

LOCAL SHOWERS TONIGHT AND WEDNESDAY. LIGHT TO MODERATE VARIABLE WINDS.

Crazed or Drunken Man Slashes Throat of 2-Year Old Son at Bath Yesterday

CRIME MOST HORRIBLE IN COUNTY'S HISTORY; GREAT EXCITEMENT

John R. Gibbs, White Man Takes the Life of His Only Son By Cutting Throat With a Razor.

HE REFUSES TO STATE WHY Inquest Held and Prisoner Now in Jail For Safe Keeping.

One of the most horrible and revolting crimes in the history of Beaufort County took place at Bath, N. C., yesterday afternoon about three o'clock, when John R. Gibbs, a white man, aged about thirty, thought to be crazed from whiskey, dope or some other narcotic, slashed the throat of his two-year-old child, John Morgan Gibbs, from ear to ear. The news of the deed rapidly spread and almost immediately the town was thrown into intense excitement.

When questioned as to why he did the act the father only replied "He did it but could not give his reason just then." He was immediately placed under arrest and last night brought to the county jail in this city for safe keeping where he now is to answer the charge of a crime not equaled in this county.

It is stated that Gibbs had been drinking for several days and yesterday morning his sister, Mrs. Moore was buried. Whether the effect of her death, aided by liquor so depressed him sufficiently as to put murder in his heart is not known. Opinion in Bath is divided as to his sanity—some think that he was crazed; others hold a different opinion. However the crime was committed and a little innocent two year child lies cold in death a victim of his father.

The murderer is both a farmer and carpenter and has been a resident of Bath all his life. His wife died about one year ago leaving an only child, the victim of yesterday.

Just before the murder Gibbs was seen down the street in Bath and if he was under the influence of liquor at that time the informant of this paper can't state.

Gibbs then went to the home of his mother, Mrs. Maud Gibbs, where he resided with his child. Upon entering the home he found his little boy and sister's child playing on the floor in the sitting room. Besides the two children in the room were the rest of the family, Mrs. Maud Gibbs, his brother, Mr. Walton Gibbs and sister Miss Elizabeth Gibbs.

Gibbs called to his little boy and said: "Honey, come go with daddy, he wants you." The innocent little fellow did not respond at the first request so his father repeated it.

Accompanied by the child the father went to his bedroom. This was the last seen of the child alive. In a very few minutes Miss Elizabeth Gibbs had occasion to go to the back porch and while on the porch she heard what she thought was a scuffling noise. Thinking that her brother was trying to get his son asleep she went to the room to inform him that the little fellow had already taken his usual nap. On entering the bedroom she saw with horror the little fellow lying on the bed with throat cut from ear to ear and the bed clothing saturated with his life blood. She at once began to scream and the rest of the family rushed to the room only to see that a horrible crime had been committed. As the horror-stricken family rushed to the room the father came out of the room and not speaking a word went to the piazza and took his seat as if nothing out of the ordinary had occurred. Two washes were found in the child's throat and the bloody razor was seen lying on the washstand.

Gibbs admitted the crime and when asked why he did it said "He had a cause but wouldn't tell it then."

He was placed under arrest. Late yesterday afternoon Dr. Jack T. Nicholson, who was deputized as special coroner, held an inquest. The verdict of the jury was that John Morgan Gibbs, two-year-old came to his death at the hands of his father, John R. Gibbs. Sheriff G. E. Hicks was promptly notified of the murder and Deputy Sheriff Richard Adams went to Bath yesterday afternoon and brought the prisoner to this city for safe-keeping.

The crime has caused considerable excitement not only in the town where it was committed but throughout the entire county. Gibbs is reported to have been under the influence of liquor for some days. The consensus of opinion in this city is that he was crazy but in Bath opinion is divided as to his sanity or insanity.

The manager of the Lyric at all times tries to give his patrons the best of everything, especially the pictures where it was exhibited, but through the last evening was very creditable, and a class that are very elevating.

Now one of the main drawing cards at this place of amusement is that of the Hill Ventilating System that met with rapid success last season.

This theatre is now equipped with a motor driven blower driving one thousand cubic feet of fresh sterilized air through the house every minute, and in this way gives its patrons every assurance of air carrying no deadly germs.

The Hill ventilating system has been proved to be one of the greatest ventilating patents recorded, and it is something that can be highly appreciated by the daily patrons at the Lyric.

CLAUDE ALLEN IS FOUND GUILTY
Wytheville, Va., June 4.—After deliberating two hours and a half, the jury in the case of Claude Allen found the young man guilty of murder in the second degree for the killing of James Thornton L. Masie, and recommended that his punishment be fixed at three years in the State penitentiary at Richmond.

CLAUDE ALLEN IS FOUND GUILTY
Wytheville, Va., June 4.—After deliberating two hours and a half, the jury in the case of Claude Allen found the young man guilty of murder in the second degree for the killing of James Thornton L. Masie, and recommended that his punishment be fixed at three years in the State penitentiary at Richmond.

CLAUDE ALLEN IS FOUND GUILTY
Wytheville, Va., June 4.—After deliberating two hours and a half, the jury in the case of Claude Allen found the young man guilty of murder in the second degree for the killing of James Thornton L. Masie, and recommended that his punishment be fixed at three years in the State penitentiary at Richmond.

CLAUDE ALLEN IS FOUND GUILTY
Wytheville, Va., June 4.—After deliberating two hours and a half, the jury in the case of Claude Allen found the young man guilty of murder in the second degree for the killing of James Thornton L. Masie, and recommended that his punishment be fixed at three years in the State penitentiary at Richmond.

CLAUDE ALLEN IS FOUND GUILTY
Wytheville, Va., June 4.—After deliberating two hours and a half, the jury in the case of Claude Allen found the young man guilty of murder in the second degree for the killing of James Thornton L. Masie, and recommended that his punishment be fixed at three years in the State penitentiary at Richmond.

FAIR WEATHER FOR THIS WEEK

The coming week will be one of generally fair weather except for local scattered thunder showers, with temperatures near or above the seasonal average throughout the Southern and Eastern states and general over the middle west.

This forecast is contained in the bulletin issued by the weather bureau. "In the northwest states, the Rocky Mountain and plateau regions," the bulletin continues, "the temperatures will average low for the season."

No widespread disturbance is charged to cross the country during the week, although a barometric depression now over far northwest will move eastward along the northern border to the St. Lawrence valley by Tuesday night or Wednesday. It will be attended by showers and followed by cooler weather in the northern states east of the Rocky Mountains.

REV. R. V. HOPE PASTOR FOR ANOTHER YEAR

Rev. Robert V. Hope, pastor of the Christian Church, this city has been unanimously elected as pastor of this growing church for the ensuing year. Mr. Hope has been pastor of the church here for the past three years and is now entering upon his fourth year. During his pastorate in Washington his church has progressed along all lines. All auxiliary organizations of the church have prospered due to his indefatigable efforts as a leader and under shepherd. Mr. Hope is a preacher of force and power and always delivers the gospel as founded on the Bible, in a way to attract and instruct and large congregations always attend the services. Not only is he a preacher of ability but as a pastor and citizen he occupies a unique place in the hearts of all citizens. He knows the people and in sunshine as well as shadow is always ready to aid those in distress. The Christian Church is indeed fortunate in securing this worthy man of God for another year. He is a blessing to the community and his usefulness in Washington has been felt in all walks of life. The Christian Church under his leadership has a bright and promising future.

LYRIC THEATER INSTALLS VENTILATING SYSTEM

The manager of the Lyric at all times tries to give his patrons the best of everything, especially the pictures where it was exhibited, but through the last evening was very creditable, and a class that are very elevating.

Now one of the main drawing cards at this place of amusement is that of the Hill Ventilating System that met with rapid success last season.

This theatre is now equipped with a motor driven blower driving one thousand cubic feet of fresh sterilized air through the house every minute, and in this way gives its patrons every assurance of air carrying no deadly germs.

The Hill ventilating system has been proved to be one of the greatest ventilating patents recorded, and it is something that can be highly appreciated by the daily patrons at the Lyric.

CLAUDE ALLEN IS FOUND GUILTY
Wytheville, Va., June 4.—After deliberating two hours and a half, the jury in the case of Claude Allen found the young man guilty of murder in the second degree for the killing of James Thornton L. Masie, and recommended that his punishment be fixed at three years in the State penitentiary at Richmond.

MME. MARGUERITE STEINHEIL



Despite efforts to bring about their suppression, the reminiscences of Mme. Marguerite Steinheil have been published and have aroused much comment. Mme. Steinheil, generally referred to at the time as "the Tragio Widow," was tried in 1909 in Paris on the charge of having strangled her husband and her mother, and was acquitted. Her name had been linked with that of Felix Faure, former president of the French Republic, and with those of other prominent persons.

Reminiscences Related To The Washington Monument

Washington, D. C., June 4.—When Thomas S. Purcell, the builder of the Washington Monument, a 555-foot obelisk, which dominates the buildings at the capital, died a few days ago, the reminiscences which cling about the marble shaft were recalled to mind. Purcell was eighty-eight years old and had spent the greater part of his life in superintending the building of stone edifices.

Every year or two the monument does something to draw attention to it. For instance a freak story was circulated about the shaft, a year ago to the effect that its material was rotting. This libel gained the most extensive credence. Stories were printed by practically every newspaper in the country and photographs of decaying blocks were shown. It was claimed by some geologist that the poor quality of material which the walls of the monument are filled was going to bring about the destruction of the building. He claimed that this filler was rotting and causing the decay of the outer walls. He went so far as to point out the decayed places. There was a vast deal of newspaper talk about the matter but after a while the story was forgotten, laid on the shelf with all the other freak tales. The monument still stands.

Then when Charlie Street, a baseball player, wanted to prove how clever he was at catching the emblem of his profession he picked out the Washington monument as the proper structure to immortalize his achievement. Street sent a confederate to the top of the monument and had him to toss a baseball out one of the windows five hundred feet in the air. He caught the ball and

PYTHIAN GRAND LODGE MEETS AT WILMINGTON

The Grand Lodge of the Knights of Pythias will meet in the City of Wilmington on June 11 and will be in session several days. Dr. A. B. Wells of this city is the Deputy Grand Chancellor and Mayor Collin Harding is the representative from Fayette County. A great meeting is expected. Pythians of note from all parts of the United States will be in attendance.

Mr. E. T. McCreary a prominent business man of Washington, D. C. is here today at Richmond.

GRIGGS TWINS JOINED AT HIPS DOING WELL

Happy, Healthy and Apparently Are Gaining Strength.

Holyoke, Mass., June 4.—The twin daughters of Mr. and Mrs. John Griggs, born a week ago, with bodies joined together like the famous Siamese twins, are happy and healthy and apparently are gaining strength daily. If the Griggs twins live to grow up—and the attending physicians say there is no reason why they should not—the case will be the second authenticated instance of the kind in history.

The Siamese twins, who died in 1874 at the age of sixty-three, were joined by a fleshy ligament at the chest. The Griggs twins are joined by a fleshy ligament at the hips. The Griggs twins are joined at the hips by a ligament which physicians believe may ossify. The union of the Griggs twins is more pronounced than was that of the Siamese twins.

For a few days after the birth of the twins their separation by an operation was considered. The practical certainty that the operation proposed would result in the death of one of the twins and might prove fatal to both led to the abandonment of the idea. In case of the death of either of the twins a speedy operation would be necessary to save or attempt to save the life of the other.

Aside from the fact that they are joined at the hips, the twins have no more in common than any other twins and lead practically independent lives. Thus, one smiles while the other cries or sleeps. One twin is a little larger than the other and eats more than her sister.

The twins are the first children born to the Griggses, who have been married about a year. The parents are of Scotch-American descent and both are normal and healthy. The case is attracting much attention in medical circles. The twins are being closely watched in the City Hospital by Dr. Jean H. Celce, who has charge of the case.

SHIRT FACTORY TO START IN TOBACCO BUILDING

Active preparations are going on for the opening of the Shirt Factory in the tobacco warehouse on Pearce Street next week. Machinery is now being installed in the building and Mr. Smith, the proprietor, hopes to be in a position to begin active work within the next few days. This will be welcome news to the many employees of the factory who were thrown out of employment since the recent fire.

MOVES OFFICE

Mr. Frank H. Bryan, the latest addition to the legal profession in Washington instead of opening his office in the building opposite the Court House as first announced in the Daily News, has his office on the second floor of the Savings and Trust Company at corner of Main and Market Streets.

SECOND WEEK OF COURT

The second week of Beaufort county Superior Court began yesterday morning with Judge James Webb, of Shelby, presiding. The entire week will be devoted to the trial of civil cases.

REGULAR COMMUNICATION

There will be a regular communication of Orr lodge No. 104 A. F. & A. M. at their hall this evening at 8 o'clock. There will be work in the first degree Master Masons. Fellow Craft and apprentices are cordially invited.

DECIDED IMPROVEMENT

The improvements being made to the ball house of Messrs. Swindell and Fuller are nearing completion and are a decided improvement.

OUT AGAIN

Mr. Henry D. Bailey of Beaufort County, who has been imprisoned at the county jail, is again out on parole.

MED. SOCIETY GUESTS OF DR. AND MRS. BLOUNT

Members Of Legal Profession Also Present Last Evening From 8.30 to 12.

One of the most pleasant social functions of the many given in Washington this season was the reception last night in honor of the Beaufort County Medical Society at the home of Dr. and Mrs. John G. Blount on East Second Street from 8:30 to 12.

The attractive home was beautifully decorated in flowers and evergreens and no social function of the season carried with it more pleasure and enjoyment. A four course supper was served and all present pronounce the hosts par excellence. Those present were: Dr. P. A. Nicholson, Dr. D. T. Taylor, Dr. Joshua Taylor, Dr. John C. Rodman, Dr. H. H. Hunter, Dr. L. H. Mann, Dr. R. T. Gallagher, Dr. H. W. Carter and Dr. A. C. Hoyt. In addition to the physicians the following members of the legal profession were present:

Messrs H. S. Ward, J. D. Grimes, W. B. Rodman, Jr., H. C. Carter, Jr., E. L. Stewart, W. A. Thompson, Norwood L. Simmons, F. H. Bryan and Harry McMullen.

Before the guests departed for their homes, Mr. Norwood L. Simmons read the following pun on the doctors written by one whose name is not divulged:

I have a few remarks to make. If some one don't object: May you all have a Hardy welcome And no time to reflect.

If I say things to offend you As perhaps I will—no doubt; Just phone the Dr. Taylores' And they will cut it out.

If you are looking for a good time And real anxious for it; The quickest way to have it Is to send for Dr. Hoyt.

May the Nicholson's and Rodman's Accept without a fact; That the youngest out of four Is nothing but a "Jack."

While this a "Blount" occasion, We would like you all to leave, With Nothing left unsaid or carry Nothing up your sleeve.

Our specialist are numbered But only one for me; If Dr. Carter can do so He'll surely make you one.

And last but not least, May we all enjoy laughter; And get rid of the dark Brown taste, Before the morning after.

Now there are dentist Of whom, we have three; But I will not speak of Wells, They are too deep for me.

You can always find a Mann Wherever you may go; But let her go Gallagher, Let her go slow.

STATE CONVENTION.
The State Democratic Convention will meet in the City of Raleigh on Thursday June 6. Raleigh is making elaborate preparations for the event. Quite a number expect to attend from Washington and Beaufort County.

PEACHES ARRIVING
Large quantities of early peaches are now arriving in this market for sale.

ACCEPTS POSITION
Miss Myrtle Ecklin has accepted the position of stenographer and clerk in the City Clerk's office. She has the best wishes of all her numerous friends.

NEW ADVERTISEMENTS IN TODAY'S NEWS

J. E. Hill, Beaufort County, N. C. is here today at Richmond.