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THE PHILIPPINE PULL TAX.

Much ado is made over the Southern qualified suffrage laws by the Republican politicians, who prononnce those laws an outrage on the colored citizens, who are, of course, more affected by them than the white citizens are. But that's what troubles these politicians. If qualified suffrage disfranchised white Democrats as they do black Republicans the white Republican politicians would consider it a sixone-way-half-dozen-the-other sort | the North Carolina voters in requirof business, and wouldn't have any ing them to pay their poll taxes by complaints or protests to make.

But when you get down to the bottom of those complaints and compare them with the ac- in the Philippines, where it is practions of the Republican statesmen tically impossible for one person out who have framed the suffrage laws of a hundred to pay it. for our new acquisitions, including Hawaii, which didn't come to us by purchase, war or conquest, but vol- disfranchised Southern negroes, for untarily, these complainants put all sensible people down this way unposition, which intelligent, fairminded people, whose reason is not affected by partisan coloring, clearly see through.

The Pittsburg Post sees through | the nail squarely on the head. it and sizes it up correctly in the following editorial, when it says:

The provision of the Philippine bill regarding the suffrage, enacts substantially that none shall vote there except such as can read and write the English or the Spanish language, or who own \$250 worth of property, or who pay \$15 a year in taxes. amounts practically to a decial of the suffrage to the masses of the inhabitants, few of whom can speak either the English or Spanish language, or own \$250 of property, or would pay \$15 in taxes for the privilege of voting if they could. In the course of the debate Senator Spooner interjected the remark that "this is a little better and fairer than the grandfather test" in the North Carolina constitution. That is the best the apologists of the suffrage enactment for the Philippines can say for it. It is a little better than the electoral amendment of some Southern States, which they incessantly denounce for its flagrant violation of the political rights of citizens. Yet the highest poll tax in North Carolina, Mississippi and other States that have out constitutional restrictions on the lectoral franchise is \$2, and in the Pailippines it s \$15 a year. Republican organs and orators have viclently assailed this \$2 poll tax in Southern States as a practical denial of the suffrage to multitudes of voters, but they are quite dumb concerning the \$15 poll tax in the Philippines.

But in these Southern States every negro can qualify himself for the suffrage by learning to read, and as education shall spread, this Southern educational test will entirely cease to affect the colored race. There is a similar test in Massachusetts, and it is favored in other Northern States, and no doubt in time will become the uni-

versal requirement. It is true that in the South there are exceptional requirements intended primarily to affect the colored people, but in the Republican legislation for the Filipinos the race distinction is clearly recognized, and if right in the Philippines it cannot be wrong in the South ra States. The common sense of the American people has long conceded that the grant of universal suf frage to the colored race was a mistake. The only thing to be done is to correct that mistake within the limits permitted by the constitution. We would not tolerate negro suffrage in Pennsylvania were the condition and numbers of the race relatively the same here as in Mississippi or South

What they have done in the Philippines they have done in Porto Rico and Hawaii, that is by limitation disfranchised nearly all of the natives, and put the governments practically in the hands of the small minority composed of Americans and Europeans who recognize American authority and become American citizens. A few thousand of these rule Hawaii, and a few thousand rule Porto Rico, and a lew thousand will, under the franchize laws, rule in the Philippines, them well enough to have married

when the military do not rule. It cannot be asserted that the franchise is so limited to keep the government of the islands in the hands of the loyal or Republican element, which was the motive for granting the ex-slaves suffrage, because they disfranchise the masses of the people, who do not organize insurrections but simply follow leaders who do, every one of whom may qualify for the franchise under those laws while the masses they lead cannot. The real reason was to keep the ballot out of the hands of the masses of the people who are of mixed bloods and not considered fit to wield the ballot. If this be not the reason, but if be to provide for no time to rust. The atmosphere is intelligent, honest, progressive rule, too dry anyway.

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trying to do that by the only peaceable, practicable way they know of, Aged Citizen Met Tragic Death a way that eliminates not color but **Yesterday Morning at Point** the vicious and ignorant, and elevates suffrage from being mass or Caswell, N. C.

BURNED TO DEATH

as they may pretend, why then find

fault with the Southern States for

mob voting to individual voting as

effectually as that may be done, by

suffrage laws? There is not a South-

ern State whose laws disfranchise

the negro just because he is a negro,

not one in which there are not a

great many negro voters, and where

there would not be many more if

they cared enough for the ballot to

qualify themselves by learning to read

and write and by paying their poll

taxes (which applies to both races)

which are not more than one seventh

as large as they are in the Philip-

pines, and where a tax of any size

that had to be paid out of the labor

of the payer could be paid five times

as easily by the average Southern

negro as it could be by the average

Filipino, because the average Sonth

ern negro can always find work,

while the average Filipino cannot

and at pay five times as large as the

average Filipino earns. A \$15 tax

in the Philippines practically means

ostracism, and that is what it was

intended for by the Republican

statesmen who are making so much

clamor about restricting negro suf-

Statesman Pritchard, who wrote

so plaintively about the hardship on

the 1st of May, instead of waiting

until the Fall after the "crops"

came in, voted for this \$15 poll tax

But they are not fooling anybody

with their noisy sympathy for the

the other side of the line are begin-

ning to understand it, as does the

Pittsburg Post, from which we quote

The earth is frescoed with about

thousand volcanoes, quiescent or

active. Three hundred and twenty-

five of them are now in business, and

some of them pretty lively, too,

throwing out mud, ashes, lava and

other things. The volcanoes of Ice-

land never shut up shop, but keep

open all the time, and sometimes

warm up that frigid region for miles

around. As a rusher Martinique's

old Bald Head holds the world's

Several years ago a wealthy young

man in New York broke his neck

by diving and coming too soon into

contact with something hard under

the surface. Money and surgical

skill did for him what money and

legal skill sometimes do for some

other fellows -saved his neck. He

enjoys his meals now and a few

As a prisoner of State it is said

that Aguinaldo lives in stately style.

He lives in a "palace" as big as the

White House in Washington, which

costs \$500 a month rent, has his

family with him, his family physi-

cian, a retinue of servants, a car-

riage, and an allowance to provide

The late Amos J. Cummings, who

had been in Congress for a number

of years, left only \$1,500. But he

was a Democratic Congressman, and

besides that an ex-newspaper man

who had contracted the professional

habit of never having much money.

Lewis Lewark, of Currituck coun-

A Beaumont, Texas, dispatch says

the U. S. Steel Company will erect

\$5,000,000 steel plant in that town,

which will employ 2,000 persons.

Cheap fuel is the reason. With oil

and iron Beaumont ought to hum.

Hon. Mike Herbert, the new

British Minister to this country,

says he likes Americans. He likes

one of them anyway, Miss Wilson,

The Roosevelt family does not

people do. Miss Alice wants to go

up in Dumont's air ship, and her

father wants to gown in the subma-

According to the Census Bureau

there are 2,850 establishments in

this country engaged in the manu-

facture of alcoholic liquors, with an

A Missouri editor informs his

readers that the hinges of hell have

invested capital of \$457,674,087.

food for the establishment.

without trying.

of New York.

rine boat, the Adder.

break, smoked a cigar.

record.

frage in the South.

MR. JOSEPH H. McLAURIN.

Perished in Plames of His Own Home Remains Brought to Wilmington and Will Be Interred in Oakdale Cemetery This Morning.

Through the medium of a private telegram from Capt. R. P. Paddison to relatives in the city, news of the tragic death of Mr. Joseph H. Mc-Laurin reached many friends in Wilmington yesterday. He was burned to death in his home at Point Caswell, N. C., where he lived alone, early yesterday morning and the charred remains were taken from the ruins of the building a few hours later.

Occurring so early in the morning, the origin of the fire is unknown and just the manner in which the deceased came to his death is entirely theo

The remains were brought to the city on the A. & Y. train last night at 7:30 o'clock and will be laid to rest after funeral services by Dr. A. D. McClure and Dr. J. M. Wells from the lodge in Oakdale cemetery this morning at 9:30 o'clock. Mr. John D. Beatty, a nephew of the deceased, and Mr. Luke Glisson. a life-long friend, accompanied the remains to Wilmington.

Joseph H. McLaurin was born Fayetteville, N. C. in 1822 and was therefore in the 80th year of his age. He removed to Wilmington when a very young man and resided here until about 10 years ago, when seeking relaxation from a very active life. he removed to Point Caswell and began farming. For a greater portion of his life he was at different times cashier and teller in the various banks of Wilmington which have existed since the war. He was a descendant ard said: themselves in a very inconsistent derstand it and intelligent people on of the sturdy Scotch settlers of the

Cape Fear and his father was a native of Edinburgh, Scotland. Mr. Mc-Laurin's circle of friends was limited by his own preference to few, but those this sensible editorial, which hits who knew him best found in him an agreeable companion and a safe counsellor. He was a devoted student all his life and a deep thinker. He sometimes contributed to the public prints under the nom du plume "Quercus" and was brilliant with the pen as well as an entertaining conversationalist.

> He leaves to mourn their loss, a brother, Mr. John McLaurin, for 20 years editor of the North Carolina Presbyterian; a sister, Mrs. M. Cronly, of Wilmington, a son and four daughters: Mr. Loch. McLaurin, Mrs. Jas. H. Taylor, Miss Kate B. Mc-Laurin, of Wilmington; Mrs. Walter Coney, of Savannah, Ga., and Mrs. Hayes Beatty, of Beatty's Bridge, tion as to what would be his future

North Carolina. One of the theories regarding Mr. McLaurin's death is that while up very early in the morning as was his custon, he was seized with heart trouble and fell over in bed with a lamp which was found by his side and which was seen moving about in the house by a small boy half an hour before the community was startled to see the whole building in flames. The redays ago, for the first time since the mains were not beyond recognizance when found and the body was dressed. Further particulars are given in the following correspondence of the STAR from Point Caswell.

POINT CASWELL, N. C., June 7 .-This morning about 4:30 o'clock the home of Mr. Jos. H. McLaurin was discovered to be on fire. Citizens soon collected, but as the house was completely enveloped in flames nothing could be done but protect outside property. Mr. McLaurin has lived all alone since he has been here and was a great reader. Frequently he would lie in bed and fall asleep with his lamp on a box at his bedside. The impression is that this was the case las night and that the lamp exploded or the bedclothes caught on fire. Death must have ensued very quickly as no one heard an outcry. After the fire had sufficiently subsided the charred remains were carefully taken by friends, under the direction of his nephew, and placed in a neat receptacle, and taken to Wilmington to be placed in a casket for burial to-The whole community is greatly

ty, promises to be a man of weight shocked at the terrible tragedy. Mr in his community, and the com-McLaurin had many warm friends munity will not have to wait long. here who took a great interest in him. He is now 17 years old, weighs 600 pounds and is growing right along

RURAL DELIVERY MAIL BOXES. Penalty for Destroying or Abstracting

Mail from Them is Severe. The following paragraph is taken

from the Postoffice Appropriation

"Whoever shall hereafter wilfully or maliciously injure, tear down, or destroy any letter box or other recepacle established by order of the Postmaster General or approved or designated by him for the receipt or delivery of mail matter on any rural free delivery route, or shall break or open the same, or wilfully or any mail matter deposited therein, or shall wilfully take or steal such matter from or out of such letter box or other receptacle, or shall wilfully aid or assist in any of the aforementioned offences, shall for every such offence, mind a few ups and downs as some be punished by a fine of not more than \$1,000, or by imprisonment for not more than three years."

Brunswick County Convention.

Southport Standard: "The Democratic convention for the election of delegates to State, Congressional, Sen-atorial and Judicial conventions will meet at Lockwood's Folly on the 26th of June. The Democratic County Convention will meet September 16th. At a meeting of the Democratic Ex-ecutive Committee on Monday last, of which M. O. Guthrie is chairman, S. J. Stanley, Jesse Lancaster and J. D. Galloway were selected to be recom-mended for the County Election Board."

LUMBER BLAZE AT CARY. PUTS THE CREDIT WHERE THE CREDIT BELONGS.

[Special Star Telegram.]

ing a million feet of lumber was burn-

ed at Cary, four miles west of Raleigh

warped for a hundred yards or more so

that trains cannot pass. Both roads

are transferring passengers. The fire started at noon and it will be some-

time to-morrow morning before the

J. T. Corbett, ex-Postmaster at Se

ma, N. C., was convicted in the Fed-

eral Court to-day of embezzling seven

registered packages while postmaster.

The verdict was rendered on the eve

of adjournment and no sentence was

pronounced but will be to-morrow. The

imit is one to five years at hard labor.

NEGRO KILLED NEAR MOUNT OLIVE

Son of Well-to-do Cotored Man Struck

the Head by Frank Quinn.

[Special Star Correspondence.]

ibility upon Frank Quinn.

containing 99 eggs.

SPIRITS TURPENTINE.

- Winston Journal: J. J. Mack,

who lives about four miles west of

town, found a guinea's nest yesterday

- Salisbury Sun: Mr. S.

Wood, of this city, has a rooster that

s game sure enough. Mr. Wood was

viciously attacked by his gameship

Wednesday and his head was badly

scratched by the bird. An artery was

cut and the scalp so badly torn that

- Fayetteville Observer: Mr.

Ralph Maultsby tells us of a horrible

that he was standing near the trestle

at Hope Mills flagging for Capt. Mur-

ray, the section boss, talking to a well

Bennettsville, when a work train ap-

proached, and he warned the boy to

He says that his head was severed from

the body, which was cut almost into

- Asheville Citizen: The big Bald

Mountain, which lies in both the States

peen sold. The purchaser is the J. M.

Buck Lumber Company and the con-

sideration is \$25,000. The Big Bald

belonged to the estate of R. B. John-

ston and is situated partly in Yancey

county, N. C., and partly in Union

county, Tennessee, and lies about 35 miles north of Asheville. The moun-

tain contains about 5,000 acres and is

said to comprise about twelve million

feet of hardwood timber. The top of

the mountain is covered with green

meadow land. The Bald is one of the

principal mountain peaks in the Alle-

ghany range. It has an altitude of

- Sanford Express: It is said

that a force of about 150 men are at

work on the big dam for the Cape

Fear Power Company at Buckhorn,

and that within a few days this force

will be increased to 300. They expect

to have the plant ready for operation

by the first of the fall, —— It is said that the peach crop of J. Van Lindley

at Southern Pines will amount to

about ten thousand crates this season.

With good prices this means a nice

sum of money in Mr. Van Lindley's

pocket. It is said that the finest

peaches put on the New York market

are raised at Southern Pines. -

Another lot of pigeons was liberated for the Calumet Homing Club, of East

Baltimore, at this place, last Sunday

morning by Mr. J. W. Cunningham.

They had scarcely cleared the baskets

when they took flight in the direction

of Baltimore. They are now shipped to

this place and liberated every few

- Raleigh News and Observer

The coroner's jury Thursday in the

case of Mr. J. M. Dennis, of Holly

Springs, decided that Mr. Dennis came

to his death by natural causes. This

of course releases from custody Chas. Horton and Bettie Judd, colored, who

were held in jail here yesterday to

await the result of the inquest. The

autopsy was performed by the county

coroner, Dr.T. M. Dodd, and Dr. Judd

Mr. Dennis was found dead in his yard

last Sunday, and heart failure was at

first assigned as the cause of death.

Later suspicion was directed toward

Chas. Horton, as he had been heard to

make threatening remarks about Mr.

Dennis, and persons who saw Mr. Den-

nis said there were marks of violence

upon him. Accordingly the body was

exhumed and examined with the above

result-Thursday in Holly Springs

township, near Stevens' store, occurred

another sudden death. Mr. William

Powell, a farmer about sixty years old,

was plonghing in his field, and when

was found with the lines wrapped

around his hand, lying with his feet

toward the plow, and the horse still at-

fallen back dead without a struggle.

tached. Mr. Powell had evidently

A FATAL APPRAY.

One Man Killed and Two Men Badly

Wounded Near Erwin, Tenn.

By Telegraph to the Morning Star.

die. Masters has fled.

of North Carolina and Tennessee,

the physicians had to clip his hair.

ored race, at Newbern,

RALEIGH, N. C., June 5.—The plant

Large Mill Burned Near Raleigh Yesterday-A Postmaster Convicted-Congressman Bellamy's Efforts Ignored New Incorporations. in Matter of Upper Cape Fear Improvements-A Statement

A special from Washington, D. C., of the Cary Lumber Company, includ-

to the Raleigh Post says: WASHINGTON, June 6.—The resolutions adopted at the citizens' meeting in Fayetteville, which extended thanks to various persons for securing the appropriation for the Upper Cape Fear, were read with a good deal of interest here. The fact that the name of Congressman Bellamy was omitted occasloned much more comment than did the resolutions, for he has been the unceasing friend of this appropris-

One member of the delegation said: "Though Senator James K. Jones, of Arkansas, comes in for an expression of thanks, those who have followed the Cape Fear appropriation for months are unable to understand what part he took in this movement. He has been out in Arkansas most of the time, engaged in a futile attempt at re-

As soon as Mr. Burton of Ohio, chairman of the House Committee on Rivers and Harbors, was informed of the contents of the resolutions he decided to make a statement about the matter. Mr. Burton said:

"In more than a score of instances have been asked to write a letter or give out an interview relating to the amount of interest shown by members and others in some river and harbor improvement, and I have been asked to express an opinion as to who is entitled to credit for what legislation was obtained. In almost every instance I have refused to write a letter or give an interview; but these resolutions are so grossly unjust to Sena-tor Pritchard and Mr. Bellamy that it is only fair for me to speak. These are the two persons, the one in the Senate, the other in the House, who were constant and untiring in advocating the improvement of the Upper Cape Fear river, and to them especialy credit is due.

Senator Pritchard laughingly remark ed after reading the resolutions. 'There is only one suggestion that I could make and that is an amendment thank ing the balance of the world and mankind generally. Speaking seriously, Senator Pritch

"I do not care about the matter one prised that Congressman Bellamy name was not mentioned in the resolu tion. He rendered me more valuable service in my efforts to secure the adoption of my amendment for the Upper Cape Fear improvement than the remainder of the delegation com-

GOOD NEWS FOR UPPER CAPE FEAR.

Government Will Keep Up Improvement Savs Mr. Burton to Mr. Bellamy.

A special to the Raleigh Post from

"The river and harbor bill has run the gauntlet of both Houses and only awaits the signature of the President to become a law. When Chairman Burton brought the report of the confenrs up in the House, Congressman Bellamy confronted him with a direct quespolicy with reference to the upper Cape Fear improvement. He wanted to know of the chairman whether or not he regarded the \$50,000 appropria tion for the Cape Fear as committing the government to the maintenance of the scheme for the improvement of the river. Mr. Burton replied that he did so regard it, and, of course, the answer was entirely satisfactory. The Cape Fear project has certainly had a friend in Congressman Bellamy, who has worked earnestly and intelligently in behalf of the project for months and months. His interest and enthusiasm for the measure won it many supporters from other States."

Veterans, Brave and True, They Are,

A reporter had the pleasure yesterday of looking at a picture of two veterans of the Civil War, well known throughout this section-Col. S. D. Thruston and Capt. James I. Metts, both of the Third N. C. Infantry. Those veterans met at the recent reunion at Dallas, Tex., and Capt. Metts was a guest of Col. Thruston, who is now a resident of the Texas metropolis. They had their pictures taken together by a step-daughter of Col. Thruston and good ones they are, too. Col. Thruston is well remembered for his gallantry in the late conflict. He was for many years, before and after the war a prominent physician of Southport but is now one of the leadng professional men of Dallas. Capt. Jno. T. Rankin, himself a veteran devoted to the cause, in remarking upon the picture of Capt. Metts and Col. Thruston yesterday said with his characteristic good humor: "Well, they are very fair pictures of 'old boys' but not as I recollected them when a boy."

Long Distance Telephone. Florence Times: "The long distance elephone line building by the Southern Bell Telephone Company from Columbia to Darlington has reached Sumter. The construction gangs are covering the ground at the rate of two miles a day, and it is expected that by July 1st Florence can get long distance connection with all the important

Notrh Carolina Peaches.

Mr. C. O. Alexander, the popular salesman at Capt. J. L. Boatwright's, received two crates of very fine peach es from the farm of his uncle. Dr. L. L. Alexander, of Topsail Sound, yes terday evening. They are the first North Carolina peaches to reach the market and will no doubt find ready

The Grops in Robeson,

The "Horse Editor" who is "rusticating" at Magton writes the agricultural poet that the general crop prospect in that section is pronounced magnificent. Corn, cotton, watermelons and cantaloupes are specially mentioned as promising great yields.

BEACH TROLLEY LINE

Work Being Pushed on Conversion of Seacoast Road Into Electric System.

THE CITY STREET CARS, TOO.

this afternoon, loss over \$50,000, insurance \$10,000. The tracks of both the Seaboard and Southern main lines were Setting of Poles, Bonding the Track and Providing Other Equipment for the Wrightsville Line Going Merrily On-Other News.

track is ready for traffic to resume. One has only to take a run down Five new corporations were charterthe Seacoast road nowadays to see that ed to-day, among them, being the Columbus Telephone Company for Chadbourn, with a capital of \$5,000, the fond dream of many Wilmington people is about to be realized-the Hyman Supply Company, of Newbern, capital \$15,000; Purves Indusconnection of the city and beach by an up-to-date trolley system. trial and Training school for the Co A double row of poles from Ninth

and Princess street to a point about a mile beyond Masonboro crossing, extends down the track and a large force of linemen, under Mr. Ike King, is pushing the work toward the beach as fast as possible. Extra trains at night are rushing poles and new cross ties along the right of way, 20 cars of the first named and 15 of ties having already been sent out. Last Saturday alone Superintendent of Construction J. P. Jones loaded in six hours a special train of nine cars, dispatched it and unloaded the cars the following morn-MOUNT OLIVE, N. C., July 7 .- At ing. Mr. Jones has general direction of the outside work and is doing great work toward getting the line in shape by July 15th. He has had experience in Buffalo, Baltimore,

Quinnsborough, near this place, Friday night about dark, Charles Quinn, a son of James C. Quinn, a well-to do colored man of the neighborhood, became involved in a quarrel with an-Yonkers and other Northern cities other negro named Frank Quinn, with and the public may rely on an up-tothe result that the first named was struck over the head and killed. A date job. On the left hand side going to the jury of inquest placed the responsi-

beach are the high, double crossarmed poles that are to carry the threephase 10,000 volt alternating current which will next Summer run the 200 K. W. rotary Converter at Wrightsville sub station. This in turn feeds direct current to 'the rails and trolley wires at a pressure of 550 volts. For this season, however, a storage battery located in the old depot at Wrightsville will give the pressure and be charged in turn by the trolley wire and heavy feeders, which are carried on the shorter poles with the single cross-arms, located on the south side of the track. Between the poles will be carried the span wires from which the trolley wire is suspended, which fur-

sight he witnessed yesterday. He says nishes current to the cars. In addition to the pole setting a large force is also at work under dressed young man, apparently about 8 years of age, who said he came from Messrs. J. T. Dodley and J. C. Long retimbering and regauging the track from its junction with the A. C. L. get off the track. The latter paid no This work is now completed about attention to him, however, and was half a mile beyond Delgado. struck, knocked down and run over.

Three thousand new ties will be put in;and the gauge drawn in to 4 ft. 8 1-2 in. to correspond with the guage of the city street railway system.

The most tedious work now going on is the "bonding" or making the electrical connection between the the rails. In order to complete this work by the time everything else is finished two drilling machines are employed night and day.

At the Orange street power station preparations are being made to install a 200 K. W. railway generator to assist the two dynamos now in use, and Chief Engineer W. W. Thigpen expects to be "right there with the goods" when word comes to turn on the current for the beach cars.

For the city street railway system most of the open cars are now being overhauled at the Orange street station. New trucks are being put in by competent machinists, and spick and span new electric head lights are being placed on the cars. Chief Conductor Sheehan is already puttin' on airs over the improvements, and the public may look for something refreshing in the new cars.

BOERS SURRENDERING.

Commandoes in Cape Colony Readily Ad cede to the Peace Terms. By Cable to the Morning Star

CAPE Town, June 7.—The surrender of more than 1,500 Boers has already been reported, covering various points. Commandant Fouche brought into Cradock, Cape Colony, his commando, consisting of thirty-six Free Staters and 219 rebels. Fouche is ill. Commandant Conroy's men, on learing that peace had been conthrew their hats in the air, heered for King Edward and sang God Save the King.' These incidents dissipate the fear ex-

pressed that the Cape Colony commandoes would refuse to accede to the

General Christian DeWet is per onally superintending the surrender of the Boers in the Vredefort, Orange River Colony district.

PRETORIA, June 7.-The arrangements for the disposal of the surrendered burghers are almost complete. No large concentration will be allowed in the outlying districts, owing to the difficulty which might arise in feeding the people. Those burghers who can subsist upon their far be given ten days rations and allowed to begin their new life immediately. Those who are unable to so subsist will be permitted to join their families in the camps and remain there until their homes are once more made habitable. All others will be divided among the various camps.

The outlook for a final, satisfactory settlement, without friction, grows brighter the more one sees of the surrendered burghers and talks with

ERWIN, TENN., June 7 .- One man The statement of the associated was killed and two men were badly banks for the week ending to-day shows: Loans, \$884,266,900; decrease, wounded in a shooting affray near here. Abe Masters and J. R. Lover had a fight and John F. Tinker, a half-\$1,325,700. Deposits, \$945,896,500; decrease, \$2,429,900; circulation, \$31,brother of Masters, became involved in the difficulty. Masters and Tinker renewed the difficulty later and Tinker 466,400; increase, \$221,100; legal tenders, \$75,544,100, decrease, \$929,900; specie, \$172,215,600; decrease, \$321,was shot through the body and in-stantly killed, Masters and Lover were seriously wounded. Lover may 000; reserve, \$247,759,700; decrease, \$1,250,900; reserve required, \$236,474,-125; decrease, \$607,475; surplus, \$11,-285,575; decrease, \$643,425.

THE COAL MINERS' STRIKE

One or Two Men Said to Have Been Killed, But No Particulars Given. Officials Say the Strike is Not of a Serious Nature.

By Telegraph to the Morning Star. BLUEFIELD, W. Va., June 7 .- Out of the forty-odd operations in the Pocahontas fields two-thirds of the miners are out. Some operations shut down and some are working very few men. Nearly all of the mines here are shipping some coal to-day, but in most instances it is coal that was loaded on mine cars yesterday or before the men came out. The miners seem much better organized on the North Fork branch and Summons Creek than in any other part of the field, and on these branches there are practically

no men at work. The agitators are fighting hard to make it a total shut out in the entire region and it is stated by persons familiar with the situation that but few men will be at work on Tuesday next. The headquarters of the strikers are at Keystone, and it is reported they are marching through the field, with bands of music, cheering the striking miners and encouraging others to come out.

Men Leaving Mines. ROANOKE, VA, June 7.—J. C. Rawn, chief engineer of the Pocahontas Coal and Coke Company, with headquar-ters at Barnwell, W. Va., arrived here to-day. When he left the fields last night there was no demonstration of any kind among the miners no buying of guns or drilling or anything to show that the struggle was on, except that the men were leaving the mines with their tools, vowing that they had quit work. Still others were buying blast ing powder and afew were having their tools sharpened, as though they meant to continue work.

A special to-night from Bluefield, W. Va., to the Boanoke Times says that about sixty per cent of the miners in the Flat Top field went out to-day: seventy-five men went out at 6 o'clock at Pecahontas and others are expected to quit to-night. One or two men are said to have been killed in the Pocahontas fields to-day, but beyond the bare statement that one or two lives had been lost, no particulars are given. It is expected that 75 per cent. of those on strike will return to work by the middle of next week, and but little trouble is anticipated. A special to the Times from Poca-

went out at that place to-day, and that in the other mines in that field threefourths of the men are out. So far no disturbances have been reported and hundreds of the strikers are leaving the fields this evening.

Statements of Officials. ROANOKE, VA, June 7 .- According to advices received by the Norfolk and

Western railway, ten mines closed down in the Pocahontas district today. It is estimated that about 500 men are on strike. Other mines are crippled and only working with reduced force. The miners of the Tug river field, which is on the West Virginia side, have struck. Several thousand men are employed in these fields The Norfolk and Western officials say they do not consider the strike in their territory to be of a serious nature, and expect that the operations now tied-up will resume within ten days. Coal is being loaded in the fields to-day, but the shipments are not up to the average number of cars. "Mother" Jones, the famous Pennsylvania strike agitator, is on the ground urging the men to quit work and stay out until their

Officials of the Norfolk and West ern claim that thirty mines in the Pocahontas fields are in operation with reduced force. The Clinch Valley and Thacker fields, they say, are working

demands are granted

Ordered to Vacate.

ELKHORN, W. Va., June 7 .- Operators posted notices at Elkhorn today that all the strikers living in the companies' houses must vacate the property at once. Trouble is feared. COOPERS, W. Va., June 7 .- Five hundred or more striking miners passed through here from the Flat Top field. They are going West and say they will not return.

A Bank Boss Shot, KEYSTONE, W. VA., June 7-Thouands of striking miners are in Key stone to-night and there is much revelry. A mass meeting was held, a num-ber of officials of the United Mine Workers being present. It was decided to again invite the operators to meet with them at Bramwell, June 11th. It is doubtful if the operators will heed the invitation. At the Crane Creek mines to-day James De-Wees, a bank boss, was shot and killed while walking up the mountain toward the pit mouth with twenty or more non-union Italian miners. More trouble is expected.

HUNTINGTON, W. VA., June 7 .- 1 skirmish between the mine officials and speakers is reported at Keystone W. Va. The mine boss was killed No names or particulars are available. BLUEFIELD, W. VA., June 7.-Seventy-five per cent. of the Flat Top coal miners are on strike. The strike leaders insist that by Tuesday next they will have accomplished a complete tie Contrary to expectations the

Fug river district went out to a man and not a ton of coal is reported a having been loaded there to-day. So far no lawlessness has been reported but the railroad company, as well as the operators, are taking every precaution to protect property, and they sent into the field a number of men to guard bridges and tunnels.

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LAKE STEAMERS IN COLLISION

One of the Vessele Ent Down and Nine of the Crew Were Drowned Both of the Steamers Sank.

By Telegraph to the Morning Star. DULUTH. MINN., June 7,-The whaleback steamer Thomas Wilson, Captain Cameron, was cut almost in two by the steamer George G. Hadley, Captain Fitzgerald, a half mile south of the Duluth canal to day, and nine menwent down. They were mostly men of the night crew, who had not time to get out of their bunks before the ves

The Wilson was coming toward the canal and the Hadley going out, both loaded. Just before reaching the canal and when about opposite the Wilson, the Hadley was given orders by a tug to go to Superior. Immediately she sheered off for the

Superior entry and crashed directly

into the Wilson. The Wilson went down so quickly that it did not seem possible to save a life. One man on the Wilson threw life-preservers to those who had jumped into the water. The crew of the Hadley also threw out preservers. As the Wilson went down the members of the crew rushed to the stern, jumping overboard as fast asithey could free themselves from their clothing. The vessel did not float a minute after the collision. During this interval she seemed supported entirely by the Hadley's prow which plates. was sticking through her The two men who jumped last were seen struggling near the hull just before the plunge and could not be seen afterwards. The Hadley's steering apparatus seemed to be parayzed after the collision. She swung around in a circle several times and seemed utterly helpless. In a few noments it was apparent that the Hadley was going down and the crew on it could be seen stripping themselves and lowering boats. Some of them got into the boats, and when the Hadley sank to within a foot of her deck she seemed to cease sinking for a few moments and the men clambered back on the boat. The race of the life-saving crew and tugs for the wreck was thrilling. The Hadley would not have made the shore had it not been for the tugs. The life-saving crew picked up the men in the water. The Hadley had a hard run for shore and a moment after her bow went to the bottom, her stern began to settle and finally went down.

ANTHRACITE COAL MINERS.

No Change in the Strike Situation-J. Pierpont Morgan Hanged in Effigy at Wilkesbarre, Pa.

By Telegraph to the Morning Star. WILKESBARRE, June 7.-There was absolutely no change in the anthracite coal miners' strike to-day, which has now rounded out its fourth week. Miners and mine operators had noth ing to say and altogether it was dull throughout this valley. there, however, men who were on their way to or from work were assaulted, but none of them was seriously hurt. Considerable interest was manifested in the strike of the West Virginia soft coal miners which was inaugurated to-day. The anthracite mine workers hope the strike in that State will eventually have some good effect on their own struggle. President Mitchell, who is directing the soft coal suspension from here, had nothing to give out regarding the West Virginia trouble. He said he had received only meagre information

from there and in the absence of more definite news he preferred not to say anything. The home of a mine worker named Jacob Musol, at Kuschkepatch, a small foreign settlement in the lower part of Plymouth, was destroyed by fire to-day and there are conflicting stories affoat as to the origin of the blaze. Mrs. Musol claims that because her husband did not quit work the strikers and their sympathizers set her house on fire. This is denied by the strikers, who say that the building was fired either by her children playing

The hanging in effigy of J. Pierpont Morgan in one of the streets of South Wilkesbarre by a crowd of men and boys was the only incident to mar the stillness of the Wyoming valley to-day. After the effigy had been hung the crowd cheered and pelted the object with stones until the police came along and dispersed the several hundred persons that made up the throng.

with matches or by the upsetting of a

LIBERAL DEMOCRATIC PARTY.

Convention in New York-State Ticket Nominated-Kansas City Platform Reaffirmed-Hill Denounced.

By Telegraph to the Morning Star.

NEW YORK, June 7 .- A State convention of the Liberal Democratic party, which endorses the Chicago and Kansas City platforms, was held here to-day to nominate a State ticket. The nominations will secure a place on the official ballot by petition, as the party had no ticket in the field at the last

Jay W. Forrest, of Albany, devoted much of his speech to David B. Hill. Among other things he said: "It is time for real Democrats to raise their voices when we can read in all the newspapers from one end of the State to the other that the reorganization of the Democratic forces in the State has been placed in the hands of the men who in 1896 had not a word to say for the greatest banner-bearer the Democratic party has had for forty years. Democracy never needed reorganization until David B. Hill came into it.

The platform reaffirms the Kansas City platform and condemns David B. Edgar L. Ryder, a West Chester county attorney, was nominated for

ANOTHER NEGRO LYNCHED.

Implicated in the Murder of Mrs. W. W. Jones in Colleton County, S. C. By Telegraph to the Merning Star.

WALTERBORO, S. C., June 7.—Cain Ford, one of the four negroes implicated in the murder of Railroad Section Master W. W. Jones' wife, at New Road, in Colleton county, on April 21st last, and who from the day after the commission of the crime has been confined in Walterboro jail, was lynched about two o'clock this

morning. Last Wednesday Jim Black, the chief actor in the tragedy, was taken from Savannah to the scene of his crime. He confessed his guilt and named three others who aided him in the commission of the crime. He was hanged to a telegraph pole in front of Jones' place and his body riddled with bullets. When the news of the lynching and of Black's confession reached Walterboro, Sheriff Owens, appre-hensive of trouble, endeavored to send Ford to the State penitentiary but his deputies were twice overpow-ered en route to the depot and Ford was tied to a pine tree and shot to death.