Thomas Rouse, an escaped convict from Kinston, and a man with a heart as black as sin. He struck Minnie Phillips, a little white girl, with a large piece of scantling, and laid her skin open to the skul where it struck.

Rouse was at the home of the little girl's mother on Cowan street near Chadbourn's lumber mill. Mrs. Philips with her daughter and several other persons, was standing in the yard talking. Without the slightest knowledge of his approach, Rouse walked up and delivered a terrible blow, striking the twelve-year-old child squarely on her head and she fell unconscious to the ground. Without saying a word he walked back into the house. The tender little victim of this most villianous assault was taken to Mr. J. D Nutt's drug store where her frightful wound was dressed by Dr. E. S. Pigford and others who were present at the time. The sight was painful as well as sickening, and all who saw the child or heard of the dastardly deed were enraged.

Sergeant C. S. Burnett went out and arrested Rouse and locked him up in the guard house.

The preliminary trial before the Mayor yesterday was attended by large number of people. The mother and child appeared as witnesses against the inhuman wretch. Maime Phillips is a very pretty girl, and when she related the incident to the Mayor a heart in the court room that did not go out to her. She was a pitiful sight with her head bandaged up. Mamie said she told her mother that Santa Claus had slighted her and before she could speak another word the crushing blow came down on her Rouse said he didn't intend to hit

the child, but was striking at some one else. But be has yet to express the least regret at his terrible crime. Mayor Waddell in a firm voice said:

This is the most cowardly and villainous thing I have ever heard of and if I had the power I would send you to the penitentiary for ten years.' There was a murmur of approval all over the court room, and then His Honor bound Rouse over to the Superior Court under a \$150 bond. Rouse is a middle aged man. He

shot a man in Kinston and was sentenced to a year on the county roads. He ran away last Spring and came to Wilmington in June. He is a cold blooded being and should receive the extreme penalty of the law.

MR. GWATHMEY'S HORSES.

His Bay Trotter Tudor Chimes Was th Star Attraction On the Speedway. Won Many Heats.

The following clipping from the New York Evening Telegram of a recent date will be read with interest by many Wilmingtonians:

Mr. A. B. Gwathmey and his bay trotter Tudor Chimes, 2:18, recently purchased at a long price as a pole mate for Tiverton, were the star at-tractions at the Speedway yesterday. It was the owner's first appearance in several weeks, and he seemed to thoroughly enjoy riding at speed over the firm, smooth surface. His trainer, John Howell, was behind Tiverton, and as the two horses have shown so fast together to the pole, the owner was anxious to see them pitted against each other in single harness.

"The horses proved as closely matched in single harness as when harnessed together, and although Tudor Chimes won each heat, it looked to a spectator as if Mr. Howell could have made the pace just a trifle faster with Tiverton, even if he had not been able to win. It is never considered quite 'good form' for a trainer to finish in front of his employer. On the other hand, it must be remembere that the two horses had many keen contests before Mr. Gwathmey made the purchase, and Tudor Chimes never lost a heat, except on two occasions, when he lost his stride."

In Memory of Bagley.

A silver memorial vase, designed by liffany & Co., of New York, has been presented to Ensign Worth Bagley's mother. The vase bears the following inscriptions:

"Presented to the mother of Ensign Worth Bagley by L. B. Eaton, of North Carolina, in behalf of citizens of | ments along the North Carolina coast. 37 States and the District of Colume Observer Pickells, of Norfolk, has bia, as a token of admiration for the been ordered to Manteo, N. C., gallant young officer killed at the bat tle of Cardenas May 11, 1898."

Around the base are inscribed the words: "Dulce et decorum est pro patria mari."

Lady Sportsman Coming.

Charlotte Observer: Two lady sport nen from the North-Miss Chandler and Mrs. Wilber, of Bethlehem, Pa.—will be hunting birds in the fields about Rutherfordton next week. They will arrive at that place Sunday in charge of Mr. E. S. Boutcher, of Easton, Pa. Mr. Beutcher is a prominent railroad man and sportsman, and is well known in this section of the State. He says that the two ladies have caught tarpon and shot snipe, duck and reed birds, but have never had a North Carolina partridge hunt. They are to be initiated into the pleas-ures of this sport at Rutherfordton.

LYNCHING IN NORTHAMPTON.

NELLIE CROPSEY'S

FATE REVEALED

Her Dead Body Found Floating

in the River at Eliza-

beth City.

THE GIRL WAS MURDERED

Excitement Among Citizens-Wilcox Pu

in Jall for Protection Prom Violence.

Naval Reserves Called Out and

Other Precautions Taken.

By Telegraph to the Morning Star.

ELIZABETH CITY, N. C., Dec. 27-

The body of Nell Cropsey, who mys-

teriously disappeared from her home

on the night of November 20th, was

found this morning at 10 o'clock in

the Pasquotank river, opposite the

Cropsey residence, by two fishermen.

The news of the finding flew over the

city like wildfire and within a short while over two thousand people had assembled on the river bank, waiting for the body to be brought ashore.

Ploating Face Downward.

The body was discovered by J. D. Stillman, a fisherman, who was returning from his night's fishing trip.

Upon discovering that the floating object was the body of a young girl he immediately notified the committee, and Coroner Fearing had the body

brought to the shore. When found

the body was floating face downward,

All the wearing apparel was intact, with the exception of the rubber which Nell wore on the night of her

disappearance, and that was missing.

With the exception of some slight dis-

coloration of the face the body was in

a state of good preservation and little decomposed. The body was easily identified as that of Nell Cropsey by

spot where the body was found had been dragged several times since her

Holding An Inquest.

Coroner Fearing summoned a jury

of prominent men from among the crowd that had assembled on the spot where the body had been brought ashore, and called in three of the best physicians of the city to make a

all who had known her in life.

disappearance, but with no result.

horough and exhaustive autopsy

learn if there was any sign of vio-

lence on the body, but up to this time

nothing official can be learned from

the physicians as to their opinion,

they refusing absolutely to give out

any information until after they make

their report to the coroner's jury,

which convened at 9 o'clock to-night

after an adjournment at 5. o'clock

The jury has been in almost contin

nous secret session since the finding of the body and holding of the autopsy,

and very much depends on the con

Great crowds are assembled in front

of the Academy of Music building

where the jury is in session and

groups can be seen on almost every

street corner discussing the affair but

making no manifestations, simply

waiting for the verdict of the jury as

to whether the girl met with foul play

Wilcox Under Arrest.

Anticipating that trouble may

brewing for young Wilcox, the naval

maintain order, and to see that no vio-lence is offered Wilcox. By order of

the mayor all the bar-rooms in the

city have been closed. Wilcox has

been removed from the mayor's office.

where he has been since his arrest this

afternoon, to the county jail for his

The family of the dead girl refuses

to express an opinion as to the cause

of the death of Nellie Cropsey, but an

said: "I never have yet heard of a drowned person floating face down-

The mother of the girl is completely

prostrated and little can be done on the part of relatives and friends to

comfort her. She has watched daily,

hoping for the return of her daughter

alive, and the sad ending of the disap-

pearance has completely broken her

Wilcox apparently maintains the

same indifferent air that has charac-

terized him all the way through this

case, and feeling is running to some

The report of the coroner's jury i

The Autopsy.

The report made by the physicians

who performed the autopsy on Miss

iolence. There was discoloration of

a pinkish tinge on the front of head

and face with a slight bluish discolor

ation over the back of the neck and

occiput. There were no marks upon

the front of her neck, except as made

by constriction of her dress collar. An

examination of the internal organs

A Bruise on the Head.

showed she was a pure girl.

Cropsey says:

extent against him to-night.

not expected until late to-night.

uncle of the girl is reported as having

has been placed around the jail.

or committed suicide.

will be the fate of young Wilcox.

without reaching a verdict.

Negro Takes From Jall and Hanged by Citizens for Criminal Assault On s White Woman.

[Special Star Telegram.] RALEIGH, N. C., Dec. 28.-Governor Aycock this morning issued an order and commissioned Judge Justice to hold a special term of criminal court for Northampton county, to try Jeter Mitchell, a negro, for criminal assault on Mrs. Lucinda Hall, near Garysburg, but before the documents left the city a telegram was received to the effect that a crowd of infuriated to the effect that a crowd of infuriated citizens gave "Judge Lynch" jurisdiction early this morning, and Mitchell was hung on the limb of a tree by the jail. The order for a special term of court of course was revoked.

Judge Purnell to-day dismissed the application of the gold brick men for a writ of habeas corpus. An appeal was taken to the Supreme Court.

POINT CASWELL NOTES.

interesting Christmas Exercises field a the Presbyterian Church Tuesday Night.

Special Star Correspondence. POINT OASWELL, Dec. 28. -On Tuesday evening a large crowd assembled at the church to witness the exercises of the children and view the beautiful Christmas tree laden with useful presents for the children.

The exercises were opened with prayer by the Rev. Mr. Starbuck, who was spending his vacation at Point Caswell. After the prayer the children sang several songs suitable to the ocorganist, after which the various pres-ents were distributed to the children,

who greatly enjoyed them.

The Sabbath school of this church in a very healthy condition, the at-tendance is large and regular and it is said to be the very best in the county.

I cannot close without mentioning the great interest taken in this entertainment by the Misses Mary and Minnie Henry, and to whose efforts the success is mainly due.

SPECTATOR. ABOUT JANUARY WEATHER.

Data Covering a Period of 31 Years Compiled From Weather Bureau Records.

The following data, covering a period of 31 years, have been compiled from the Weather Bureau records at Wilmington for the month of

Temperature-mean or normal tem perature, 47 degrees; warmost month was that of 1880, with an average of 55 degrees; coldest month was that of 1893, with an average of 39 degrees; highest temperature was 80 degrees on the 8th, 1890; lowest was 9 degrees on the 6th, 1884.

Precipitation-Average for month 3.75 inches; average number of days with .01 of an inch or more, 12; greatest monthly precipitation was 7.52 inches in 1878; least monthly precipitation was 0.52 inches in 1876; greatest amount of precipitation recorded in any twenty-four consecutive hours was 4.56 inches on the 5th, 1874; greatest amount of snow fall recorded in any 24 consecutive hours (record extending to Winter of 1884-85 only) was 1.5 inches on the 5th, 1874.

Clouds and Weather.-Average numer of clear days, 9; partly cloudy, 11; cloudy days, 11. Wind.—The prevailing winds have

been from the southwest. Highest velocity of the wind was 46 miles from the southwst on the 6th, 1892.

HAD A ROUGH VOYAGE.

Capt. Pennewell and His Young Companion Arrived Safely at New York.

The schooner Emily F. Northam, for which some anxiety was felt, has reached New York in safety. She sailed from this port on December the 6th with a cargo of lumber for Stamford, Conn. The day after the vessel sailed from Southport she struck a hurricane, and for many days she encountered exceedingly rough weather. Her only mishap during the voyage was the losing of a part of her deck

It will be remembered that Master George Shepard left on the schooner with Capt. Pennewell. The safe arrival of the vessel through the stretch of bad weather is due largely to the capability of Capt. Pennewell, who is one of the youngest sailing masters plying on the Atlantic coast.

"The stomach upon being opened mitted gas and was found to contain Capt. Pennewell will return to about two ounces of a dark fluid and solid substance; the solid substance presumed to be undigested food. The Wilmington for another cargo at an early date. appearance of stomach and other abdominal organs was normal. The lungs were collapsed and free from water. The heart was normal.

WIRELESS TELEGRAPHY.

Experts Sent to North Carolina to Make Experiments-To Extend System.

extended and attempts will be made to

disseminate weather reports to ships

at sea. Prof. Fessender claims his

system to be superior to that of Mar-

coni, who has only recently success-

fully signalled across the ocean with-

out wires.

"Upon the sections of the scalp all around the head, inch above the brow, there was poind a dark dis-coloration of the muscular substance The Weather Bureau has decided to push its wireless telegraph experiabout two by two inches in extent, visibly thickening the muscular substance. The bone beneath this contusion was discolored, slightly ioin Profs. Fessender, Thlessen and normal condition in any part Hesse, the Weather Bureau's wireless of the scalp, which was completely dissected. There was no fracture distelegraphy experts. The system has already been in successful operation covered at any point of the cranium. There was no effusion of blood or wabetween Hatteras and Cape Henry, ter upon the surface of the brain or any evidence that violence had reached its structure or the internal plates of its bony covering. The brain substance where permanent stations have been established. The system is now to be

> dence of damage. The brain was re-moved and the base of the brain was thoroughly inspected. There was no damage to blood vessels or bony struc-The report was signed by Doctors J. E. Wood, O. McMullan and I. Fearing. Verdict of Coroner's Jury.

showed, so far as we could see, no evi-

- Governor Aycock will make "We, the coroner's jury, having been duly summoned and sworn by Dr. I. Fearing to inquire what caused the death of Ella M. Cropsey, do here-by report that from the investigation the first of a series of visits to the State's charitable institutions this week. He is desirous of familiarizing himself with the existing condiPANAMA COMPANY

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made by three physicians of Elizabeth City, and from their opinion and also from our personal observation, that said Ella M. Cropsey came to her death by being stricken a blow on the left temple and by being in the Pasquotank river. We have not yet investigated now hered.

vestigated nor heard any testimony touching as to who inflicted the blow and did the drowning. We are informed that one James Wilcox is

charged with same and is now in ous-

tody. We recommend that investiga-tion as to his or any one else's prob-able guilt be had by one or more magistrates in Elizabeth City town-ship, and that said Wilcox be held to

(Signed) I. Fearing, coroner; P. S. Shipp, B. F. Spence, Maurice Wescott, Robert J. Mitchell, J. B. Ferebee, J. M. Leroy.

KINSTON & CAROLINA ROAD.

acorporated With Capital Stock of \$500,

000 - General Toon's Condition.

[Special Star Telegram.]

RALEIGH, N.C., Dec. 27.-The Kins-

ton and Carolina Railroad Company

was incorporated to-day with \$500,000

capital. The road will be about sixty

miles long and will connect Kinston

with the Wilmington and Weldon

road, and will traverse portions of Le-

There is decided improvement in

General Toon's condition. His family

- Smithfield Herald: Last Tues-

day Jasper Harper, colored, and a man

involved in an affray in one of Ben-

son's suburbs known as Brooklyn. During the progress of the fight another negro, Cephas Langston, interfered and was shot with a pistol by Jasper-Harper, the ball taking effect in his

bowels. Langston lived only a day. Harper was brought here Thursday by

Constable L. M. Ryals and lodged in

jail to await the next term of Johnston

Superior Court, which convenes on the 10th of March. — Henry Davis,

colored, was put in the guard house at Jerome last Tuesday night to await

trial next day for stealing beer from the saloon of Mr. C. A. Fitzgerald. It is supposed he conceived the idea of getting out by firing the house. He fired the house on the inside, but it

over. — The prices of tobacco this season are considerably higher than

last season. The average price paid

ber, 1900, was \$8.20 per hundred. The

average price at the same house for

December, 1901, is \$15.77 per hun-

- Fayetteville Observer: Four

hundred and seventy-six packages of

whiskey, ranging from one quart to

cases of twelve quarts, were brought to Fayetteville Tuesday by the Ex-

press Company. How much more came by freight we do not know. It is estimated that this represented 500

gallons, which, at \$2.50 a gallon, would be \$1,200. Twelve hundred

dollars worth of whiskey brought to

Fayetteville in one day by the Ex-

press Company alone. This is a dreadful drain on the city, far worse

comes from Maxton that on Christ-

mas eve 587 packages of whiskey,

averaging from one gallon to five

gallons, were shipped into Cumberland

and Robeson counties, and that on Christmas day 369 packages followed

By Telegraph to the Morning Star.

RICHMOND, VA., Dec. 28 .- News

On Christmas eve, while out hunt-

of the other party, a clash occurred

several shots were fired and two of the

Ray crowd were slightly wounded. The members of both parties then

retired to their respective homes to

procure more effective arms and se-cure reinforcements. The next day

there was another meeting, and a reg-

ular battle ensued. One man was

killed and two were mortally and a

third was dangerously wounded. Ow-ing to the wires going down the names

MR. CARNEGIE'S GIFT.

The Ten Million Dollars to the United

States Likely to be in Cash.

By Telegraph to the Merning Star.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 28.—President

Roosevelt received information from

Andrew Carnegie that is expected to

anable him to submit to Congress a

ormal gift of \$10,000,000 to the Uni-

ed States for higher education. This

offer will not be in bonds of the Uni-

ted States Steel Corporation, as for-merly proposed, but will be in a form

The gift is likely to be in cash or in

PIRE AT CALVERT, TEXAS.

Iwo Lives Lost and Two Men Seriously

Isjured-Property Loss \$150,000.

DALLAS, TEXAS, Dec. 28.-News of

disastrous fire at Calvert. Texas,

reached Dallas late to-day by long

distance telephone. Two lives were

lost and two men were seriously injur-

ed by falling walls. The property loss will reach \$150,000 with insurance of \$75,000. Four large buildings, with their contents, and six smaller merchandise establishments, were destroyed. The Postal and Western Union telegraph wires were burned.

The Board of Election Commission

ers of New York, met to hear the protests in the Belmont-O'Grady contest

over the Democratic nomination Congress in the Seventh district.

rities drawing annual interest.

ted to be generally satisfactory.

are not given.

of an exciting tragedy reaches here

from Russell county, in the far south-

western part of Virginia.

than the insurance outgo.

to the same counties.

at the Banner warehouse

noir, Duplin and Pender counties.

is confident that he will recover.

await said investigation."

By Cable to the Morning Star. Paris, December 28.-M. Lampre. ecretary general of the Panama Canal Company, sailed for New York today on the French line steamer L'Aquitaine, from Havre. He will confer on his arrival in the United States with a number of the Pagama Compaay's American representatives, and overtures for the sale of the canal property to the United States will be renewed.

In view of the doubt existing in the United States regarding the price the Panama Canal Company's representaranama Canal Company's representa-tives intend to ask for the property, the correspondent of the Associated Press made inquiries from the best source of information on that subject, and is an-abled to say that the price will be, ap-proximately, \$40,000,000. This figure annot yet be given as the exact one, because the company has not yet come to a definite decision, but it will not be appreciably higher The Isthmian Commission's full report is now in the Commission's full report is now in the possession of the Panama Company, and its valuation will be studied in detail. The report of the directors of the Panama Company, cabled to the Associated Press December 21st, said:

"We offer to accept as the basis and point of departure of fresh negotiations the figures and declarations contained in the letters."

tained in the Isthmian Commission's

report."
The estimates come to by such eminent men are not thought to be open to question, though, possibly, a few items are susceptible to reconsideration, and a few matters may remain to be decided, such as a valuation of the company's stocks of supplies; but none of these is calculated to modify the gross figure to any extent. The com-pany does not intend to give the slightest ground for any further mis-understanding, and believes the defi nite price put forward will now be acceptable. With M. Lampre in America it will not be necessary for the mandatory who is empowered to submit the definitive price to depart from France until later, when the ne-gotiations are under way.

REVOLUTION IN VENEZUELA.

Nearly the Whole of the Republic is in Revolt Against President Castro-Telegraph Lines Cut.

By Telegraph to the Morning Star WILLEMSTAD, ISLAND OF CURAACOA. Dec. 28.—Advices received here to-day from Caracas, Venezuela, say that the revolution against President Castro is gaining ground daily. Nearly the whole of the republic is in revolt and Coro, in the State of Falcon, and Bar-

quisimeto, in the State of Lara, par-dicularly, are in the possession of the Cable communication between Oumans, Carapano and Barcelona is inerrupted and the government is without news from the State of Bermudez, (in which these ports are located), which leads to the belief that it also has been induced to revolt by Gen. Domingo Monagus.

Gen. Tuciano Mendoza (the president-elect of the State of Carabobo, who rebelled against President Castro, marched on La Victorio, and was reported to have been defeated), has escaped from the pursuit of the government troops and is now in the neighborhood of San Juan de Los Moros. Antonio Fernandez and thirty chiefs of the State of Carabobo were not willing to engage the government forces before the revolution was quite

Venezuela is said to be on the verge of even more serious complications. The telegraph lines in the interior of the country have all been cut.

The Live Stock Show—Chief Exhibits

CHARLESTON EXPOSITION.

VIRGINIA PEUD PIGHT. To Open January Sixth. By Telegraph to the Morning Star. One Man Killed and Three Men Wounded

CHARLESTON, S. C., December 28.-More than one thousand entries have been made in the live stock show. which will open at the Charleston Exposition January 6th and will continue until January 20th. One of the largest ections of the live stock exhibit will be the sheep section, where 400 head, embracing every known breed, have been entered. One of the chief ex-hibits in the cattle division will be the ing, Wilson Ray, King Ray, John Ray and Charles Ball met Robert Tuggle, Jack Osborne, two of the Taychampion bull of the world, weighing lor boys and others, who were also out gunning. Bad blood had existed for some time between Tuggle and some three thousand pounds and valued at \$12,000. The special object of the live stock exhibit is to encourage the levelopment of the cattle-growing industry in the South, the ranges in this section being specially adapted to the growing of beef cattle,

ATTEMPTED ELOPEMENT.

Two Men Shot and Dangerously Wounded by the Pather of the Girl.

BIRMINGHAM, ALA., Dec. 28.—News has just reached here from Locust Fork, twenty-five miles from this city, where an alleged attempted elopement resulted in the shooting of Jim Snow and Jake Hood, both of whom are dangerously wounded. The shooting, it is claimed, was done by J. B. Hood, father of the young woman with whom it is alleged Jas. H. Glaze had planned to elope. Glaze went to the house of the girl, accompanied by Jake Hood, Jim Snow and several other friends. When the party arrived the father of the girl was on hand with a double-barrelled shotgun.

ELECTRIC STEEL PLANT.

To Produce Steel Ingots From Iron Ore In Thirty Minutes. By Telegraph to the Morning Star.

ELIZABETHTON, TENN., Dec. 28 .-Charles P. Tonoray and George E. where they closed negotiations with the Electric Furnace Company in regard to the erection of an electric steel plant at Elizabethton. It is claimed that by this method steel ingots can be produced directly from iron ore in thirty minutes. An eight-thousand horse power electric plant will be commenced as soon as the site can be decided upon on the Watauga river near Elizabethton, and this will supply the power for the plant.

The marriage of Senator Chauncey M. Depew to Miss May Palmer was celebrated at the American church in Nice, Italy, following the ceremony of the Catholic marriage service at Notre

was announced, however, that the case would be taken to the Supreme court no matter what decision the elections commissioners might make.

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