

## PITH OF THE WEEK'S NEWS

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### OLD WORLD AND THE NEW

Political Pot Is Bubbling Furiously—News About Wars That Are Raging and Rumors About Wars to Come.

### Washington

President Taft is through with his last annual message to Congress. Attorney-General Wickham said he halted the Grand Jury inquiry into the Grand Trunk deal so as not to grant immunity to J. P. Morgan or any others concerned. In simultaneous raids the Post Office authorities caused the arrest of 173 persons in seventy-two cities on charges of misusing the mails for the promotion of race suicide. Steps were taken for the criminal prosecution of the officers and directors of the New York, New Haven and Hartford Railroad Company for conspiracy to monopolize traffic in New England.

### Personal

The report of the marriage of Raymond Belmont, second son of August Belmont, to Ethel Loraine, a show girl, was established as true by the discovery of the marriage license in Jersey City and the minister who married them. Miss Gladys Lindstedt of Greenwich, Conn., and Winthrop C. Beardsley of Auburn, N. J., each twenty-one, who met as invalids last winter at Saranac, were married at Stamford, then drove back to the bride's home to tell her parents. Mrs. Hetty Green, of New York, wealthiest woman in America, celebrated her 77th birthday by attending strictly to business. Charles William Short, Jr., of Boston and Countess Camilla Hoyos of Austria were married in London.

### Sporting

It is said that a rule to prohibit the pitcher from purposely walking a heavy hitter in order to bring a weaker hitter to the platter will be passed by the national baseball rules committee. The frequency of field goals this year has started the suggestion that the football has been equipped with a cork center. Willie Hoppe again won the 18.2 ball line billiard championship of the world in the ballroom at the Hotel Astor, New York, when he defeated Ora Morningstar of Pittsburgh. Johnny Evers, the new manager of the Chicago Cubs, has traded Tom Downey, the utility infielder, formerly with Cincinnati and Philadelphia, to the Sacramento club, of the Pacific Coast League.

### General

Peter Goslet Gerry spent \$4,958 to be elected to Congress from the second Rhode Island district. His wife contributed \$500. A northwest gale tied up navigation in Lake Superior and more than 100 vessels anchored under White Fish Point, near Sault Ste. Marie. Sidna Allen, leader of the Allen clan, which murdered five persons in Hillsville, Va., was sentenced to 15 years in the penitentiary. The axe murderer, who has killed nearly 60 persons in Louisiana and Texas, murdered a family of negroes, near Philadelphia, Mississippi. Miss Gussie Dater, of Suffern, N. Y., was burned to death when her clothes caught fire from a pile of burning leaves. The police of Chicago and Hot Springs, Ark., have "move on" orders for the four informers in the Rosen case. John R. Fanshawe, for many years secretary of the Lehigh Valley Railroad Co., died at his home near Philadelphia. The Carnegie Corporation of New York announced that it would offer future ex-presidents of the United States and their widows, unmarried, pensions of \$25,000 a year. The Appellate Division of the Supreme Court decided that the New York City speed laws have precedence over the state laws. The state laws allow 30 miles an hour, while the city allows eight miles in its limits and 15 miles on the suburbs. According to the expense accounts filed in Connecticut, the Republicans spent \$30,000 losing, while the Democrats carried the state for the first time in 20 years, and spent only \$12,000. George H. Sumner, aged 73, postmaster of Hill, N. H., died of heart failure while running his auto near that town. The machine was wrecked, severely bruising one of the passengers. With only one small county incomplete Wilson has carried Idaho with 1,100 votes more than Taft. Roosevelt ran third, 7,400 behind Taft. Governor Jann of Virginia has granted a stay of execution until Dec. 13 to Floyd Allen and his son Claude, convicted of the murder of Judge Massie at Hillsville, Va. The stay was unexpected.

The graves of more than 23,000 Confederate soldiers who died in the North during the Civil War, have been located and marked.

President Taft has approved the design for a gold medal awarded by Congress to Captain Rostron of the rescue ship Carpathia.

Charger, former President McKim's favorite riding horse, became entangled in a wire fence on a farm in Strasburg, Ohio, and was strangled.

Secretary of the Treasury MacVeagh has awarded a silver medal to Herman Victor of Omaha, Neb., for rescuing two children from the Missouri River, Dec. 27, 1904.

William Little, president of the West Side Savings Bank of Columbus, Ohio, committed suicide by hanging. He was suffering from a nervous breakdown.

The new Baptist bible has just been issued in New York. The style has been modernized. Jonah's whales have become a "great fish" and Hell the "underworld."

Marshal Henkel at Newburgh, N. Y., seized 1,200 cans of tomatoes which were said to be improperly branded, in violation of the pure food laws.

H. H. Hart of Oakland, Cal., bought an auto for \$4,500. It soon ran up an upkeep bill of \$2,000. He dropped it into the bay from a ferryboat.

J. Pierpont Morgan has presented to the Congressional Library a book containing the autograph of the signers of the Declaration of Independence.

Hunting accidents in the West have exceeded all records. In Wisconsin alone, 12 hunters have been killed and 10 seriously injured. Michigan reports many more casualties.

Jack Rose, Bridget Weber, Harry Vallon and Sam Schepps, the informers against Lieut. Becker and the gunmen in the Rosenthal murder, were released from prison in New York.

A "coon" hunting band, 150 strong, headed by United States Senator W. J. Stone, paraded the main street in Moberly, Mo., then left for Milton where his big three days' hunt was held.

Alden Soule, aged 22, is dead in Winsted, Conn., as a result of a gunshot wound in the left groin, received while hunting with a friend, Laurence Carter. The latter was not arrested.

The interior of the St. Jean Baptist Church in Lowell, Mass., was destroyed by fire. A priest and 20 firemen were overcome by smoke. The damage is estimated at \$100,000.

The flight of Anthony Janus from Omaha to New Orleans came to a sudden halt at St. Louis when his aeroplane was destroyed by an explosion. Janus was unhurt.

The election of the Rev. Dr. C. B. Silver of Topeka, Kan., as Episcopal Bishop of Kansas was disapproved by the convention of the Episcopal diocese of Albany because he is a divorced man.

Althorp Prince, arrested for the murder of Frank Bentley, cheese manufacturer of Warsaw, N. Y., whose mutilated body was found under a pile of earth, confessed to the crime. He said that Bentley was too attentive to Mrs. Prince.

District Attorney Wesley C. Dudley of Erie County, N. Y., and Chief of Police Gilson of Lackawanna went to Hickory, N. Y., to see J. Frank Hickey, indicted for the murder of little Joseph Josephs more than a year ago.

The body of Sergeant Thomas P. Conniff, who died mysteriously in the Passig River in the Philippines, was shipped from Manila to his relatives in Worcester, Mass. Conniff was formerly a famous middle distance champion runner.

J. Frank Hickey, an inmate of the Keswick Colony of Mercy, a home for inebriates near Whiting, N. J., was arrested on the charge of being the murderer of Joseph Josephs, the boy who was killed recently at Lackawanna, a suburb of Buffalo.

### Foreign

The dual title with its annual pension of \$6,000 was conferred on the family of Premier Canalejas, who was assassinated in Madrid, Nov. 12.

More than sixty lives were lost in a hurricane which did extensive damage to the western part of the island of Jamaica.

The royal Siamese navy is building two dreadnaughts, which will compare favorably with the United States battleships.

The American cruisers Montana and Tennessee arrived at Gibraltar and proceeded to Constantinople as soon as they had taken on a supply of coal.

Baron Alphonse de Rothschild of Vienna and Miss Clarice Sebag-Montefiore of London were married in the latter city, thus joining the two wealthiest Jewish families in the world.

A painting picked up in Monterey, Cal., for \$15 was sold to the English Museum for \$20,000. The painting is by the famous Danish artist, Hugh V. Pederson.

A Berlin newspaper declares that the Czarevitch is suffering from tuberculosis of the hip joint and hemophilia. If this is correct there is no hope for complete recovery.

A fier on the Canadian Pacific collided with a carload of Chinamen at a siding at Bush Lake, Sask., and 18 of the Orientals were hurt.

Believers in the practice of euthanasia will help M. Beguery, the Frenchman, who yielded to the importunities of his wife, suffering from an incurable disease and shot her to death.

A son was born to the Archduke Charles Francis Joseph and the Archduchess Sita of the house of Hapsburg at Reichenau, Austria-Hungary. The Archduke Charles is second in line of succession to the throne.

## EIGHT TRAINMEN KILLED IN WRECK

THREE OTHERS WERE VERY BADLY INJURED IN A SEABOARD SMASH-UP.

### FAST TRAINS MEET HEAD-ON

No. 84 and No. 81 Come Together Near Norlina.—No Passengers Hurt—Cause of Wreck Thought to Be Misreading of Orders.

Norlina.—Eight trainmen were killed and three badly injured near here several days ago when two Seaboard Air Line through passenger trains running between New York and Jacksonville, Fla., collided head-on. Both locomotives and three passenger cars were demolished. Further deaths and injuries were prevented by the fact that there were no passengers in the coaches demolished.

The dead: Will A. Faison, engineer, Raleigh; Chas. A. Beckham, engineer, Raleigh; Richard Gray, negro fireman, Raleigh; James Ruffian, negro fireman, Raleigh; Thomas Rogan, negro porter, Richmond, Va.; J. R. Rountree, express messenger, Jacksonville, Fla.; O. J. Priddy, express messenger, off duty, Boykin, Va.; Henry King, dead heading.

The injured: Mr. Bryant, baggage-master, badly burned about body and face; Mr. Brown, baggage-master, badly bruised; Willis Pope, negro porter, scalded about the head and neck. The wreck occurred seven miles north of here, just as train No. 81, southbound, was coming out of a long curve in a deep fill. Both trains were running at full speed and the engineer of neither could have seen the approach of the other for more than a minute before the crash.

The wreckage did not catch fire and there was no panic among the passengers. There was suffering among the passengers on account of the cold. The cause of the wreck is as yet unknown but it is believed to have resulted from a misreading of orders.

### Progressive Bills For Legislature.

It is understood that there are already in process of preparation a number of bills to be introduced in the approaching legislature and campaigns being planned for their enactment into law that will give the 1913 session a distinctly progressive atmosphere, at least, as to measures proposed, if not bills actually passed. A distinct advance in anti-trust legislation is being hinted at, a complete revision of the state election law, a general primary law for all parties, blanket commission form of government and initiative and referendum laws for cities to be optionally adopted, the application of the Torrens system of land titles and a variety of other departures.

### North Carolina New Enterprises.

The Salisbury Bank and Trust Company, chartered at \$100,000 and paid up to \$25,000, took out papers of incorporation with Thomas J. Jerome, C. L. Reams, R. L. Reams and W. E. McWhorter as incorporators. This makes the fifth bank for Salisbury. The Independent Publishing Company was given a charter to do a general publishing business in Greenville. The authorized capital is \$25,000 and paid up to \$2,000. The incorporators are S. T. Hooker, J. F. Brinkley, W. L. Rice and D. T. Spain.

### To Celebrate Knapp Memorial Day.

The Knapp Memorial Day will be observed throughout the South on Wednesday, November 27. This day is the one which many of the rural schools throughout the country will hold appropriate exercises and a great amount of good is expected to be done towards stimulating interest in the Boys' Corn Clubs and the Girls' Tomato Canning Clubs, of which Dr. Knapp was a great backer and was the founder of the work.

### Mecklenburg Drainage Commission.

There will be a meeting of the Mecklenburg drainage commission at the county court house at 11 o'clock November 29. At this gathering of the men who have the state authority to assess property for benefits derived to certain lands from the drainage work that has been done in this county, all complaints from owners of the property adjoining the drained districts will be heard. Assessments have been made on about 200 property owners on both sides of Little Sugar Creek.

### Duplin County Teachers Meet.

The recent meeting of the Duplin county teachers' association was one of the most interesting and enthusiastic ever held in this county. The attendance was large, nearly eighty-five per cent of all teachers being present. Professor Spence, of Warsaw, was chosen president, and Mr. M. H. Wooten, vice president and secretary. An elaborate and exceedingly well planned program, covering two days, was arranged for the county commencement in the spring. This was a big day for the teachers.

## GOVERNOR PARDONED TWO

States Executive Gives His Reasons For Ordering Release of Two Convicts.—Reasons Given.

Raleigh.—Governor Kitchin gave pardons to a pair of convicts, one of the executive's clemencies going to a penniless man and the other given in response to a petition signed by the trial judges and the solicitor.

Governor Kitchin gives each conditional freedom. They must be law-abiding and of good behavior. He gives a skeletal history of the case and says:

Walter Way, New Hanover county, July term, 1910. Crime, manslaughter. Sentence, five years in the state prison.

"On the recommendation of the trial judge, the solicitor and many other prominent citizens, I pardon prisoner on condition that he remain law-abiding and of good behavior."

Wess Bass, Randolph county, March, 1912. Crime, larceny. Sentence, three years on roads.

"This prisoner has developed pellagra and the county physician attending him does not think he can live much longer and recommends his pardon. On the recommendation of said physician and the chairman of the county commissioners, where he is serving his sentence, and of the clerk of the superior court where he was convicted, as well as the recommendation of the solicitor, I pardon prisoner on condition that he remain law-abiding and of good behavior."

### Fish Industry of the State.

A very important convention to North Carolina will be held at Washington on Wednesday, December 4, in the interest of the fishing industry of the state. This convention is called by the North Carolina Fisheries Association in connection with its annual meeting. One of the main features of the convention will be recommendations to the general assembly of 1913 in regard to fish legislation. It is hoped that all fishermen and oystermen who are interested in the development and perpetuation of the fishing industries of the state as well as all other citizens of the state who would like to see the conservation of this great natural resource will make it a point to attend, or at least have some representative from his section attend the convention and take part in its deliberations.

### Indict Rockingham's Commissioners.

The entire board of commissioners of Rockingham county has been indicted for failure to carry out the recommendations of the grand jury and upon instruction of Judge O. H. Allen. It seems that in Rockingham, the county commissioners have several times ignored the recommendations of the grand jury, and that in July last this body specifically ordered the building of a new county home, reporting that the present structure was a "disgrace to a civilized community." The commissioners, it is said, paid no heed to the order, with the result that Judge Allen ordered Solicitor Graves to draw presentments against every member of the board.

### Wreck on Atlantic Coast Line.

Extra Atlantic Coast Line pay train No. 38, southbound, ran into the rear of freight No. 801 near this place, in Bertie county, killing Harrison Bryant, porter on the pay train and seriously injuring Engineer Weathers of the same train. John Samuels, the fireman, is missing, and his body is believed to be buried beneath the wreckage, which locked traffic. The pay train was in charge of Conductor R. L. Cobb, who escaped unhurt. The freight engine was coupled to a car and the injured engineer was rushed to the hospital at Rocky Mount.

### Charged With Murder of McConnell.

John Tuff, about the sixth negro of this name arrested for the murder of Patrolman McConnell, was brought in from Atlanta by officers and lodged in jail at Asheville. There are now two negroes of this name, each charged with the murder of Patrolman McConnell, in the Buncombe county jail.

### Meeting of Truck and Fruit Growers.

The directors of the East Carolina Truck and Fruit Growers' Association met in Wilmington and set on foot definite plans for carrying into effect the instructions of the general meeting held here during the late summer, that this important agricultural industry be taken under the wing of the state board of agriculture to the end that the interest of the Carolina grower may be fully protected. The president was authorized to appoint a legislative committee to take the matter actively in hand.

### Medical Association Meet.

New Bern.—The Seaboard Medical association, an organization composed of about one hundred of the leading physicians in North Carolina and Virginia, will meet in this city on December 3. The last meeting was held in Virginia and at that time the Craven County Medical board extended them an invitation to come to New Bern and it was accepted. During the meeting a number of public addresses will be made by some of the doctors and also an illustrated lecture on the health of the community.

## HOME FOR WIDOWS

OF STATE CONFEDERATE VETERANS IS ASKED FOR—IT WILL COST \$10,000.

### \$5,000 a YEAR IS ASKED FOR

By Committee From the State Organization of Daughters, Three Legislators and Two Senators Who Are Pushing This Work Forward.

Rocky Mount.—In joint session the committee from the state organization of the Daughters of the Confederacy and two senators that composed a committee from the last general assembly met in a called meeting in the parlors of the Saymore club. Following this joint meeting the committee of law makers went into an executive session, lasting more than an hour. Their decision is summed up in the following recommendation that will be reported to the next general assembly: "Recommended that the general assembly build a home for the dependent widows of the Confederate soldiers and all other worthy dependent women of the Confederacy, and that at least \$10,000 be appropriated for the purpose and \$5,000 annually for the maintenance of the home, and that the location of said home be selected by a committee appointed for that purpose. After due deliberation, and after a thorough investigation in compliance with the above recommendation we herewith submit the following bill."

This motion prevailed by a vote of three to one. The bill referred to is to be drawn by Chairman of the Committee T. T. Thorne, and provides for ten incorporators, five lady members of advisory board, and the appointment by the governor of five trustees. The women who represent the Daughters of the Confederacy are Mrs. Marshal Williams, the state president of the United Daughters of the Confederacy, of Faison, Mrs. Hunter Smith of Fayetteville, and Mrs. M. O. Winstead of this city. The committee from the state senate is represented by T. T. Thorne, chairman, of this city; A. D. McGill, of Fayetteville; John Spahnour, of Morganton, and M. Leslie Davis, of Beaufort.

### Road Repairing in Guilford.

Greensboro.—County Road Superintendent J. A. Davidson has determined to start a general repair movement with a view to preserving the macadam roads of Guilford, more than 125 miles of which has been laid in the county during the past ten years. In many places the macadam is in bad shape and practically everywhere that it has been down five years it is in need of repair. Superintendent Davidson now proposes to put the entire convict force on repair work, going over all the macadam.

### Agricultural Man For Iredell.

Statesville.—A step forward, which has been taken by Iredell county, gives her a county commissioner of agriculture, who will give his whole time to instructing the farmers of the county in modern methods of agriculture and the advancement of farming interests. The crop improvement committee, of which he is chairman, has given \$1,000 for this purpose, the county has given a similar amount and the national department of agriculture has given \$700.

### The Farmer and The Fair.

Raleigh.—The state and county fair is an educational institution where instruction is picked up by observation, demonstration and comparison of products. There is no question that the fair is unequalled as a place for getting progressive farmers together and permitting them to compare notes on their several lines of progress and activity during the year. The real purpose of the fair is the education of the farmer and his family in the fundamental principles of the production of high yields of good quality at the least cost. The battle for the prices should be one of ideals and individual judgments rather than the quantities and displays.

### Much Cotton Unpicked in Hoke.

Raeford.—Although cotton picking is further advanced than at this date last year, there are several hundred bales unpicked on the farms of Hoke county.

### Tree Bears Two Crops in One Year

Lenoir.—John T. Spencer, who lives a little over a mile east of town, has a June apple tree on his place that produced two crops of well matured apples this year. June apples in November is the unusual record of this tree.

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## NEWS OF NORTH CAROLINA

Short Paragraphs of State News—That Have Been Condensed For the People of the State.

Raleigh.—Raleigh is to have a temperance convention in January. It is becoming the favorite convention city and its people are proud to welcome all who come—particularly those who gather to promote the moral welfare.

Davidson.—Dr. W. S. Rankin, secretary of the North Carolina State Board of Health, lectured here in Shearer Hall under the auspices of the Civic Club. His subject was "Community Health."

Graham.—The Methodist Episcopal church, South, at Graham, was entirely destroyed by fire. The value of the property is estimated at \$4,000. There was an insurance of \$1,500. The cause of the fire is unknown.

Asheville.—Two Asheville men, Governor-elect Locke Craig and James H. Caine, editor of the Citizen, have been elected to deliver memorial addresses on Elks memorial Sunday next month. Governor Craig will deliver the address at High Point, and Mr. Caine has been asked to deliver the address at Salisbury. Both have accepted the invitation.

Charlotte.—In order that the instructors in the county schools may be largely represented at the North Carolina Teachers' Assembly November 27-30 in Greensboro, the county board of education has made not only Thursday but Friday a holiday and is making a special effort to induce the teachers to attend. In the city schools also there will be two holidays.

Wilmington.—Already there are two avowed candidates in the field for the Wilmington postmastership—Mr. H. McL. Green, the retiring county treasurer and Mr. J. B. Mercer, a shoe dealer. Both have issued statements declaring that they will seek the appointment. Just when President Wilson will have a chance of naming a postmaster for Wilmington is problematical.

Greensboro.—The 87th annual conference of the Christian Church of North Carolina and Virginia went on record through adoption of its committee's report on reform as opposed to immorality in dress, gambling in social and other relations, cigarettes, etc. The adoption of the committee report, submitted by Rev. C. C. Pell, was the most interesting event of the day.

Greensboro.—In the carrying out of efforts to expand and exploit the local tobacco and country grain and produce market, the merchants of the city have just announced the names of farmers in this and adjoining counties to whom prizes will be awarded because of special sales made during the month of October. More than 50 farmers will receive honors of a substantial nature.

High Point.—Samuel Pierce, a young man, aged about 18 years, and employed at the Southern Chair Company, was almost instantly crushed to death when the elevator dropped upon him, caused by the tearing of the wire cable from which it was suspended. It was not known at first, that the unfortunate young man was caught when the elevator fell, and he lived only a few minutes after the accident.

Wilmington.—The still warm body of an unknown negro man was found lying beside the railroad tracks just north of the city, with his throat cut from ear to ear, by the section master in passing on his hand car. The negro evidently was murdered, but as yet the police have no clue, though it is believed that he was killed following an all-night game of cards in the woods nearby. The coroner is investigating.

Durham.—According to reports that were sent out from the state agricultural department several days ago, there were 712,469 pounds of tobacco sold on the local tobacco market during the month of October. However, an investigation of the local warehouse books show that the amount as reported was only about half of the real amount, the last account being 1,407,506. Just how the report was so badly split cannot be accounted for unless some of the warehouse reports had not reached the department until after the statement was given out.

King.—Mr. Cicero Boles, who resides three miles east of here, had his residence and practically everything in it destroyed by fire recently. His loss was about \$1,500 with no insurance. The fire started from an upstairs room.

Elizabeth City.—Elizabeth City has its most youthful blind tiger in jail, awaiting trial for dispensing booze. He is John Lowry, Jr., a young about 18 years old. He is an old offender, too, and a pretty slick one, too, having plied his vocation for a number of years, and has never been caught before.

Linnville Falls.—The old question of whether our dogs or sheep are most profitable to raise is again agitating the mountain section. Sheep men have been coming in here for several years looking for cheap mountain lands for sheep pasture.

Salisbury.—Already preparations are in making for receiving the North Carolina Press convention when it meets in this city December 11th and 12th. Mr. M. C. Quinn, is chairman of the convention committee, and no pains will be spared to give the editors the time of their lives in Salisbury.

## WINTER SESSION IS NEAR AT HAND

IN LESS THAN A WEEK CONGRESS WILL RECONVENE UNDER REPUBLICAN CONTROL.

### ARE PLANNING FOR WORK

Energetic Efforts Will be Made in Both Houses to Amend Sherman Anti-Trust Law.—Other Work That Will Be Done Also.

Washington.—Congress will reconvene in less than a week for the last short session of Republican control in National legislation. Comparative few Senators and Representatives have reached Washington but discussion has been active during the last week among those early on the scene over plans for the winter's work and prospects for the special tariff session next spring when all branches of the government pass into the hands of the Democrats.

While the vexing question of the tariff is not scheduled for consideration this winter, the three months of the short session will be crowded with legislative work. In addition to the annual grist of appropriation bills, Congress will be forced to dispose of a quantity of general and special legislative matter left pending with the adjournment of the long session in August.

During the early part of the session the house will be busy shaping appropriation bills while the Senate is disposing of the impeachment trial of Judge Robert W. Archibald of the Commerce Court, set to begin December 8.

Several important measures will be pushed for early action in the Senate, among them the resolution of Senator Works of California to limit the President to a single six-year term; the Sheppard-Kenyon bill prohibiting the shipment of liquor into prohibition states, and the vocational education bill of Senator Page of Vermont. The bill of Senator Borah creating a Department of Labor is also scheduled for early consideration.

### Medals of Honor to Men of Courage.

Washington.—Five men "of distinguished courage among men of courage," as Mr. Taft called them received formal acknowledgment for their bravery in the White House when the President presented them with medals of honor awarded for exceptional service on the battlefield. Four of them were young cavalry officers, the other an enlisted man, a sergeant. The men honored were: Capt. Archie Miller, quartermaster's department; Capt. Julien De Gault, first cavalry; First Lieut. Arthur H. Wilson, sixth cavalry; Second Lieut. John T. Kennedy, Fifth cavalry, and Sergeant Joseph Henderson, Sixth cavalry.

### New Complication Has Arisen.

Washington.—Indications that a new complication has arisen along the Mexican border were contained in a report of the war department. Two troops of the Thirteenth cavalry are alleged to have crossed the border and ridden into San Ignacio where they engaged in a fight and wounded three Mexicans, one of whom may die. The Americans were turned over to the Mexican civil authorities and are held in the Jurez jail.

### Earthquake Kills 200 People.

Mexico City.—The bodies of 200 persons killed in the earthquake recently have been recovered from the ruins of the little town of Acambay in the northern part of the state of Mexico. Delayed reports from other towns and villages indicate that the loss of life is greater than at first supposed.

### Distributing Food to Refugees.

Salonki.—The American mission is distributing food to the 8,000 Mohammedan refugees here. Smallpox has broken out among the Greeks and a quarantine has been declared against Constantinople.

### Comprehensive Retrospect.

Washington.—A comprehensive retrospect of the 16 years' regime of Secretary of Agriculture Wilson will be embodied in the annual report of the department of agriculture. The growth of the department during that period will be dwelt upon which will show that when Secretary Wilson assumed office the annual appropriation, exclusive of agricultural college funds, was approximately \$1,000,000, while the current year appropriation, including about \$750,000 for agricultural colleges aggregates \$23,000,000.

### Gompers Re-elected President A. F. L.

Rochester, N. Y.—Samuel Gompers was re-elected president of the American Federation of Labor over Max Hayes of the International Typographical Union. The vote was: Gompers, 11,974; Hayes, 5,074. It was the first time in 10 years that there had been opposition to Mr. Gompers, who has been re-elected annually since 1895. All other officers were re-elected. The convention defeated the United Mine Workers' resolution calling future elections by a referendum vote of the federation's two million members.