

GENERAL NEWS.
NEWS FROM ALL PARTS OF THE WORLD.

The State Senate of California has ordered that the managing editor and one reporter of the San Francisco Examiner be imprisoned for contempt for charging in that journal that the Senate was bribed to pass certain bills.

Mrs. Henry Ward Beecher, widow of the late Henry Ward Beecher, died at Stamford, Conn., at the home of her son-in-law last Monday morning, March 8th, at the age of 85 years. She died on the same day of the month that her husband did succeeding him just ten years.

Richard Graham, a wealthy farmer, and his wife were found murdered in their home near Crabtree, West Virginia, last Tuesday. It was supposed they were murdered by tramps who were in search of their money.

It is stated that President McKinley has telegraphed to Gen. Fitzhugh Lee to remain in Cuba as Consul from this country.

The biggest snow storm ever known in North and South Dakota and Minnesota visited that section last week. All trains were stopped and large numbers of stock perished.

An old colored lady named Day died at Madison, N. J., last Thursday. She claimed to be 105 years of age and says she saw General La Fayette when he visited this country in 1824.

The following item regarding the war in Cuba was sent out from Chicago on March 11th: Crittenden Marriott, the Record's correspondent in Havana declares General Weyler has received positive orders from Madrid to end the Cuban war at once, even by going to the extent of selling the island to the insurgents, if need be.

General Weyler there set out for Villa Clara to find General Gomez and to undertake negotiations. Weyler himself has said the war will end within three weeks.

It is reported that the family of General Lee, Consul to Cuba, will arrive home in two weeks and it is thought that this is preparatory to a change in the Consulship.

An extra session of the Kentucky legislature met in session at Frankfort Saturday.

News comes from Cuba that Spain has withdrawn 25000 of her troops from the island and will transport them back to Spain.

Try to keep a reporter in the dark, and you whet his activity and spur him to do the best he can to secure the item he seeks. Deceive him and you injure yourself. It is his duty to gather news. Without newspapers there would be no newspapers. Without newspaper, well, learned men say they would rather see the world without pulpits. — Savannah Press.

OF HAWAII.
The official census of Hawaii just completed, is of interest principally by way of a reminder of the fact that the Republic is maintained by an insignificant small number of Americans. On February 8 last, the census, the population of Hawaii was 109,020, of whom 72,517 were males. The total number of male Americans was only 1975. The situation in Hawaii presents an aggravated case of the tail wagging the dog. It is not at all surprising that the tail should occasionally exhibit signs of weariness, and manifest a strong desire to become attached to the body politic of the United States.

HE NEVER TAKES A DRINK

There was a man here yesterday who has not taken a drink of water in thirty-two years. His name is William W. M. Hunter. His home is in Winston. He is ex-sheriff of Wayne county. Mr. Hunter does not refuse to drink water because he drinks something else; indeed he never takes liquid refreshments of any kind. He does not drink for the simple reason that he does not want to. Yet he is as strong, hearty and healthy as are other people.

PROPOSED SNOW HILL RAIL ROAD.

The prospect for the railroad from Snow Hill is brightening. It looks now that we will be connected with the balance of the world by steam or electricity soon. Our Goldsboro friends are anxious that Goldsboro should be the terminus. We have no special choice as to the location of the route but as soon as the incorporators meet and elect the directors and they organize then they will receive and solicit propositions from the different points on the W. & W. and A. & N. C. railroads.

It will be a rich harvest for the place that secures the road. —Green County Standard.

An exchange has discovered that defective eyesight is caused by reading newspapers on which the subscription price has not been paid. Acting on this hint, long-headed publishers will compel short-sighted subscribers to pay in advance.

Editing a newspaper is pleasant business—if you like it. If it contains much political matter people won't have it. If we don't continue to curse everybody for not believing as we do, folks say we are not loyal and true.

If the type is large it don't contain much matter. If we have a few jokes folks say we are rattleheads. If we omit a few jokes folks say we are nothing but fossils.

If we publish original matter they damn us for not giving selections. If we give selections people say we are lazy for not writing more and giving them what they have not read in other papers.

If we give them a complimentary notice we are censured for being partial. If we insert an article which pleases the ladies, the men become jealous and vice versa.

If we attend church they say it is for effect. If we remain at our office attending to our business, folks say we are too proud to mingle with the other fellows.

If we go out they say we don't attend to business.

A \$1000 WORD. Two Papers at Almost the Price of One and a Chance at \$1,000 in Addition.

The Third Missing Word Contest of The Atlanta Weekly Constitution, in which \$1,000 Will Be Distributed to Successful Contestants on the 1st of Next May.

The Atlanta Weekly Constitution has inaugurated its third consecutive "missing word" contest, which began on the 1st of March and closes on the 1st of May—sixty days.

It publishes the cashier's receipt for the special deposit account of \$1,000 to be paid to the person, or persons, who, in subscribing to The Weekly Constitution, names correctly the missing word in the following sentence:

"The right of — is the very essence of the constitution." The sentence is taken from a historical publication, and the sentiment to which it gives expression is that of an eminent writer.

By special arrangement with The Weekly Constitution, that great paper, and ours can be obtained for one year at almost the price of one paper. No only that; but under our arrangement with The Weekly Constitution every person who takes advantage of this clubbing proposition, subscribing for both papers, will be entitled to a guess at the missing word.

All clubbing subscriptions should be sent to this paper with each subscriber's guess at the missing word plainly written. The guess and the name and address of each subscriber will be forwarded by us to The Constitution.

The Constitution's first "missing word contest" closed on the 1st of January, and but one person, M. L. Brittain, a hardworking school teacher, guessed the missing word, receiving therefor a check for \$1,000.

Its second contest closed on the 1st of March, and The Weekly Constitution of Monday, March 8th, will contain the announcement of the awards in which \$1,000 in cash is to be distributed among the successful guessers in that contest.

The readers of our paper who subscribe jointly to it and to The Weekly Constitution have free access into the third contest, just opened; and it may be that some of them will get the \$1,000 to be distributed on the 1st of May.

The only condition of the contest is that every guesser must be a subscriber; and taking advantage of The Constitution's offer we present this opportunity to all who wish to subscribe to both papers. Every person should have his county paper and one great general newspaper; and The Weekly Constitution, with a circulation of 150,000, occupies the unique distinction of being the greatest American weekly newspaper.

THE COUNTY UNION and The Atlanta Constitution both one year for \$1.50 cash in advance. Each subscriber is entitled to a guess in the "missing word contest." Send us One Dollar and Fifty Cents and get both papers. Address THE COUNTY UNION, Dunn, N. C.

EXECUTOR'S NOTICE.
Having qualified as Executor of H. C. Ayers, deceased, late of Harnett County, North Carolina, this is to notify all persons having claims against the estate of said deceased to exhibit them to the undersigned on or before the 22nd day of January, 1897, or this notice will be pleaded in bar of their recovery. All persons indebted to said estate will please make immediate payment. This 22nd day of January, 1897. O. P. SHELL, Executors.

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WILMINGTON AND WELDON AND BRANCHES AND FLORENCE RAILROAD. CONDENSED SCHEDULE. TRAINS GOING SOUTH.

TRAINS GOING NORTH.
Leaving Wilmington, N. C. for Weldon, 10:00 a. m.; for Rocky Mount, 10:30 a. m.; for Halifax, 11:00 a. m.

EXECUTOR'S NOTICE.
Having qualified as Executor of Mrs. Eita M. Hurt, notice is given to parties holding claims against said estate to present them to me within the time prescribed by law.

ADMINISTRATOR'S NOTICE.
Having qualified as Administrator of William Howington, deceased, late of Harnett County, North Carolina, this is to notify all persons having claims against the estate of said deceased to exhibit them to the undersigned on or before the 15th day of February, 1897.

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