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ADVERTISING SCHEDULE. Single Copy 1 cent. 10 Copies 10 cents. 100 Copies 1 dollar.

NO MIDSUMMER MADNESS. Mr. Bryan thinks the Democratic party is idiotic enough to go before the country again on a platform favoring the free and unlimited coinage of silver at the ratio of 16 to 1.

THE MORNING STAR was a staunch supporter of Mr. Bryan in both his presidential campaigns, because he was the nominee (once without opposition) of the Democratic party.

But we have had enough of a candidate who in two consecutive campaigns has carried the banner of his party to defeat, and who, not satisfied with that, now aspires to the honor of naming the man who must lead the Democratic army in 1904.

Mr. Bryan is a man of unquestioned ability and, notwithstanding his waning influence, he is a factor to be reckoned with in making up the platform and ticket for 1904.

But the Democratic party will not recognize Mr. Bryan as its dictator when the national convention meets in 1904. It will nominate a candidate and adopt a platform fairly representative of living issues.

THE RACE ISSUE IN POLITICS. New Orleans Picayune: The reduction of the representation in Congress of the Southern States, in revenge for their disfranchisement of the ignorant and shiftless negroes, is going to be one of the planks in the National Republican platform in 1904.

"Ohio was the first State with soil forever free from the stain of slavery. Pledged by the great creative ordinance of 1787 to the fundamental principles of civil and religious liberty and bound thereby to forever remain a part of the United States of America," Ohio was foremost in the war to preserve the inalienable rights of inalienable States.

This policy is a legacy from President Roosevelt. He it was who revived the dormant and disused issue of race equality. It is being taken up by all the political clergy throughout the Northern States, and they will force it on the politicians and people as they did in the period that began with the war in Kansas in the fifties, and culminated in the war of the sixties of the last century.

Frank Leslie's Popular Monthly for July is fully up to its usual high standard. Both the letter-press and the illustrations are attractive. At \$1.00 per year this is one of the cheapest magazines in the country.

Address, Frank Leslie Publishing House, 141 Fifth Avenue, New York.

We are told that seven women were carried on the pay rolls of the Washington post-office as "cleaners." They never worked; there was no work for them to do.

An exchange ask: "Is there a maner man living than the one who buys whiskey with the money earned by his wife?" Oh! yes. It's the fellow who does all that and then goes home and assaults his wife with a beer bottle.

"The fear of another anthracite coal strike has happily passed away," says the Philadelphia Press. Thanks, awfully. But that monthly increase of ten cents per ton comes around with the regularity and pertinacity of the bill collector.

We are glad to see that the Bank of England has reduced its rate of discount from 3 1/2 to 3 per cent. We can now get all the money we want, giving roller stocks and other undigested securities as collateral.

Isn't it about time now to throw the first shovel of dirt for another railroad to Southport? Seems that one of those periodical attacks is about due.

The white people of Eastern North Carolina are opposed to "compulsory education," as it is termed. They are paying too much for negro education now.

The fashion of thanking Judges for being "upright and impartial" in other words, for doing their duty—is becoming awfully common.

The News and Courier says "history is going up." What? Has the half-horse had been abandoned thus early?

It is remarkable that some paragrapher has not called the June bride a "June-Sweetener."

REV. E. W. GAMBLE HONORED. Prominent Tarboro Rector Will Leave for Selma, Ala.—A Presentation.

SEVERE HAIL STORMS IN NASH. Entire Destruction of Cotton and Tobacco Crops Reported from Nashville.

Rocky Mount Band Chosen. Capt. J. Van B. Metts, of Wilmington, adjutant of the Second Regiment North Carolina National Guard, has named the Rocky Mount Cornet Band as the official band of the regiment.

Clyde to Increase Rates. It is announced that beginning with the steamer which sails from Wilmington July 4th, the Clyde Line will advance its freight rates between New York and Wilmington from 10 to 20 per cent.

Mr. McDougall's Condition. Mr. J. H. McDougall, who was severely burned in the explosion at the Wilmington Iron Works, was much better last night at the hospital, though he is not yet out of danger.

Senator Simmons is notified that a civil service examination for cadet in the revenue cutter service will be held at Raleigh, Wilmington and Charlotte, July 29th, 30th and 31st.

Second Crop Berries. Special from Norfolk: "The second crop of strawberries is ripening here. R. S. Cromwell, of Norfolk county, picked twenty crates of berries from his fields, which he says are the finest of the season."

Licenses was issued yesterday for the marriage of Miss Minnie S. Williams and Mr. Fulton W. H. Benton, both of Wilmington.

JAMES M. M'GOWAN, A Well Known and Highly Respected Citizen of New Hanover Died Saturday.

FUNERAL WAS HELD SUNDAY. Death the Result of Chronic Bronchitis. Deceased a Prominent Secret Order Man and a Justice of the Peace. Passed Away Suddenly.

The community was saddened and shocked Saturday at the announcement that Capt. James M. McGowan, a well known citizen and justice of the peace of the county, had passed away at 4:30 A. M. at his home in this city.

DR. RUSSELL BELLAMY. Through His Instrumentality Manhattan Will Have New Hospital.—The Donor.

POPULAR YOUNG RAILROAD MAN. Travelling Auditor James Sinclair Receives Important Promotion to 2nd Division.

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AN EXPERT IN VITICULTURE. Mr. Husmann, of Department of Agriculture, Thinks Possibility of Grape Culture Great in This Section.

Mr. Geo. C. Husmann, an expert in viticulture of the U. S. Department of Agriculture, arrived in the city yesterday on official business.

Mr. Husmann is an enthusiastic admirer of the famous North Carolina scuppernon and expressed surprise that people do not regard it more seriously as a money crop.

COLUMBUS OUTLAW CAPTURED. H. B. Register and son, Abel Register, the white men of Columbus county, implicated by confession of Cross Edmondson in the horrible murder, on the night of March 29th, of Jesse Sole, white, and Jim Staley, colored, in the same county, are now languishing behind prison bars in Columbus jail.

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FURNACE EXPLOSION. Mr. J. H. McDougall, Head Moulder at the Wilmington Iron Works, Severely Injured.

WAS BLOWN TO THE ROOF. Molten Metal, Dropped into Cold Water by Accident, Caused Great Damage Thursday Morning—Fire Department Was Called Out.

Mr. Jno. H. McDougall, head moulder in the foundry of the Wilmington Iron Works, on South Front street, and a well known citizen of this city, was severely injured Thursday morning about 10:30 o'clock as the result of an explosion of a blast furnace at which he was at work with a kettle of molten brass.

Mr. McDougall was at work over the furnace with a kettle of molten brass, which he was about to remove. The vessel accidentally tilted and the metal at white heat poured into some cold water just under the furnace, causing an explosion which completely wrecked the blast and blew Mr. McDougall some distance into the air.

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SPIRITS TURPENTINE. —E. E. Caldwell, a young merchant of Gastonia, who was under indictment for retailing liquor, committed suicide by shooting himself with a gun.

—Three big cotton mills are being built in Charlotte this week. Four hundred and sixty workmen are employed in the construction of these new mills, says the Observer.

—Charlotte News: Mr. James E. Stenhouse, for many years one of the leading merchants of Charlotte, died at his home in the Ramoth section of this county last night.

—Rutherfordton special to Raleigh Post: It has just been learned that Van Bradley, a farmer at Idaho Ford, was drowned several days ago while attempting to save his cows from the same fate.

—Chatham Record: For the first time in many years a bale of cotton was sold here last Tuesday for twelve and a half cents a pound. It was the first bale sold here for some time at any price, and attracted much attention on the streets.

—Greensboro Record: Bob Ellis, a colored boy who appears to be about 26 or 28 years of age, sent a bullet into his brain this afternoon and died a few hours afterwards.

—Durham Herald: Caught almost in the very act of robbing the United States mail and a few minutes later making a full confession of his crime against the government, George Atwater, a negro employed in the Durham postoffice, is in jail under bond of \$1,000.

—Weldon News: A few days ago a prominent farmer of Halifax county was seen plowing cotton with his overcoat on, while his wife and children were sitting by a blazing fire in the house, and in the middle of June. This is no fish or snake story.

—Duplin Journal: The truckers of Calypso are making large shipments of potatoes. The yield in that trucking belt (for that's what it is), has been very good this season. In some instances 60 barrels per acre have been shipped. Mr. J. A. Shine shipped the first cucumbers on Thursday, June 11th, which sold at \$3.75 a basket.

—Kinston Free Press: Institute township, this county, claims the championship for heavy weights among young folks. Miss Tryndal, of that township, at 11 years of age weighs 250 pounds.

—Wadesboro Messenger-Intelligencer: Mr. W. L. Rose sold yesterday 7 1/2 acres of land, west of town, to Mr. J. H. Woolley, of Cherry-Tuesday. Consideration \$623.69.

—Raleigh correspondent: Senator Ward, of Plymouth, who is here, brings news of a terrible affair at the home of Mr. Whit Harrison, near that town. Two little boys went from the field to the house and one of them looked for something to eat. He found it on top of a cupboard and taking a chair got in the chair his brother took a gun and told him to get out. He went to the ground with both hands burnt and both thumbs gone.

—Asheville Citizen: Will Landreth, the fourteen-year-old boy who was burned by a live wire on the 9th at Spruce and Woodfin streets, had both arms amputated yesterday afternoon at the Mission Hospital. He was thought to be doing nicely up until Tuesday night, when he became worse. Wednesday morning he was found to have lockjaw.

—Salem special to News and Observer: An unsuccessful attempt was made this morning by an unknown negro to criminally assault Miss Jennie Robertson, the grown daughter of one of Salem's best citizens. Owing to the absence of her father and brothers Miss Robertson drove the cows to the pasture, half a mile from the house. She was fastening the gate to the pasture, when a negro man appeared and called upon her to stop. Miss Robertson began running and he would be assailed followed her until he came in sight of some houses. He then ran behind a tree. Miss Robertson hurried home and related her unpleasant experience to her mother, who at once seized her husband's hot gun and, accompanied by her daughter, went after the guilty party. They searched the woods into which he ran, but they were unable to find him. Officers with blood hounds have been out all afternoon, but they failed to catch the negro. This is the second attempt within a month near this city.

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ARRANGEMENTS MADE BY ATTORNEY GENERAL KNOX TO SECURE THE RELEASE OF THE VESSEL TO THE GOVERNMENT.

WASHINGTON, June 20.—Attorney General Knox had prepared to-day a stipulation in the nature of a bond which will be filed with Judge Grinnan, of the chancery court of Richmond, practically covering the government's interest in the Galveston.

It was learned at the Navy Department to-day that far greater interests are involved in the decision of the question of the possession of the cruiser Galveston than are represented by the actual cash value of those boats. It is regarded as absolutely essential at this stage to establish a sound precedent and to determine the question of title to war vessels under construction in order to protect the government's interest in the ownership of the Galveston and any Chastanoga built or to be built.

Further Complications. RICHMOND, VA., June 20.—In the case of creditors asking that the William B. Trigg Shiloh Island Company be adjudged a bankrupt, Judge Waddill rendered a decision to-day that the appointment of a receiver by the chancery court of the city of Richmond, December 22, 1903, was the act of bankruptcy complained of in the petition, could not be taken advantage of under the amendment of February 23, 1903.

APPLICATION MADE FOR A RECEIVER. For the U. S. Cast Iron Pipe and Foundry Company—Incorporated Three Years Ago With Capital of \$30,000,000.

By Telegram to the Morning Star. TRENTON, N. J., June 20.—Application was made in the court of chancery to-day by Andrew H. McNeal, of Burlington, N. J., for the appointment of a receiver for the United States Cast Iron Pipe and Foundry Company, which has fourteen plants at different points throughout the United States, one of which is located at Burlington.

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