

Fair Tonight and Tomorrow—Cooler

## GREAT OPPORTUNITY LOST BY SOUTHERN GOVERNORS SAYS WM. K. VARDAMAN

Jackson, Miss., Dec. 15.—Declaring that if one of his immediate relatives had been a victim he might have "gone to extremes which would have shocked civilization to punish the brutes." United States Senator-elect William K. Vardaman, former governor of Mississippi last night commented on the mob law speech delivered by Governor Closs L. Blease of South Carolina, before the recent governors' conference at Richmond.

"Thousands of good, law-loving, home-building, God-fearing white men, both in the North and in the South, down deep in their hearts harbor a feeling toward the black rapist class akin to the sentiment expressed by Governor Blease," said Vardaman.

"I have been governor of Mississippi and was called on repeatedly to enforce the law, and I did it as no other governor before or since in the South ever has done to protect the

black despoiler of the white man's home. And yet I felt, when doing it, that if one of my loved ones had been the victim that I would have gone to extremes that would have shocked civilization to have punished the brutes.

"A splendid opportunity was lost by the governors of the Southern States in the Richmond conference," Senator Vardaman added. "To touch the unimpaired nation the truth regarding the anomalous condition existing in the South, which condition made it possible for Governor Blease to make the extraordinary speech accredited to him. Instead of commenting on and condemning the exhibition of temper manifested on the part of the South Carolina executive, it would have been better to have brushed aside his intemperate utterances with an expression of deprecation if they felt like it, and then proceeded to explain to American people the reason."

## GLARY GUN BURSTS

Sandy Hook, N. J., Dec. 15.—A new 14-inch gun burst yesterday while being tested at the Sandy Hook proving grounds. The muzzle of the gun was blown a distance of a hundred yards.

The temporary carriage of the gun was shattered. No one was injured. The gun had previously been under several tests, all of which were successful.

Attaches at the proving grounds declined to discuss the explosion pending an official inquiry. Colonel Habbitt, the commandant, went to the scene at once. It is considered remarkable that no one was hurt for there were more than a dozen men near the great gun when it blew up.

## BUSINESS HOUSES PUTTING ON A HOLIDAY AIR

The different places of business in the city are daily putting on their holiday attire and nearly every display window is showing novelties and attractions for the Yuletide season.

Shoppers are already beginning to swarm the respective stores eager to see what they have for the holiday season. Watch the Daily News advertising columns and get wise.

**NEARS COMPLETION.**  
The alteration of the store under the Hotel Nicholson is about completed. It is quite an improvement.

## VARIOUS INQUIRIES WILL FEATURE CONGRESS WEEK

Washington, Dec. 15.—Although a session of Congress is actually in progress, with a number of important legislative measures pending and proposed, nearly all the discussion in the lobbies, corridors, and cloakrooms relates to the Congress which is to come. Political speculation is hurrying the remainder of the 62nd Congress almost as if that Congress had ceased to exist.

There is an assumption in many quarters that aside from the necessary appropriation bills and other routine measures, the record of the 62nd Congress and of the Taft administration is closed. The Senate is Republican and not in a mood to help the Democratic House; while there is a strong undercurrent of sentiment among the Democrats themselves that perhaps it is just as well to let the credit for constructive work go over to the Wilson regime anyhow. In addition there is the usual disposition among politicians to put off as much as they can, whether from motives of indolence, uncertainty, or masked opposition.

But it is not altogether safe to assume that here will be nothing doing at this session. A measure which is regarded as having a good chance to get through this time is the one providing for a constitutional amendment to fix presidential terms at six years and make Presidents ineligible for a second term after the amendment shall have gone into effect. The sentiment in favor of such a change is not partisan. The proportion of Republicans influenced by it is probably as great as the proportion of Democrats. "No" is the approving sentiment among the Republicans confound to any faction of them. The one term proposition which has the right of way in the Senate is fathered by Mr. Cummins of Iowa, who voted for Roosevelt last month.

The advocates of the Jones bill for Philippine independence in 1916 are determined to bring it up and pass it at this session. It was reported favorably by the committee on Insular Affairs, of which representative W. A. Jones is chairman, at the last session, and should have been pushed to a vote then if assurances had not been given by Leader Underwood that it should be taken up at this session.

Now, in spite of the fact that the Democratic platform adopted at Hat-

timore approves the principle of the Jones bill, there is a renewal of the effort among some of the Democrats to sidetrack the measure. Representative Redford, of New York, who was not re-elected, is prominent in this movement. Mr. Jones insists that the promise which was made to him at the last session shall be honored, because his bill will die with this Congress if not acted on before March 4 and all the work will have to be done over in that event.

The chances are that the Jones bill will be brought up and passed in the House at this session, and that enough Republican members will vote for it to offset the Democratic members who will vote against it. One of the obstacles which it will have to encounter when it gets on the floor, however, will be an effort to substitute the bill of Representative Burgess of Texas providing for independence by way of the neutralization route. Mr. Burgess claims that it is better to get neutralization first than to treat it as a secondary matter, as the bill of the Insular Affairs Committee proposes.

President Taft is known to be strongly opposed to the Jones bill, and he has taken occasion in a message just sent to Congress to condemn the principle of the executive may actually help the bill by solidifying Democratic support.

## MISS MABEL DAILY AT HOME LAST EVENING

One of the most delightful social functions of the many given in Washington this season was the "Leap Year" oyster at the residence of Mr. and Mrs. J. W. Dalley on East Second street last evening when their charming and attractive daughter, Miss Mabel, entertained several of her friends.

Those present were: Miss Ella Lee Wright, Emma Harris, Justice Carmalt and Mable Dalley, Messrs. Claude Jordan, Henry Jackson, Albert Willis, Charles Wright, T. W. House and Joseph Mayo.

The evening proved to be one of pleasure and merriment and Miss Dalley was given a vote of thanks for such a pleasant evening.

## FOOT BALL GAME HERE ON XMAS DAY

Again the lovers of football will be given an opportunity to witness the best work of the season for New Bern and Washington are going to meet on the gridiron again Xmas day. Both teams will be partly composed of college stars, and both teams are confident of winning. If you will remember these teams met on last Xmas, and with the mighty von Eberstein playing fullback the locals carried off the honors, and with von Eberstein again in the game the locals are sure of winning.

The manager of the team wishes to give notice that a meeting will be called on Wednesday night at 8 o'clock at the bowling alley for the purpose of arranging the line-up and distributing signals, and he urges all the boys who wishes to take part in the game to be present if possible.

## DR. JOSH TAYLOR MADE THIRD VICE PRESIDENT

The next session of the Seaboard Medical Association goes to Norfolk, Va. In yesterday's New Bern Sun is published the paper read by Dr. H. W. Carter, of this city, in full. The title of this excellent paper was: "The Etiology Symptoms and Treatment of Nasal Polypus." No paper read before the recent annual meeting in New Bern was more enjoyed or more profitable in every way.

The next president of the society is Dr. J. E. Rawley, of Suffolk, Va.

## MYSTERY SURROUNDS THE DISCOVERY OF BODY.

Raleigh, Dec. 15.—Mystery envelops the discovery of the body of an unknown man found Saturday evening, near Caraleigh Mill village, south of the city, with a bullet hole through the heart and another through the left thigh. The body was viewed yesterday by a large number of people none of whom could identify it. Coroner Seapark communicated with the makers of a suit of clothes the man was wearing and which had the mark "John Hoggan" inside the breast pocket and found that he suit was made to measure by a Philadelphia firm, who shipped it to Knight & Bilbot, Middlesex, on the Norfolk Southern railroad, for delivery to John Hoggan, but no one there knows anything of John Hoggan.

The dead man was evidently a well-dressed mechanic and it is believed that he was shot to death and carried a long distance to the ravine where the body was found, half concealed in briars. The man appears to have been about 40 years old.

**MAKING GOOD.**  
Recorder Windley and Clerk Mallon are receiving the very highest compliments on the way they are conducting the Recorder's Court since their induction into office. Already they seem to be "old-timers."

**MOVER RESIDENCE.**  
Superintendent N. C. Newbold and family have moved to the residence on Pearce street formerly occupied by Augustus Bowers. Mr. Bowers and family will occupy the residence vacated by Superintendent Newbold.

## Taft Will Inaugurate New Canal Zone Government

Washington, Dec. 15.—President Taft's plans for a trip to Panama yesterday advanced to a point where December 15th was tentatively selected as the date of starting.

It was understood here yesterday that Mr. Taft's intention to visit the isthmus before he goes out of office was influenced partly at least by President-elect Wilson's decision not to do so.

The battleship Delaware will accompany the Arkansas on the voyage. Mrs. Taft, two aides and probably two or three friends will accompany the President on the trip. It is not thought that either of his two sons, Robert or Charles, will go.

The Mayflower Brings Baggage.  
ON Point, Va., Dec. 15.—The President's yacht Mayflower arrived in Hampton Roads yesterday morning and transferred the baggage the Taft family will require for their trip to Panama to the new dreadnought Arkansas, which conveyed by the Delaware, will sail for Key West today to await the arrival of the Presidential party.

## WORK TO START ON THE FAIR GROUNDS SOON

Work is to begin on the grounds of the Beaufort County Fair Association at once. A competent civil engineer has already been employed and is expected to arrive here within the next few days for laying out the race tracks and the grounds generally. The site as already announced is to be located on the Taylor farm on Hackney avenue. Enthusiasm is great for the success of this fair and unless something unforeseen happens the first exhibition will be one that is creditable to the county.

## DR. H. W. CARTER'S PAPER PUBLISHED IN FULL

At the recent meeting of the Seaboard Medical Association for Virginia and North Carolina Washington was honored in having Dr. Joshua Taylor elected third vice president of the association for the coming year. Dr. Taylor is one of the first physicians in the Old North State and his election is a meritorious one.

## SMALL FIRE ON WEST SECOND STREET TODAY.

There was an alarm of fire turned in this morning between nine and ten o'clock and the fire department responded promptly, the West End reel team reaching the scene first. It proved to be the residence of Mr. W. F. Wilson on West Second street. In some manner the kitchen was discovered on fire, but it was extinguished without much damage.

## MINISTERS TO DEMAND HEALTH CERTIFICATE

Nevada Episcopal Clergy Decide To Require It With Marriage License.  
Reno, Nev., Dec. 15.—The Episcopal church of the District of Nevada in convocation here today adopted a resolution pledging the clergy to require a certificate of health before performing a marriage ceremony "in any case where there is a reasonable doubt as to the fitness of either party for marriage."

As a part of the resolutions the convocation also advocated the passage of a law by the next legislature in Nevada requiring that such a certificate of health be presented to the county clerk upon application for a license to marry.

The convocation by resolution also urged that the coming legislature amend the present divorce laws so as to provide for a residence of one year before coming under jurisdiction of Nevada courts.

**FINE STOCK.**  
Mr. Howard Winfield is now showing a fine array of horses and mules at his stables on Market street. They have just arrived from Western markets and must be seen to be appreciated.

**OPERATED UPON.**  
Miss Sears, of Belhaven, was operated upon yesterday at the Washington Hospital. The operation was successful and she is getting along nicely.

## ENGLAND AND U. S. AGREE UPON TRIBUNAL

Washington, Dec. 15.—Great Britain and the United States have agreed upon the composition of the tribunal for the arbitration of pecuniary claims, as provided in the special agreement recently ratified by the two governments. Sir Charles Fitzpatrick, Chief Justice of Canada, and the British member of the North Atlantic Coast Fisheries Arbitration Tribunal at The Hague in 1910, will represent Great Britain. Chandler P. Anderson, counsellor of the Department of State, will represent the United States. These will select a third member, who will act as umpire and will be a subject of neither Great Britain nor the United States. The third member's name will be announced later.

Cecil J. B. Hart, of the British foreign office, will be chief counsel for Great Britain. Edward L. Newcombe, Canadian Deputy Minister of Justice, will be associated with him. Severo Mallet-Prevost of New York will be chief counsel for the United States. He was one of counsel in the Venezuela boundary arbitration. Robert Lansing, one of counsel for the United States in the fisheries arbitration and the Alaska boundary arbitration will be associated with him. The schedule of claims for submission to arbitration has been agreed upon. The amount claimed on both sides is altogether about \$4,000,000. It is understood that a supplemental schedule of claims is likely to be agreed upon before the tribunal meets.

The claims to be discussed require the decision of many interesting and important questions of international law. It is expected that the tribunal will meet next spring and, by agreement of the two governments, its first session will be held in Washington.

## EXCELLENT PICTURES AT LYRIC THIS EVENING

The entertainment offered at the Lyric last evening as a motion picture bill was an unusual high-class one, and something the many patrons enjoyed.

The program at the Lyric today offers another high-class bill, among them an excellent feature picture "Votes for Woman" in a two reel subject, featuring Dr. Anna Shaw and Jane Adams. The other picture takes you for a days' visit to New York's greatest park, the Zoological garden, showing the bird and animal life of today.

These pictures are not only interesting and highly entertaining, but the children will find them very educational, and points that are worthy many hard years of studying.

For real good entertainment the bill offered by this place of amusement has all indications of being a feature, for which the admission prices are 5 and 10 cents.

## ATLANTIC COAST LINE TRAIN IS DERAILED

Thomasville, Ga., Dec. 8.—An Atlantic Coast Line passenger train, running between Thomasville, Ga., and Monticello, Fla., was derailed at Wade's Crossing Ga., today as the result of a switch being open. Engineer McGee was seriously injured, but no passengers were hurt.

Railroad officials believe the switch was opened by train wreckers and detectives with bloodhounds were sent to the scene in an attempt to run down the responsible persons.

## TO CONDUCT SALE.

Mr. K. W. Cobb, of Grimesland, a representative of the Atlantic Coast Realty Company, was in the city yesterday making arrangements for a sale which his company will conduct near Pactus next Friday.

The Atlantic Coast Realty Company have conducted several sales in Washington, all of which proved successful.

## ARE IN THE CITY.

Sheriff Joe Reid and Clerk of the Superior Court C. V. W. Osborn, of Washington county, are in the city attending court today. They are witnesses in a case.

## SHOWS IMPROVEMENT.

The condition of Mrs. T. W. Phillips, who has been quite sick at her home on West Second street for some weeks, is reported to be more favorable today. This will be gratifying to her many friends.

## "CORPSE" ALIVE AND ANGRY WHEN FRIENDS CAME TO HIS FUNERAL

New York, Dec. 15.—An imposing array of taxicabs carried many of the veteran sporting men of New York city to Sheepshead Bay Monday night to attend the funeral of "Jimmie" Carroll, old time prize fighter.

"Brooklyn Jimmie" was popular for years along Broadway and when word of his death from injuries in a train accident reached Broadway all of his old admirers agreed to attend the funeral in a body.

When they reached the Carroll house they were a little surprised

that there was no corpse on the door. "Are we too late for the last and rite?" asked Jack McAuliffe, former world's lightweight champion.

The answer came promptly from the darkened hallway. It was in Jimmie Carroll's own voice, and the language was emphatic.

"I'll prove to the man who started this story of my death that I am far from dead!" cried Carroll, as the astonished men fled into his parlor. He explained that he had been injured as reported, but was now well on the road to recovery.

## NEW PUBLIC BUILDING ATTRACTIVE STRUCTURE

The construction of the new public building at the corner of Market and Second streets is progressing rapidly and as the building nears completion it becomes more attractive and pleasing to the citizens. It will certainly be a credit to Washington for its town east of Raleigh will have a more imposing public building. The very latest devices are being installed. The building will in all probability be ready for occupancy on or about March 1, 1913.

## FLOOD EGG MARKET.

Chicago, Dec. 15.—Another avalanche of cold storage eggs were thrown on the market yesterday and the price dropped from 22 to 19 cents wholesale.

This was in addition to a decline of 2 cents yesterday when more than half a million were sold at a loss to speculators. When the market opened yesterday there were 1,670,000 cases of eggs in storage. The transformation of the butter and egg board into an open market is said to have precipitated the selling.

## WEATHER FORECAST.

Washington, Dec. 15.—The coldest weather of the season and fair skies will prevail east of the Mississippi the first part of this week, while west of the river the temperatures will be moderate during the next several days, with rains in the southwest. The weather bureau's weekly bulletin issued yesterday makes these predictions, and continues:

"A disturbance will appear in the far west today and move eastward and cross the middle west about Wednesday and the eastern states Thursday or Friday. This disturbance will be preceded by rising temperatures and be attended by rains in southern and snowy in northern districts east of the Rocky mountains. General rains will likely occur in the Pacific states during the latter part of the week attending a disturbance that will appear in this region about Thursday or Friday."

## HAVE MOVED.

Mr. F. F. Cozzens and family have moved to the residence on West Second street next to the residence of Captain C. F. Leens. This residence was only recently purchased by Mr. R. E. Hodges, who is now engaged in remodeling and repairing it.

## BUYS RED CROSS SEALS.

A large, rugged-looking man stopped before a Red Cross Seal booth and looked at the display of seals with more than usual interest.

"And those will help the folks that are suffering with consumption?" he asked. He was told that was the idea.

"Then," he said, reaching down in his pocket, "here's where I get some seals. My wife," he explained, "died the year after we were married. She died of consumption. We were so happy, and I had done everything I could for her, but I didn't have much money then, and times were hard. I lost my job, too, because I got to work so late. You see, I had the housework to do, and that took a lot of time, and they doctored and finally fired me. I couldn't blame the company, but it was pretty hard. Right in the dead of winter, too! I could not get her the things I would have liked to, and there was no one to help me. Not a soul, for I was a stranger in a strange city, and so was my wife. She died in the spring," he added, as a tear trickled down his face. "And now I'm going to buy some of these seals so some other poor fellow can get help if he needs it like I needed it." And he did.

## COUNTY AUDITOR'S OFFICE IS ABOLISHED BY COMMISSIONERS

At the first meeting of the new Board of County Commissioners held last week they decided to abolish the office of auditor for the county, but recommended that an auditor could be employed for the month of December if the chairman of the board thought best.

Mr. H. L. Hodges was reappointed superintendent of the county changing at a salary of \$65 per month, with instructions to employ his guards at a salary of \$25 per month, provided they could not be employed for less.

Mr. E. G. Bright, who has been the efficient superintendent of the County Home for a number of years, was reappointed. His emolument was fixed at 30 cents per day for each inmate, the superintendent to pay his cook and nurse.

Messrs. A. J. Cox, L. A. Squires and J. G. Reagan, Jr., were named as the sanitary committee of the

## MRS. J. S. BOWERS DIES IN SCOTLAND NECK

News was received in the city last Sunday evening announcing the death of Mrs. J. S. Bowers at her home in Scotland Neck, due to pneumonia. Mrs. Bower was 35 years of age and leaves four bright and interesting children. She was a sister in law of Messrs. Augustus and Frank Bowers of this city. The funeral took place in Scotland Neck yesterday afternoon at 4 o'clock. Mr. and Mrs. Augustus Bowers and Mr. and Mrs. Bowers attended the funeral.

Mrs. Bowers' husband passed away only a few weeks previous.

## ADDITIONAL ATTORNEYS TO BE EMPLOYED.

Richmond, Va., Dec. 15.—Representatives of those seeking to procure clemency for Floyd and Claude Allen, held an important meeting yesterday after which it was announced that additional attorneys would be employed and that a public call for money would be issued.

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## COTTON MARKET.

List Cotton, 12 1-2.  
Seed Cotton, \$4.50.  
Cotton Seed, \$21.

## FOOT SALES—BUGGY, CART.

plows, cultivator, single and double barrow, planter guano distributor, etc. Will sell these articles very cheap. See C. E. Bell at the Automobile Place. 12-7-13p