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The Sunny South Gleaned and Epitomized.

All the News and Occurrences Printed Here in Condensed Form.

At Reidsville, N. C., several gentlemen were arrested for playing crack-a-luce and fined \$5 each.

A 2-year-old child of Mr. Burnett, at Gladesboro, Va., fell into a boiler of hot molasses the other day and was burned to death.

C. G. Brayton, representing a Pennsylvania syndicate, is in Columbia, S. C., examining several large properties with view of large purchases.

All efforts to revive the Young Men's Christian Association of Greenville, S. C., and to put it on a sound financial basis, have failed. The furniture of the association has been piled away, and it is likely to be a long time before it will ever be used again.

Tennessee's capitol is without water, the city of Nashville having cut off the supply, owing to the failure of the State to pay its water tax.

Ex-Judge John Collier, of Atlanta, was stricken with paralysis Wednesday morning and is dying. He is a native of North Carolina and 77 years old.

The Rome, Ga., Rolling-Mill went into the hands of a receiver Monday. They employed 300 hands. The company is in debt to the employees \$3,300. The cause of the trouble is not known.

At Greensboro, N. C., a dryman conveying a barrel of brandy into Gorrell's saloon let it get away from him and roll to the ground, where both heads fell out and all the brandy ran into the gutter, except what was gobbled up by spectators.

During 1891 about 1,200 acres of land in South Carolina were planted in tobacco and nearly 960,000 pounds of tobacco raised. This year it is estimated that 4,413 acres have been planted, and that the yield will be over 3,900,000 pounds.

George H. Allen, of Louisville, Ky., has leased for fifteen years a tract of 1,000 acres of coal lands near Norton, Va. Mr. Allen proposes a thorough development of the property, and will make arrangements for commencing work immediately. A battery of 500 coke ovens will be constructed at once and make about 500 tons of coke daily at the start.

Messrs. Egan & Friday, who recently secured the contract for completing the Charleston (S. C.) jetty, have commenced dredging, and will proceed with the work as speedily as possible.

The National Women's Christian Temperance Union convention, which has been in session at Denver, Col., adjourned Wednesday. North Carolina showed the greatest net numerical gain and received the first banner.

Henry M. Neill, the well-known statistician, estimates the cotton crop of 1892 at 7,100,000 bales, maximum, exclusive of the Texas yield of below 2,000,000 bales. He believes the crop may not reach even 7,000,000 bales.

The new city directory of Roanoke, Va., shows over 10,000 names, and the total population of the city, estimated, about 24,000. In the past two years nearly 1,500 houses have been erected, and 300 more are now under construction.

The residences average in value between \$2,500 and \$3,000. Within the corporate limits there are 3,069 residences occupied by 3,588 families.

During the past few weeks there has been unusual interest in real estate at Savannah, Ga., and it is estimated that since Sept. 1 the sales have aggregated over \$100,000.

An interesting statement as to the cost of cotton growing is made by Z. F. Foster, of Greenville, S. C., who planted six acres in the staple this year. He reckons fifty loads of stable manure, with hauling, cost \$41.50; five sacks of guano, \$11.25; hoeing, \$15.00; plowing, \$5.00; seed, \$1.00, making a total of \$123.75, or \$20.62 1/2 per acre.

From this ground the average yield has been 300, or 500 lbs. per acre, averaging \$34.00 each, or \$306, and in addition \$45.00 for seed, a total of \$351, or \$58.50 per acre, leaving a net profit of \$228.30, or \$38.05 per acre. At this rate cotton growing should be profitable, but, unfortunately, three-cent cotton is often sold for about ten cents.

Late News Items.

It is probable that Senator Castell, Spain's accomplished and eloquent prime minister, will be the orator on Ceremonial Day, when the Columbian Exposition throws its gates open to the world.

Andrew Stephens, a full cousin of Hon. Alexander H. Stephens, late Vice President of the Confederacy and last of the grandsons of Captain Alexander Stephens, who was with Braddock in his memorable march against Ft. Duquesne, died at his home in Newport Saturday.

Governor Holt has appointed Richmond Pearson, of Asheville, local vice president for North Carolina of the National League for Good Roads. Mr. Pearson will represent the State at the national convention at Washington City next month. The league was formed at Chicago week before last.

On November 14 the Carolina State Fair will open at Columbia, S. C. A number of exhibits have been promised, among them a large entry of cattle and horses, and also one by Loring Brown of the poultry for which he is so well known in the South. Arrangements have been made for five performances of Paine's "Paris, from the Empire to the Commune," in which some 300 persons will take part. Several racing purses have been subscribed, and the city merchants expect to raise another of \$1,000.

A Bullet in His Breast.

LAURENS, S. C.—A. W. Burnside, ex-Judge of Probate for this county, was found in an unconscious state in his garden in this city at 11 o'clock. A pistol wound was found in the left breast and a small pistol at his side. It has been used for some time, and in a fit of aberration of mind he inflicted the fatal wound himself.

Arrested All the Undertakers.

WICHITA, KAN.—Wichita is without an undertaker. Deputy United States marshals came from Topeka and arrested all the undertakers in town as defendants in the prosecution started by the Topeka undertaker who is not in the trust. They expect to give bond and return.

ONE THEORY.

Mamma—Now why did George Washington confess to his father that he cut down the cherry tree?
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AN ERROR MAY LOSE A STATE.

The Democratic Electoral Tickets of South Carolina Printed Wrong.

CHARLESTON, S. C.—There is danger of the loss of the vote of this State to Cleveland. It was discovered that a serious error had been made in printing the Democratic electoral ticket which would have resulted in the entire Democratic electoral vote being thrown out on account of illegal tickets. It is, the tickets have been in the hands of the commissioners of election and county committees for some time and have been partly distributed. There is a great danger. It is hard to tell what proportion of the tickets that have been sent out from the state committee headquarters are illegal. Most of those heard from are a sixteenth of an inch too long. Some too small, and some too large. The law says they must be 5 by 7 inches in size. The responsibility for such a serious error seems hard to fix. The tickets went through the hands of the executive committee.

Secretary Tompkins has ordered new tickets printed. He says he cannot tell how many of the illegal tickets have gotten into the hands of the voters, but they were all distributed a week or so ago. He states that he has sent out warning notices to each county chairman and all the commissioners of election and does not think any harm will come from it if they all act promptly and energetically. Mr. Tompkins fails to account for the error.

A Railroad Tobacco for Me!

"One of the queerest railroads anywhere in the country," said Rev. D. S. Banks, of North Ontario, "is a novel line that runs from South Ontario up to North Ontario, in San Bernardino County, California, where I live. The line is seven miles long. A span of stout mules draw the car over the road. There is nothing singular about that, but it comes in on the return trip.

"The seven miles are on a tilt all the way, although the track does not look like it. So when the car starts back the mules get on and take a ride, the car booming over the whole line by gravity. The mules enjoy it, too. They ride there in as self-satisfied a way as any other passengers, and the view seems equally charming. North Ontario, you may know, is situated at the mouth of San Antonio canyon, but there are a lot of magnificent mountains around there. One colony, for they can scarcely be called towns, is situated on the Santa Fe road and the other on the Southern Pacific. It is the seven miles of street railway that connect the two.

"The way they get the mules aboard is this: There is a little truck under the car, and it is pulled out, becoming an adjunct to the regular passenger car. The mules are loaded on the truck and the intelligent animals make a start for it and step up and on. It is extremely amusing the way they do it, and the way they enjoy this ride, and they are great favorites with the people."—San Francisco Examiner.

A decided novelty is on view at the Royal Aquarium, Westminster, in connection with the exhibition of the National Chrysanthemum Society. For the first time in history flowers from New Zealand have been imported in ice, and the experiment has proved a complete success. In the antipodes the culture of the chrysanthemum has awakened a good deal of interest. There April corresponds with the English chrysanthemum month of November; but, until this year, the growers here have had no means of accurately judging the merits of the plants reared in our Australian colonies. It occurred to Mr. Eastland, a gentleman living at Wellington, to take a few of his finest flowers to the meat refrigerating works. They were placed in tin canisters, filled with water and frozen. The tins were on a recent Wednesday at the Royal Aquarium and found to contain each a solid block of transparent ice, in the middle of which, embedded as it were, in pure crystal, was a beautiful bloom, perfect in shape and color, and, as experts declared, with the finest and most customarily exhibited in England.—London Public Opinion.

Snails as an Article of Diet.

Upwards of 100,000 pounds of snails are eaten every day by the residents of the grey French capital, the snail market being the busiest industrial mart in Paris. One "snailery" in the Province of Dijon yields its proprietor \$1400 per year. At this place they are carefully reared in snail gardens and fed on an aromatic herb which gives them a fine flavor. Many Swiss cantons also have large snail gardens and depend chiefly on the people of Paris for a market. Snails are also used as an article of food in Austria, Spain and Italy as well as in Egypt and the other countries on the Mediterranean's southern shore. Hygienists claim that they are very nutritive, containing not less than seventeen per cent. of nitrogenous matter.—St. Louis Republic.

A Well-Known Cotton Buyer Wrong.

NEW ORLEANS, LA.—Thomas A. Gleason, cotton buyer, has been arrested charged with obtaining money, estimated at \$25,000, from the National Bank of this city by means of forged press receipts for cotton and fraudulent policies of insurance upon the same. He was arraigned upon two charges. Mr. Gleason has been in the cotton business here for the last fifteen years, and is well known to cotton men throughout the country.

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"Lutetia," the ancient name of Paris, means, in effect, "mudtown," the city, when the Romans found it, being composed chiefly of mud-built houses.

TELEGRAPHIC BRIEFS.

Latest News of America and Other Continents.

A Resumé of the Happenings From All Parts of the World.

The Belgian Chamber of Deputies at Brussels rejected the proposition to grant universal suffrage.

The Coney Island Athletic Club offers a purse of \$35,000 to Bob Fitzsimmons to fight Jim Hall next April.

The British government launched the first-class battleship *Revenge* at the Armstrong yard.

Furniture and wreckage, picked up on North Island, confirms the news of the loss of the steamer *Gilcher*.

Horatius Harris, a Homestead striker, killed himself Tuesday, owing to despondency over the condition of affairs.

John Lyons, of Cambridge, Mass., is alive with a broken neck. He was drunk and fell from a wagon, striking on his head.

Lieut. Frederick Schwatka, of Arctic explorations fame, committed suicide at Portland, Oregon, last Wednesday.

The Hudson county, N. J., grand jury indicted 54 colored and 100 white men for false registration.

At Vinogara, in Austria, a cry that the tower was collapsing caused a panic in a church, during which 25 people were trampled to death.

The Northumberland miners in England have voted to accept a 5 per cent. reduction of wages instead of going on a strike.

Geo. J. Wheat, an engineer on the Panhandle Railroad, was struck by a train at Pittsburgh Thursday morning and instantly killed.

A gale swept over St. John's, N. F., Wednesday, causing widespread destruction and the loss of a schooner with a crew of four men.

Ripple and Whalen, two soldiers at Fort Brown, Texas, fought over a woman. Ripple killed Whalen and then took his own life.

In an interview at Indianapolis Attorney General Miller confirmed the report that he will soon retire from the Cabinet.

The Fall River, Mass., manufacturers yesterday agreed to increase the wages of weavers to 21 cents a cut—practically a 7 per cent. advance.

The report of the American Cotton Oil Company, submitted at the annual meeting in New York, will show net profits of \$2,000,000 against \$1,322,994 in 1891; \$775,000 was expended in sinking, and \$225,000 covered into the repairs fund.

At the coming session of the British Parliament Joseph Chamberlain will introduce a bill providing that miners shall not work more than forty-eight hours a week. The bill will, however, contain a provision for local exemptions, where the miners so desire.

THE PRESIDENT'S GRATITUDE.

A Feeling Acknowledgment of the People's Sympathy.

WASHINGTON, D. C.—The President made public the following card in response to the innumerable letters and telegrams of condolence and sympathy received by him during the past few weeks:

"The expressions of sympathy with me and with my family in our great sorrow, from individuals, from societies, from church conventions, from public meetings, from political clubs and committees of all parties, and, indeed, from all our people, have been so tender and so full of respect and love of Mrs. Harrison, that I reluctantly abandon the purpose of making a personal acknowledgment of each. We are grateful, very grateful, for this cup of good will and for your prayerful intercessions. May God give to each of you in every trial that grace and strength which you have asked for us."

Set a Hyena's Broken Leg.

CLARKSVILLE, TENN.—The hazardous task of entering a den of hyenas to attend a wounded wild animal was performed by Veterinary Surgeon Stanton. Two hyenas belonging to Sells & Ruff's circus engaged in a fierce fight, and before separated one of them had broken the other's leg in two places. Dr. Stanton was called and entered the hyena cage while the beasts were howling hideously, tied the wounded animal with a rope, set the broken limb and escaped unhurt. Several hundred persons watched the operation with eager eyes, expecting every moment to see the surgeon eaten alive.

Confession Extorted.

GRAHAM, N. C.—A crowd of masked men, supposed to number more than fifty, went to the jail in this place Tuesday night and took therefrom J. S. Sewell, who is in jail under suspicion of knowing something about the murder of J. F. Matthews. He was carried over on the hill west of the town, a rope having been placed around his neck, was thrown over a 100 ft. wall, and under these circumstances was asked to tell what he knew about the killing of Matthews. What he said or confessed we do not know, as the jailer was advised to keep his own counsel. After getting what they could out of the prisoner they returned him to jail.

Beat His Little Six-Year-Old Daughter to Death.

COLUMBIA, S. C.—Dorsey Goodin, of Timmonsville, deliberately beat his seven-year-old stepdaughter to death Saturday. He whipped the child with a large leather strap, having an iron buckle at the end, for twenty-five minutes, and then picking the little girl up, hurled her to the floor. She died shortly afterwards. Goodin was arrested and, in spite of threats of lynching, has been lodged in the Florence jail.

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THE REALM OF FASHION.

WHAT TO WEAR AND HOW THEY MAKE IT.

The Time For Capes—Be Careful! Avoid Giving a Darwinian Suggestion.



HERE we are again at the time for capes, and a modish one is shown, back and front, in these pictures. It is a double cape with embroidery trimmings. The model was in gray cloth with trimmings of black velvet and ribbons. The double cape is pointed at the back and goes down to the edge of the pelierne, diminishing in breadth. The V has a double collar, quilted and sewn back onto the U, which is fastened in front. The edge of the cape is ornamented by a ruche of scalloped cloth. The collars are edged with black velvet. The cloth V is trimmed with velvet ornaments which are seen on. You will observe that it has no dangling ribbons. That is a whim already by gone. It is doubtful if under any circumstances the fashion of a brace of ribbons



or a long rope of beads depending from the point of the bodice in the back, is graceful. Possibly, when the ribbon or bead rope floats off on the descending wave of the train it looks well, but when the train is held up and close around the knees, and, when, as often happens, the rope of beads escapes and hangs alone and forlorn from the prominent drapery, when it floats all by itself in the breeze, and the observer getting a profile view of the wearer, sees, oh,

A New Orleans Opera House Burned. NEW ORLEANS, LA.—The Grand Opera House, valued at \$2,000,000, was destroyed by fire at an early hour. The building was insured for \$500,000. Only through the work of the fire department was a terrible conflagration avoided. Mrs. Metz and son were badly burned.

Terrible Brazilian Spiders.

Among the latest arrivals at the insect house at the London Zoological Gardens are a couple of large Brazilian spiders, each of which is accommodated in a separate apartment. This isolation is necessary, for fear of misunderstandings which would very probably arise were they able to see each other otherwise than darkly through intervening glass. Even if they proved to be opposite sexes, the sotted passion would not be a sufficiently restraining influence; for the female spider is apt to love her mate so well that she can, and does often eat him. These are the celebrated bird-eating spiders of Merien, whose stories, unlike many travelers' tales, have in this instance proved true. The spiders are not provided with birds to eat at the Zoo. They have to content themselves with cock-roaches and an occasional new born mouse, upon which one of them made a hearty meal recently.—London Telegraph.

Cooking by Electricity.

Cooking by electricity is recommended because as the heat generated goes direct to the purpose for which it is required, so that none is wasted, and consequently the current, with proper contrivances, is as cheap as gas. A polished copper kettle in which the water is being boiled by electricity looks pretty on the tea-table and interesting; but it is a good examining question to ask, says the English Mechanic, how many units of heat are required to boil a quart of water from fifty degrees Fahrenheit, and what is the cost of those units from coal, gas and electricity respectively. It would not be surprising to find a suggestion made in some quarters to use electricity to generate steam for driving the dynamos, because then there would not be any heat wasted up the chimney.

He Thought Out Loud.

The late Duke of Cambridge was in the habit of thinking out loud, so to speak, and there were times when his audible expression of opinions was at least inopportune. It is related of him by a London journal that during divine service, whenever the rector said, "Let us pray," His Royal Highness would answer in a voice audible throughout the church, "Aye, to be sure, why not?" Once at the opera, after the Duke and his wife had been seated for some time, he called out in a tone that reached from pit to dome, "Why, I declare, there are not half a dozen pretty girls in the house—not half a dozen, not half a dozen."—Detroit Free Press.

A CARELESS SUITOR.

CLARA—Did you have anything extraordinary happen at the seashore last summer?
MAUDE—Oh, yes; one man kept me waiting three days for an engagement ring.
CLARA—Dear me! What was the cause of the delay?
MAUDE—He ran out of them before he knew it, and had to send to New York for another installment.—[Cloak Review.]

SCIENTIFIC AND INDUSTRIAL.

A doctor has launched the theory that the best method of inducing a flow of thought is to lay the head flat on the table.

Dr. David D. Stewart, of Jefferson Medical College, Philadelphia, claims to have discovered that hydropathol is a cure for cholera.

There are ten places of the earth, distant from each other 300 miles and upwards, and yet none of the ten has either latitude or longitude.

Londoners seriously discuss the advantages of placing a school of crocodiles in the Thames, to act as scavengers, and thus purify the water.

Carl Vogt, the celebrated German anatomist, is responsible for the theory that small-headed idiots are a retrograde movement toward the monkey type.

A post-mortem examination of the brain of a Missouri pauper showed that it weighed 144 ounces, or more than three times the weight of the normal brain.

A microphone device has been invented by a Frenchman which will reveal the approach of distant vessels by making audible the noise produced by the motion of their propellers.

The latest cure for obesity is to partake of only a single dish at a meal. This, it is said, will in a few weeks reduce the weight of the most obese person to a normal condition.

If a man who weighs 163 pounds were proportionately as strong as a fly, he would be able to push along level ground a weight equal to 131 tons.

Chemical action formed a stone in the stomach of La Marquette, the famous hunter-jumping horse of Paris. He died, and the stone, a ball nearly eight inches in diameter, is in the museum of a Parisian veterinary.

It is suggested that the muscular contraction to which the corpses of cholera victims are subject might give a clue to the real nature of the disease. Tense twitches have led to the delusion that many patients have been buried alive.

Aside from the honey stored by the busy bee, the Rhode Island Experiment Station expresses the belief that the influence bees and insects exert in the proper fertilization of the flowers of fruits and vegetables is of far greater importance than is generally allowed.

Fossil remains of the huge animals that inhabited the plains of Eastern Oregon hundreds of years ago are found in the placer mine above Prairie City. A huge tooth several inches across the crown was picked up a few days ago, while early in the summer the immense skull of some ancient species of animal was found near the same place.

The color of certain shrimps and crabs and also the color of their eggs are known to vary greatly with the surroundings. Those living in green sponges are much larger, lay vastly more eggs, which are also a little larger, and the shrimps are green or yellow, and the large claws are always orange red, while those of the brown sponges are red, blue or brown.

For all kinds of metals mix half a pint of sweet oil with half a gallon of turpentine; stir into this powdered rotten stone till of the consistency of cream; use in the ordinary way. For tin, of three parts of water put one ounce of nitric acid, two ounces of emery powder and eight ounces of powdered pumice stone; mix with water and use with a brush, letting the mixture dry on the article to be cleaned; then polish with leather.

An Ancient Saxon Supper.

The supper that was served in the hall of Cedric the Saxon, as described by Scott in "Ivanhoe," is a little larger, and taken of by the Saxon preceptor, fair Lady Rowena, and the haughty Turgan, we dare say compared very well with the ordinary fare enjoyed by those of the middle and higher classes in the Twelfth Century. "Swine's flesh, dressed in several modes, appeared on the lower part of the board, as also that of fowls, deer, goats and hares, and a variety kinds of fish, together with huge loaves and cakes of bread, and sundry confections made of fruits and honey. The smaller sorts of wild fowl, of which there was abundance, were not served up in platters, but brought in upon small wooden spits or broaches, and offered by the pages and domestics, who bore them to each guest in succession, who cut from them such a portion as he pleased. Beside each person of rank was placed a goblet of silver; the lower board was accommodated with large drinking horns."—New York Observer.

A Novel Match.

A novel match is being made in Sweden. It is in the form of a tape of paraffined paper, with lighting points at regular intervals, and a protecting metal cover. As a piece of the paper is drawn out it ignites, burning slowly and evenly. The metal cases may be made in various designs, and when a roll of paper has been used a new one can be inserted.—Trenton (N. J.) American.

Pain For Door Work.

A useful paint for iron doors, and board fences is made by adding six quarts of water to four pounds of fresh lime. This is mixed when properly slacked with an equal quantity of linseed oil, not boiled, and sifted wood ashes to make a soft gray color. It may be reduced with water if too thick. If darker color is desired, add brown umber or raw sienna to make the desired shade.—New York Times.

Some ostriches attain the age of 100 years. Imported breeders are worth from \$500 to \$1000. Domestic birds bring \$200 for five years of age; four years, \$200; yearlings, \$100; six months chicks, \$50. The eggs bring \$15 per dozen. The older birds are good roasters, and will travel at the rate of twenty-six miles per hour.