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Methodist Church.—Rev. E. C. Sell, Pastor. Services first Sunday night, and fourth Sunday morning and night. Prayer meeting every Wednesday night. Sunday school every Sunday morning at 10 o'clock, G. K. Grantham Superintendent.

Baptist Church.—Rev. L. R. Carroll, pastor. Services every second Sunday morning and night. Prayer meeting every Thursday night. Sunday school every Sunday morning. R. G. Taylor Superintendent.

Presbyterian Church.—Rev. A. M. Hassel, pastor. Services first and fifth Sunday morning and night. Sunday school every Sunday morning. M. L. Wade Superintendent.

Disciples Church.—Rev. I. W. Rogers, pastor. Services every third Sunday morning and night. Christian Endeavor Society every Sunday night. Sunday school every Sunday morning at 10 o'clock. M. H. Holiday Supt.

Free Will Baptist Church.—Elder R. C. Brock, pastor. Services every second Sunday morning and night.

Primitive Baptist.—Church on Broad street. Elder W. G. Turner, pastor. Regular services on the third Sabbath morning, and Saturday before, in each month at 11 o'clock. Elder P. D. Goble of Wilson, editor of Zion's Standard, preaches at this church on the fourth Sunday evening in each month at 7 1/2 o'clock. Everybody is invited to attend these services.

Young Men's Union.—Prayer meeting every Friday evening at 7 o'clock and Friday night at 10 o'clock. All are cordially invited to attend these services. An invitation is extended to the visitors.

LODGES. Jackson Lodge, No. 115, I. O. O. F. Lodge on over J. D. Barnes' store. Regular meeting every Monday night. L. H. Lee, N. G.; H. Sexton, V. G.; G. K. Grantham, Secretary. All Old Fellows are cordially invited to attend.

COMMISSIONERS. E. Grantham, J. D. Thornton, H. Parker, F. Young.

PROFESSIONAL CARDS. E. W. POU, Attorney-at-Law. SMITHFIELD, N. C.

STATE NEWS.

ITEMS OF NEWS GATHERED FROM ALL PARTS OF THE STATE.

Halifax county has over 20 prisoners in jail.

Frank Pierce, thirteen years of age, while riding on the steps of a railroad car at Salisbury Thursday night was thrown off and the train ran over him severing his head from the body.

A six legged cow is the property of M. Friedland of Forsythe county. The animal has been shipped to Newbern and is on exhibition at the fair there this week.

Willis Lee, a white man living in Edgemore county, has been convicted of the murder of a negro named Henry Stephens and has been sentenced to be hanged on Thursday, March 25th.

There are according to a report of the State Bureau of Labor for 1896 three hundred and three newspapers published in North Carolina—a gain of seventy over the year 1895. There are 227 weeklies and 23 dailies. Of the number 143 are Democratic, 45 Republican, 19 Populist and 38 independent.

We understand that the directors of the Atlantic and North Carolina Railroad, at their recent meeting in Goldsboro, declared a dividend of 1 per cent., which makes 3 per cent. this year. The treasury of Lenoir county will be helped out \$500 by this dividend. We learn that plans have been made and that the contract is ready to be let to build a waiting room and ticket office for the Atlantic and North Carolina Railroad on the opposite side of Queen street from the depot, 18x40 feet.—Kinston Free Press.

The interest in tobacco has lost none of its vigor and the planters are very enthusiastic on the subject, many of the planters have their seed beds completed and many others are making extensive preparations in that line. The acreage in each crop runs from 1 to 2 acres. One enterprising farmer will have upwards of 50 acres on one plantation another 30 and 20 acres. Enough acreage is secured to make the warehouse a success financially, about 700 acres in sight.—Newbern Journal.

Last Thursday Charles Moore went to the Page House and asked for a room. He at once went to bed. The porter went to his room several times to see if he needed anything and finally he drove him away and told him not to go again. Friday evening he went to the bureau and placing his arm on it severed, with a razor, those leading arteries just above the hand. He again went to bed but held his arm so the blood could run out on the floor. When death came he fell off on the floor, the fall being heard down stairs. This was the first any person knew of the affair. He had been a first-class engineer but had been discharged and was out of employment on account of drunkenness.—Some tramps boarded a through freight train at Selma Tuesday and when the conductor made them get off they threw sticks and stones at the train and one of them shot into it with a revolver. All of them submitted to arrest except two. One of these escaped and the other was shot and crippled the ball taking effect in his hip.—Smithfield Herald.

The Pie Counter Brigade.

When the time came to meet, Each man was in his seat And ready to greet, Any proposition to trade. After boodle intent, Peal-mell and bell bent, To Raleigh they went. The Pie Counter Brigade. Each ready to flap, To Radnor to Pop, Whichever was on top. Was the game that they played. Skinner led the minority Butler led the majority, The devil the whole posse nority Of the Pie Counter Brigade.

They caucused and adjourned To seal misdeeds then returned, And swore they'd be durned If they ever betrayed, Or ever went back On their brother in black Who stood to the rack When they needed their aid. And the tale that is told, That many votes were sold For Mark Hanna's gold, Is sad to relate, And makes us regret That such a bad set Should ever have met To disgrace the Old North State.

For this blot on the fame Of Carolina's fair name, There is no one to blame But this Re-pop-lican crowd, With Grant's profanity, And Person's insanity, Old Wayne's lost her vanity, And is no longer proud. —J. M. H. in Goldsboro Argus.

A NORTH CAROLINA KING.

Two or three years ago a young North Carolinian named Hobbes went to New York, resided there for some time, met a young lady with whom he fell in love, the passion was reciprocated, and the twain became engaged. Hobbes' source of income was somewhat precarious and not what he deemed satisfactory upon which to commence house-keeping and he determined to seek his fortune. After vowing eternal constancy he set sail for Europe and in course of time from there he brought up in Australia.

He there procured a position on a local paper and in his profession displayed so much enterprise that his employers in course of time sent him to investigate the slave trade in the Indian Ocean.

The vessel on which he sailed was wrecked and every soul on board except himself was drowned. He was found insensible on a coral reef by a party of cannibal islanders who took him prisoner and he was reserved to be served at a state dinner.

The daughter of the King, a dusky but comely maiden sought his liberty at her father's hands and used such arguments as succeeded. About this time a formidable rebellion broke out in the dusky King's dominions, and our Carolina boy, with his inherited warrior spirit, advised a plan of campaign to put down the rebellion, which being followed was so eminently successful that the King's foes were almost annihilated and as a reward for his genius and valor Hobbes was made Prime Minister.

The dusky Princess was very much in love with our hero, and did not fail to let the fact be known, but Hobbes eloquently and pathetically related how he loved his New York sweetheart and could not, therefore, share his love or be untrue to his American fiancée. The Princess accepted the situation, but she was sore stricken and pined away and soon died.

Her death was a severe blow to the King, who grieved intensely and soon after died. Hobbes had in the meantime become so popular with these island people that he was unanimously elected to be King and

is now King Maletoe. The sequel is as interesting as any part of the story.

A few weeks ago King Maletoe landed in New York sought out his lady love, had a royal wedding, and after a few weeks of civilization departed for his island kingdom, where, let us hope, he may forever reign in peace, the brave and adventurous, constant North Carolina King.—Newbern Journal.

EUROPEAN CROWNED HEADS

There is a fat little red book that comes into every considerable reference library at about this time every year with a bursting load of information regarding the nations of the earth and their rulers. This book is the Almanach de Gotha. It contains any amount of information that may be found in equally available form elsewhere; it contains also several hundred pages of facts that never are collected elsewhere in such trustworthy and convenient form—facts relating to the crowned heads of all monarchies, great and small, their families, their ancestors and children and children's children and their collateral relatives far and near.

Every year the editors of the "Almanach de Gotha" send to the castles and palaces of royalty, wherever accessible, the proof sheets of the pages concerning the ruling families, and none of these pages is published without having been corrected by some princely hand. Consequently, a man may usually rely on what he finds in the "Almanach de Gotha" about the crowned heads and their kind, although not always, for crowned heads err occasionally, as do uncrowned heads, in matters of family history. On the whole, however, the "Almanach" is about as trustworthy as any book of 1280 pages could be.

The last Almanach, received a few days ago from Etropole, shows that the oldest reigning prince next to the pope, who is eighty-six, is the grand duke of little Luxemburg, who is eighty. Denmark's king is seventy-eight, Queen Victoria and the grand duke of Mecklenburg-Strelitz seventy-seven. Three ruling princes have passed seventy in the last year—the duke of Saxe-Meiningen, the duke of Saxe-Altenburg and the grand duke of Baden. Nine sovereigns are between sixty and seventy, seven of them being over sixty-five. Eight sovereigns are in their fifties, six in their forties, three in their thirties and three in their twenties. Wilhelmina of the Netherlands and Alfonso of Spain are the youngest sovereigns. According to the length of reign, Queen Victoria heads the list with almost sixty years. She is followed by Emperor Josef Franz of Austria, with forty-eight years. The grand duke of Saxe-Weimer, the duke of Saxe-Altenburg and the grand duke of Oldenburg have reigned since 1853. Seventeen of the forty European sovereigns have reigned more than twenty-five years, and thirteen less than ten years. In 1894 there was but one change in a throne; in 1895, one; in 1896, none. Of the thirty-eight reigning houses in Europe but twenty-three have heirs in the direct line of succession. Of the heirs to the thrones the prince of Wales, with his fifty-five years, is the eldest; then comes the crown prince of Denmark, fifty-three years old; the hereditary grand duke of Mecklenburg-Strelitz, forty-eight; the hereditary prince of Meiningen, forty-five; the hereditary grand duke of Luxemburg and Oldenburg, forty-four. Of the whole number of heirs only twelve are married; six of these have grandchildren.—St. Louis Globe Democrat.

FOREIGN CHRISTIAN MISSIONARY SOCIETY.

This is an organization of the Christian Churches (Disciples of Christ), with headquarters in Cincinnati, Ohio. President C. L. Loos, of Kentucky University, is the President of the Society, and A. McLean, of Cincinnati, Ohio, is the Corresponding Secretary. The whole world, outside of North America, is its field. It was organized in 1875, and already has prosperous missions in Japan, China, India, Turkey, Scandinavia and England, and a mission is soon to be opened in Africa.

During the past twenty-one years, this organization has raised and disbursed nearly one million of dollars. Last year the receipts amounted to \$93,867.21. This Society supports 144 missionaries, has 4,000 members, 26 day schools, with over 1,200 scholars, and 74 Sunday Schools, with 4,300 scholars in foreign lands. It has eight medical missionaries, and last year they treated over 28,000 patients. The various mission stations last year raised about \$20,000. This organization has property in foreign lands valued at nearly \$200,000.

This is a growing enterprise. Last year six new missionaries were sent out, and a larger number are expected to sail this year. There has been an increase in the annual receipts of about \$35,000 in less than five years.

The time the Christian Churches make their contributions to the work is the first Sunday in March. We have no doubt that the church in this place will do its full share. F. M. Rains, Cincinnati, Ohio, is the Treasurer.

From the figures of Dr. H. K. Carroll, special agent of the United States, it is learned that this religious body (Christian Church) made an increase in this country of 44% from 1890 to 1895. In fifteen years, he says, this body has considerably more than doubled itself. The increase is at the rate of nearly 16%. They now number 1,003,672 members.

HOW TO SUCCEED IN LIFE.

Hon. Garret A. Hobart, the Vice-President-elect, was sought the other day by a young man who wanted his advice as to "the best thing a young man could do in order to succeed in life," and here is what Mr. Hobart said to him: "Be honest and industrious all through life in whatever you may be engaged, and you need not fail of success." This was good advice and if followed no young man need fear the result. Both are necessary to succeed, even in the smallest degree. While it is true that there have been cases where young men have been both honest and industrious and yet have not succeeded in accumulating wealth, yet it must be remembered that success in life is not entirely measured by the dollars one may have. There are greater and higher aims in life than simply money-getting, though it is unfortunately true that such is the fixed aim of already too many men, both young and old, of this day. A full measure of success in this life is not, nor should it be, estimated by dollars, and yet how often it is that men in their mad haste to accumulate wealth forget everything else which goes toward making life successful! If a young man is honest, industrious and frugal throughout success, in all the term implies, is sure to come to him.—Norfolk Virginian.

THE JUNEBUG STATESMAN.

Judge Linney, of North Carolina, is known in his own district as the "Junebug Statesman." This title is one of honor, not of derision. It means much to the good people of Taylorsville, and the great seal of that city, which is affixed to all public documents bearing the signature, bears in its center the device of a Junebug. And thereby hangs a tale.

Some years ago when Judge Linney and the Hon. Cyrus B. Watson, the recently defeated candidate for Governor of North Carolina, were in the State Senate together, a little railroad ran from Charlotte to Statesville a distance of forty-eight miles. Away back before the war, when this line was projected as the future great railway of the American continent, it was named the Atlantic, Tennessee and Ohio, although it has never reached any one of the places thus named. Probably the road was never better or more tersely described than when Bill Arp wrote of it: "It is forty-eight miles short and ten hours long."

Alexander county adjoins Iredell county, and Taylorsville is the county seat of Alexander county. State Senator Linney introduced a bill, proposing to grant a charter to the Atlantic, Tennessee and Ohio to construct an extension to Taylorsville. State Senator Watson wanted the extension to run to Danbury, Stokes county, in his district. When the bill was up for consideration Watson made a glowing speech of Danbury and the wonderful resources of the surrounding section. When Judge Linney rose to reply, he made the speech which has become historic. He said that his district not only contained more coal and iron than Watson's district, but that there was found there that rare and radiant gem the hiddenite, and that a plowboy would not infrequently overturn a chip or stone disclosing one of these gems, so rich and so rare that a well fed Junebug could easily fly away with one worth a thousand dollars between his wings. Nothing that Watson could say after this could stem the tide of legislative approval of Linney's bill, and Taylorsville became the terminus of the Atlantic, Tennessee and Ohio. Although it is still known on its letter heads by that high-sounding title, no one, from one end to the other of the line, ever speaks of it as anything else than the "Junebug" road.—Washington Post.

EYESIGHT OF IRON WORKERS.

In the mining and foundry district of Bochum, Prussia, Dr. Niden reports having treated during the years 1885-94, 5,443 patients engaged in such occupations, of whom more than 68 per cent were cases of injury to the eye in their calling—iron and foundry workers showing a large predominance in this respect over miners. Of 3,723 iron and foundry workers treated for eye injuries, 2,805 were for the left eye and only 1,639 for the right, or a relative proportion of 56 to 44; and as a similar proportion held good in each separate year, the conclusion arrived at is that in such work the danger to the left eye is really greater than that to the right. Even more marked, in fact, was the proportion in respect to the severe cases, the left eye being quite lost in seventeen cases, the right eye in seven. It is urged, therefore, that in iron workers the loss of the right should be calculated as the more serious, inasmuch as the individual then runs a greater risk of injuring the remaining eye than when he has lost the left.—Scientific American.



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GENERAL NEWS.

NEWS FROM ALL PARTS OF THE WORLD.

The legislature of Colorado is making it a punishable offence to wear high hats to theatrical entertainments in that state.

J. L. McDaniels was arrested in Baltimore last week by the United States government for using the mails for promoting a bogus lottery.

The legislature of the State of Texas has passed a law holding railroad companies responsible for the acts of their employees.

General Alfred Pleasanton, a distinguished cavalry commander in the late war, died in Washington, D. C., last week. His home was in Philadelphia.

Hon. W. J. Bryan will lecture in New Haven, Connecticut, on Thursday night, February the 25th, having been invited by the leading democrats of that State.

Postmaster General William L. Wilson, of West Va., has been elected president of Washington and Lee University of Lexington, Va., and has accepted. He will take his seat July 1st.

At Union, Missouri, on last Tuesday Arthur Duestrow was hanged for the murder of his wife and child. He was very wealthy and leaves an estate valued at \$2,000,000. He was of dissolute habits, and tried to save his life on a plea of insanity.

LINCOLN, Neb., Feb. 16.—The State Supreme Court rendered a decision to-day in the case of W. J. Bryan and others against Elmer B. Stephenson. The case was brought by Mr. Bryan and his associates to prevent the issue of city bonds "payable in gold." When the proposition for the bonds was submitted to the voters the gold clause was omitted. The Supreme Court decided against the bonds on a technicality and did not touch the question of the validity of bonds payable in gold.—N. Y. World.

Some more than five years ago George Dudley was sent to the penitentiary from this county for a term of fifteen years, for fatally stabbing Red Blow in a quarrel over a game of cards. Both were colored. Last week Col. I. A. Sugg went to Raleigh armed with a petition to Governor Russell for George's pardon. He got it and George got home Saturday, again a free man, says King's (Greenville) Weekly.