

# NO ONE THREATENED HER WITH VIOLENCE

## Indianola's Postmistress Says This Herself.

### SHE LEAVES THE PLACE

#### She Declares That no Indignity Was Offered Her, but That the Sentiment Was Strongly Against Her Retaining the Office.

(By the Associated Press.)

Indianola, Miss., Jan. 5.—Mrs. Minnie Cox, the colored postmistress of this place, on account of whose resignation the government ordered the postoffice here closed, left Indianola tonight for Birmingham, Ala., accompanied by her mulatto assistant. It is now thought there is little danger of further trouble and although the sentiment of the people is against the action of the government in closing the office on account of the consequent partial paralysis of business, no violence is anticipated.

Before she left tonight Mrs. Cox made a statement in which she denied that she had been subjected to any indignities, and stated that no violence had been threatened her. She said, however, that she would not go back to the office of postmaster under any circumstances.

Her husband, who is employed in the United States railway mail service also made a statement in which he said that his wife had not been threatened, but that he had advised her to give up the place. "There is no doubt," he continued, "that there is a general sentiment here against a negro postmaster."

Today a private office was established for the distribution of mail collected by an independent messenger service from Heathman and Greenville. Both of these postoffices are being congested with mail as the result of the closing of this office. The independent office here will be maintained at the expense of citizens.

Postoffice inspectors are here checking up the accounts of the abandoned office. A large number of people publicly avowed that they would not accept the negro woman as postmistress under any circumstances, despite the inconvenience which was being suffered.

An authorized statement from the mayor said that conditions were such that he would not advise Mrs. Cox to open the postoffice. The mayor further stated that if the woman's life liberty or property were jeopardized he would wear in a sufficient number of men to afford her ample protection.

The undercurrent of excitement extends to surrounding towns. A large number of strangers are here and more are arriving by every train.

### THE SULTAN CALLS US HOGS

#### Invites Our Soldiers to Visit Him and He'll Stick Them.

(By the Associated Press.)

Washington, Jan. 5.—"Swine who eat swine" is the latest compliment tendered the American soldiers in Mindanao by the Sultan of Bacolod and the Panadungan of that place. These two Filipino "braves," of the Moro tribe, have caused the American troops no little annoyance since the occupation, by their guerrilla warfare. The following is an example of the letter received at the War Department in the last Philippine mail. It was sent to the American officers in Mindanao, bearing the imprimatur of the Sultan and the Panadungan of Bacolod:

"We want war if you do not get out of here and go back to the sea, because neither the Sultan of Bacolod nor the Panadungan want to be your friend. Within this month we want you to begin, and if you do not want it you are a lot of cowardly rascals.

"Follow our Mohammedan religion. Do not look for the Mausers, for we have them. They were captured by Bantuas and Bursing, people of the Sultan of Bacolod.

"We send our regards to the four generals and their vermin. If you do not want to go from here, come to this place and the Sultan and Panadungan will take care of you, for you are a lot of hogs that eat hogs, and in not presenting yourselves at Bacolod look out, for we shall go to fight you."

The advices show that neighbors of the Bacolod chief are quite friendly to the Americans. The Sultan of Gate having recently visited Camp Vicars.

### UNDER CAMP FIRE

#### Mrs. Tingley Tells of the Life They Lead at Point Loma

(By the Associated Press.)

San Diego, Cal., Jan. 5.—Mrs. Tingley was recalled to the stand when the trial of her action against the Los Angeles Times was resumed today, Samuel M. Shortridge, of defendant's counsel, continuing the cross-examination.

"In the reading of the evidence by the students," asked Mr. Shortridge, "were you not referred to as a teacher and compared with Confucius, Buddha and Mohammed?"

"I never heard of such a thing," replied Mrs. Tingley. "I never heard of such a thing," she said, "I never heard of such a thing."

# A. W. TOWSLEY HERE

## Rapid Rise of This Man of Broad Mental Grasp.

### The Seaboard's New Florida Limited Train Composed of Cars Which Bore Prince Henry Over This Continent.

Mr. A. W. Towsley, the newly appointed superintendent of the Second Division of the Seaboard Air Line, arrived in Raleigh Sunday and on yesterday assumed charge of the office vacated by the promotion of Major F. K. Huger to the general superintendency of the system.

Speaking of the future, Mr. Towsley said last night to a representative of the News and Observer, that he had no intention of making any changes in the personnel of this division, that work would continue in a thoroughly business-like manner and that it is his hope that all may proceed smoothly. Mr. Towsley stated that it is the desire of the management to do a great amount of work at the shops in this city, but that no material increase will be made in the force at this time.

The new superintendent of this division of the Seaboard is one of the best informed railroad men in the South. He is a native of Wisconsin, began railroading in his native State, rose rapidly and continued step by step up the ladder until after service with the Great Northern, the Norfolk and Western and other systems he became superintendent of transportation of the Santa Fe System.

When with the Santa Fe, Mr. Towsley was assistant to First Vice-President and General Manager Barr, who was at that time vice-president of the Santa Fe. Later, when Mr. Barr took charge of the management of the Seaboard, Mr. Towsley came South to accept the position of assistant to the General Manager of the Seaboard. In that capacity he has remained in Portsmouth since May, 1901, resigning that position to come to Raleigh. It is thought that no man stands higher in the estimation of Mr. Barr.

As a railroad man, Mr. Towsley is looked upon as one of the most thorough-going who have ever entered the Southern field. He was known in the general offices in Portsmouth as requiring the best that each employe had to give in the performance of duty, and individually he was known to be the hardest worker in the service of the system. Personally he is broad-minded, liberal and considerate of the men under him, and he is universally liked by those who know him best. Mr. Towsley is making his home for the present at Mrs. Willie McGee's, on Hillsboro street. Mrs. Towsley will not leave Norfolk until spring, when she will join Mr. Towsley here. Mrs. Towsley, during her life in Norfolk, has made scores of friends and admirers and is considered one of the most popular women in Norfolk society.

Mr. Henry Page, of Aberdeen, was in Raleigh yesterday, returning home in the afternoon. Mr. Page's railroad, the Aberdeen and Ashboro, which is the only line running through the important winter resort of Pinehurst, will for the next ninety days be the scene of the fiercest battle of the year to be waged by North Carolina railroad men. Pinehurst is competitive territory for the Seaboard Air Line and the Southern, and who will carry home the fifteen hundred Northern tourists is the point of dispute.

A fact which has been kept secret up to this time is the composition of the new Florida Limited trains which the Seaboard Air Line will inaugurate on the 11th inst. It is learned upon the best authority that these trains will be composed almost exclusively of the cars which were used by Prince Henry on his tour through the continent. It is asserted that no such elegant trains have traversed Southern soil on regular schedules, and that these will be truly palaces on wheels. It is stated by the Pullman Company that they own no finer equipment than is to be put into these flyers from the North and South.

Major F. K. Huger, who has been promoted to the general superintendency of the Seaboard Air Line, left yesterday for Portsmouth to take charge of his new duties. In Major Huger the Seaboard has placed in charge of the operating department one of the strongest characters in the railroad world and Raleigh regrets that the promotion requires a change of residence.

### TAX ON RUSSIAN SUGAR

#### Judge Brown Decides in Favor of a Countervailing Duty.

(By the Associated Press.)

Washington, D. C., Jan. 5.—In an opinion handed down by Justice Brown today the United States Supreme Court decided in the Downs case that the money paid by the Russian government on sugar exported is a bounty and that the collector of customs at Baltimore was justified in levying a countervailing duty on Russian sugar under the terms of the Dingley law.

In delivering the opinion of the court Justice Brown said it involved only the question as to "whether under the laws and regulations of Russia a bounty is

allowed upon the report of Sugar which subjects such sugar upon its importation into the United States to an additional duty."

It appears that free sugar which may be sold in Russia at the Normal excise of 1.75-100 roubles per pud may be exported under a permit from the excise office upon the return of a free sugar certificate with the custom house export mark, the excise then crediting the exported quantity of sugar to the free surplus of the mill, which is subject to double the tax of 1.75 roubles. Discussing this certificate Justice Brown said:

"It is not admitted in this case that a bounty equal to the value of these certificates is paid by the Russian government, and the main argument of the petitioner is addressed to the proposition that this bounty is paid, not upon exportation but upon production. The answer to this is that every bounty upon exportation must to a certain extent operate as a bounty upon production, since nothing can be exported which is not produced and hence a bounty upon exportation by creating a foreign demand stimulates an increased production to the extent of such demand. Consequently a bounty upon production operates to a certain extent as a bounty upon exportation."

### SHOOTING AT FREMONT

#### Policeman Wounds Himself Seriously While Firing at Another Man.

(Special to News and Observer.)

Goldboro, N. C., Jan. 5.—A shooting affair occurred at Fremont on Saturday night in which Policeman L. B. H. Johnson, of that town, shot himself while trying to shoot Mr. W. S. Davis, a farmer, who lives on his plantation north of Fremont, near the Wilson county line. It seems that Davis and Johnson had some trouble some time ago and the report had come to Johnson that Davis had made threats against Johnson. Davis remained away from Fremont until Saturday afternoon and that night when Johnson learned Davis was in town he went over to the bar-room in which Davis was sitting. As soon as Johnson entered the door he pulled out his pistol and began firing. The first shot struck Davis in the thigh. He jumped up and grabbed hold of the pistol. Johnson was still trying to shoot again. In the scuffle Davis succeeded in turning the muzzle of the pistol toward Johnson, who continued to pull the trigger and shot himself through the head. Johnson was sitting at the time and he shot himself the crowd searched Davis as soon as the shooting was done but no pistol could be found except the one which Johnson had in his hand. Johnson is seriously wounded, and may not recover. Davis is also wounded but not very seriously. Davis probably saved his own life by turning the pistol toward his antagonist. Johnson is a larger and stronger man than Johnson and had little difficulty in turning the direction of the pistol barrel.

Another report of the affair is that Johnson was shot in the back of the neck, and that he has other bruises on his head which were not made by pistol balls. During the excitement of the shooting it is thought that others took part in the skirmish.

The weather was very inclement last night for cooling babies out on piazzas, but the party who left the little black-haired girl baby on the piazza of Mr. Jno. H. Brown did not intend for the child to suffer and made sufficient noise to attract attention before leaving. When members of the family came to the door to see what occasioned the noise they saw something lying on the floor in front of the door. The bundle was taken up and it was found to contain a baby, which could not have been over two hours old. The child was wrapped in a piece of plain black calico. The little stranger was taken into the house and the good mother of Mr. Brown took some of her own children's clothing and made the little one as comfortable as possible. A number of people have been to pay their respects to the little stranger today to see if they could discover any traces of favor, but so far no one has been able to recognize any feature that would lead to the identity of the mother. Mr. Brown is an employe of the Goldsboro Buggy Company.

### THE EBBS CASE CONTINUES

#### Ebbs Appears Before Judge Boyd—Government not Ready With Its Testimony.

(By the Associated Press.)

Greensboro, N. C., Jan. 5.—J. N. Ebbs, former representative in the State Legislature and Republican candidate for United States Senator against Senator Simmons in 1900, who is under arrest on a charge of forgery, appeared today before Judge Boyd, who is to adjudicate the question of extradition to Mississippi. The government was not ready with its testimony and the case was continued until February 2. Mr. Ebbs was appointed special attorney for the United States in the Land Claims Department and was assigned to duty in Louisiana and Mississippi. The arrest is said to have been resultant from a disputed expense voucher.

### THEY DEMAND MORE PAY

#### One Hundred and Fifty Thousand Railroad Men Ask an Increase.

(By the Associated Press.)

Chicago, Jan. 5.—Grievance committees representing every Western railroad centering in Chicago met here today and negotiations were started for an increase in the wages of the thousand of conductors and brakemen. In all 150,000 men are interested. Similar committees met at St. Louis, St. Paul and other cities west of Chicago. The men are all members of the Order of Railway Conductors or the Brotherhood of Railway Trainmen, and have made demands in behalf of their unions of a 20 per cent. increase in wages, an eight-hour day and overtime pay.

### Judges Must Stay in Their Districts

(By the Associated Press.)

Washington, Jan. 5.—A bill restricting absence of district judges of the United States from the districts for which they are appointed was introduced today by Senator Mallory, of Florida. It provides that no district judge shall be absent for more than three days in the aggregate during any calendar month, unless he shall have first presented a petition in writing to the Chief Justice of the Supreme Court of the United States showing special reasons for a longer absence and shall have received permission therefor.

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# BATTLE OF GUATIRRE

## Crushing Defeat Inflicted on the Revolutionists.

### Venezuelan Government Troops Drive Them From the Field With a Loss of Fifty-Six Killed.

(By the Associated Press.)

Caracas, Jan. 5.—The financial panic here has been momentarily arrested by an agreement between the leading traders of Caracas, La Guaira, Valencia and Puerto Cabello, and the Bank of Venezuela. The traders have agreed to accept the banks notes in payment of all accounts. The run on the bank has ceased.

Fourteen hundred revolutionists under General Ramos and Peralosa attacked eight hundred government troops under the command of General Acosta Sunday morning at a point near Guatirre. After four hours' fighting the revolutionists abandoned the fight and the evacuation of Guatirre followed. They had 57 killed and many wounded. One of their guns was captured. A prisoner captured by the government forces is authority for the statement that the revolutionist still lack ammunition.

The activity and energy displayed by President Castro continued to surprise the foreign residents of this city. It is reported here that the leaders of the Matos movement are treating with the government.

The answers from the powers to President Castro's counter proposition in the matter of referring the Venezuelan issues to the Hague Tribunal have not yet been received here.

### FLOODS IN THE WEST

#### Gap in Northern Pacific and Great Northern Roads—Two Men Drowned.

(By the Associated Press.)

Seattle, Wash., Jan. 5.—The flood situation in the district south of Seattle does not seem to be greatly improved today. The first casualties as a result of the rising of the waters are reported from O'Brien in the Northern Pacific, between Seattle and Tacoma. There the water is six or eight feet high and last night it was rushing past the houses with the swiftness of a mountain current. Martin Cummings and F. Shaughnessy were rescuing people from second-story windows when their boat capsized and both were drowned.

Tacoma, Wash., Jan. 5.—Delayed Northern Pacific and Great Northern trains from the east, have arrived from Portland with hundreds of passengers for Seattle and other northern points. Owing to the abandonment of the Northern Pacific and Inter-Urban trains between Tacoma and Seattle, these passengers are flocking to the boats. More than a thousand people tried to board the steamer Flyer today, nearly causing a panic.

At South Prairie, Pierce county, the authorities had to blow up a large iron county bridge to break a log jam. The coal mines there are flooded. Five large bridges in this county were swept away.

### TRACK LAYING ON MILLS' ROAD

#### The Rails Having Arrived Work Begins Today—Warehouse Entered by Thieves.

(Special to the News and Observer.)

Fuquay Springs, N. C., Jan. 5.—The first three car loads of rails for the Lillington extension of the Raleigh and Cape Fear Road having arrived at Fuquay Springs, Section Master R. T. Weatherpoon with a force of hands will begin laying track today. The first rails will be laid at Fuquay. Mr. Weatherpoon estimates that with a force of fifteen hands he can put down at the rate of one mile of track every three weeks.

It is understood that three more car-loads of rails will be delivered within thirty days and that these deliveries will continue at equal periods until the contract is filled. The work of laying will proceed as rapidly now as circumstances will permit.

The railroad warehouse was broken open here on Sunday night, but the thieves secured nothing and left no trace.

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# THE CRIMINAL COURT

## Henry Young Will be Tried for His Life.

### Many Submissions and a Case on Hand When the Court Adjourns for the Day.

With Judge Henry R. Bryan, of New Bern, presiding, the term of the Criminal court of Wake county began here yesterday morning.

Judge Bryan delivered a strong and comprehensive charge, covering the points which would probably come before this court. It was a clear and able exposition of the law to the layman.

The grand jury was selected as follows: D. G. Conn, foreman; A. W. Hodges, M. C. Sorrell, D. B. Jones, W. W. Holding, J. W. Honecutt, T. C. L. Goodson, J. H. Norris, J. I. Murray, W. A. Williams, J. D. Bunn, C. M. Lewter, A. D. Ross, B. D. Bolling, C. W. Young, J. R. Ray, J. L. Britt and A. H. Shearn.

At the morning session no jury cases were tried, but the following submitted: S. J. Cooper, carrying concealed weapon, \$5 and costs; Willie Saunders, carrying concealed weapon, \$5 and costs; Willie Green, assault with deadly weapon, \$10 and costs; Willis Green, carrying concealed weapon, \$5 and costs; Lillian Daughtry, larceny, twelve months in jail with leave to hire out; William Wilson, abandonment, judgment suspended on payment of costs.

During the session the grand jury filed into the court room and presented a true bill for murder against John Young, a negro who shot another in this county on Christmas morning. The time for the trial has not been set.

In the afternoon the case of James Martin, charged with forcible trespass, was heard. Martin was indicted for taking a wagon from a driver of W. R. Dorsett, and this wagon Martin claimed was his own property. He was found not guilty.

The case of Fennor Horton charged with false pretence in the sale of a cow to R. E. Rogers, was before the court when the afternoon session closed. It is claimed that Horton guaranteed that the cow would give four gallons of milk a day, but that she gave less than two pints. On this the suit is based.

# SHE FREES THEM AND FLIES

## The Sheriff's Daughter Liberates Two Criminals and Vanishes Herself.

(By the Associated Press.)

Oneonta, Ala., Jan. 5.—Miss Eetta Aldredge, aged 22 years, daughter of the county sheriff, liberated two prisoners, Louis Gurley and Maybura Murphree during the absence of her father last night. Miss Aldredge is reported missing and notice has been sent out to neighboring towns to look for her as well as the prisoners. Gurley was charged with murder, while Murphree was under sentence for a minor offense.

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