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Handlans dinner sets, new ones coming. See them before you buy, best goods for the least money, at Thrash's, 41 Patton Avenue.

Rogers' best triple plate and ivory handle knives and forks, spoons, etc. Special prices, offered for next ten days. Don't miss this chance. Thrash's, 41 Patton Avenue.

Still keep it in your mind that we are headquarters for dining room and kitchen utensils, in granite, iron, tin steel and metal goods, wooden ware, etc., sample of the best dry air refrigerator in the world, in stock now and ready to take orders for the spring trade. Thad. Thrash's.

It is not necessary to tell you, but a glance at our mammoth stock will convince you that we have the largest assortment imaginable. Our motto: "Prices tell the tale." Thad. Thrash's, 41 Patton Avenue.

Visitors take notice. We have received a fine cut glass and other novelties, all suitable for souvenirs, odd china with "Asheville" painted on it, much admired, call and see them. Thrash's, 41 Patton Avenue.

Buyers of Drugs

Tell us they have lost money by monkeying with Knoxville and Richmond—a treacherous memory and the impertinence of drummers sometimes leads them astray, but they invariably find it pays them to draw their supplies of T. C. Smith & Co., in Asheville, the largest Drug Store in Western North Carolina—a saving of Freight Charges, and quick time in getting goods, are important items, and count up in a year's dealings—making large purchases in the primary markets, enable this House to place Druggists' articles into the hands of consumers and dealers, at prices never before enjoyed west of the Blue Ridge, customers are served by professional experts of large experience, trustworthy and competent—the stock carried by this firm covers two floors of two hundred and forty feet in total length, and fifty two feet of total width—this is the only Drug Store located on the Public Square in Asheville—no trouble to find the place—orders by mail receive prompt and careful attention—refer, if desired, to the Battery Park Bank.

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WHITES AND NEGROES.

RELATIVE NUMBERS BY THE CENSUS OF 1890.

The Colored Man is Not Going North But South—A Notable Movement Away From the Border States.

WASHINGTON, March 25.—Superintendent Porter of the census bureau, has in preparation an important bulletin giving the population of the South Atlantic and south Central states, Missouri and Kansas, by races. The total population embraced in this count is given as 23,475,259, of which 19,868,205 are white, 6,996,166 colored, 10,888 Chinese, Japanese and Indians. In the states included were found in 1890 fifteen-sixths of the entire colored population of the United States, so that for the purpose of immediately ascertaining the percentage of increase of colored population there is of these states are adequate, and not likely to be materially affected by the returns of the other states and territories where the colored population is small. The abnormal increase of the colored population in what is known as the black belt during the decade ending in 1890 led to the popular belief that the negroes were increasing at a much larger rate than the white population. This error was a natural one, and arose from the difficulty of ascertaining the actual increase shown by the tenth census was real, and how much was due to the omissions of the census of 1870. The facts as ascertained sustain the theory that the high rate of increase in the growth of the colored population as shown in 1880 was apparent, not real, and that it was due to the imperfect enumeration of that year.

A LEGACY TO DEMOCRATS.

EMBARRASSED BY REPUBLICAN EXTRAVAGANCE.

It will Almost Impossible For the Next Congress to Create a Deficiency in the Treasury.

WASHINGTON, March 27.—Senator Francis M. Cockrell, of Missouri, said to a correspondent of the New York Herald: "Of course there will be opportunities for retrenchment in the next congress. I am very much afraid, however, that the aggregate of the retrenchment will not be as much as the people will expect. If there is a disappointment in this regard it will be due to the extravagant legislation of the last congress.

"The effects of that extravagance will be felt by the democrats of the next house. They will be compelled to make appropriations to carry out the laws of last session. They will have two alternatives, to repeal the laws or refuse to execute them. They will be forced to repeal them in the face of the opposition of a republican senate and a republican president. If they refuse to make appropriations to execute the laws the republican senate will refuse to pass any appropriation bills. Thus the only feasible course is to continue the appropriations made by the last house. That, of course, will swell the appropriation budget.

"It will require something between \$5,000,000 and \$20,000,000 to pay the Indian depletion claims, settlement of which was authorized at the last session. If the president appoints the court and it gets to work in time to hand in a batch of judgments the sum will be large. That will the democrats do then? Will they refuse to appropriate for the courts? They can not. The appropriations, as a matter of decency, would be made. They are not responsible for the fact that whatever they appropriate will be charged to them.

"Then there is the postal subsidy law. No man knows what amount of money that will call for. Whatever it is, the democratic house will be charged with it. There will be expensive public buildings in course of erection authorized by the republican congress. Can the democrats abandon them? Their construction must be continued—we have no alternatives, and the democrats will be charged with the appropriations.

"The deficiency in the pension appropriation may amount to \$15,000,000. The pension bureau can be re-organized as to throw an expenditure of \$175,000,000 or \$200,000,000 upon the next congress. The democrats are not responsible for the pension law, which will require the largest appropriation, but they will have to pay the bill.

"Again, the next congress will be obliged to continue the work on fortifications and coast defenses. The new navy will require a vast sum. Can our party afford to ignore the navy? Will the people indorse the action? I think not. You see our dilemma."

NOT A SENATOR.

David Bennett Hill Not Drawing a Salary from Washington.

WASHINGTON, March 27.—There are three senators elect, one alleged senator elect, and two yet to be elected senators who will not draw any salary from the senate cash box until next December. One of the first mentioned class is David B. Hill, senator elect from New York, who has not had his credentials presented to the senate, and his name is not, therefore, on the secretary's list. Senator Palmer says he will not draw his salary for eight months also, because he was not elected until after the senate adjourned. This is the case also with Mr. Felton, of California. Mr. Claggett, of Idaho, who claims to be a senator-elect, is not on the roll, because his credentials, not having been signed by the proper state officials, who had previously signed those of Mr. Dubois, were regarded as irregular.

ITALIANS DRILLING.

WHEELING, W. Va., March 27.—The account sent out from this city of many Italians employed on the line of the Pittsburgh, Ohio Valley and Cincinnati railroad drilling under arms has been fully verified. The last pay day there was a large number of men and over one hundred of the men were dismissed by the contractors. Excitement in the camps keeps up.

Might Have Died of Famine.

BOSTON, March 27.—To a friend here Miss Sophie Sturge, who has charge of the distribution of relief in Connemara, Ireland, writes: "You will hardly believe me when I tell you that not one farthing of the large fund Mr. Balfour has collected for our people, and but for our private work many must have died of famine."

Women's Work.

CHICAGO, March 27.—Miss Sophia G. Hayden, of Boston, wins the \$1,000 prize offered for the best design for the women's buildings of the World's Fair. Miss Lois L. Howe, of Boston, takes second prize, \$500, and Miss Laura Hayes, of Chicago, gets the \$250 offered for the third best design. The design is one of marked simplicity.

Reckless Hypnotizers.

LONDON, March 27.—The British Medical Journal, in an article commenting on a case of hypnotism described in a New York Medical paper, insists that England shall pass laws to prevent the reckless practice of hypnotism in Great Britain.

Banker Keen Indicted.

CHICAGO, March 27.—Banker S. A. Keen has been indicted by the grand jury for defrauding his creditors in connection with the failure of his bank some months ago.

Lynched the Murderer.

MIDDLEBOROUGH, Ky., March 27.—A. B. Burk, telegraph operator at Cumberland Gap, was shot from an ambush this morning by a negro named Hunter. Burk died instantly. Hunter was captured at Middleborough, taken back to the Gap and hanged.

Local Option Killed.

CONCORD, N. H., March 27.—The local option bill was killed in the house yesterday by a vote of 165 to 146.

BRUTALLY MURDERED.

An Arkansas Man Who Needs a Guardian Badly.

FAVETTEVILLE, Ark., March 27.—Capt. W. D. Dowell, a well-to-do farmer and state treasurer of the Farmers' alliance, of Arkansas, was hanged out of \$3,000 yesterday by three sharpers.

It was the same old game. Capt. Dowell loaned one of the men money with which to cover a wager on a game of cards made by an apparent stranger. The stranger did not finish the game, but put the money in his valise, drew his pistol as though he were going to shoot and departed. His whereabouts are unknown. The other two men were captured and gave their names as Dr. Howard and George Baker, of Springfield, Mo.

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BINGULAR END TO A CURIOUS CASE.

The Estate of a Rich Man Who Paid no Taxes and Whose Heirs Were Determined Not to Do So, Levied On.

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The heirs immediately began to pack up their possessions. Trunks, valises, satchels and boxes were brought into requisition and stored with notes, mortgages, bonds and stocks. With these in their possession, the heirs departed on the midnight train. The widow is now in Delphi, Ill. Edward Bowen in Chicago, and A. T. and Etta Bowen on their way to Philadelphia. All have given up their residence in Indiana, except Nathaniel Bowen, who retains his real estate.

When the announcement of the retreat of the heirs was made yesterday no one appeared more surprised than their attorney, who declared that they had not received a hint of the intended flight. Their clients' bank, owned by the family, is in the hands of an assistant cashier and the depositors have commenced a run on it.

SIX SAVED.

A Report from the Wreck of the Steamer Strathairny.

ELIZABETH, N. C., March 27.—Lieutenant Failing, of the life saving service, who is at the wreck of the British steamer Strathairny, reports the following account:

R. Turner, second officer; George Simpson, boatswain; Albert Smith, seaman; John Whalen, ordinary seaman; William McArthur, fireman; John Campbell, survivor.

The reason assigned by the survivors for the wreck was the thick weather and inability to take observations.

The vessel struck at 4:40 Thursday morning and before daylight had gone to pieces. The captain and navigator had been on the bridge for three days and nights and, being unable to get an observation, recorded himself at Bodies Island. The life saving crew succeeded in getting a line to the vessel, but the men on board were so numb by exposure that they were unable to haul it in.

ONE THOUSAND GRIPS.

Numbers are Down With the Mean Disease.

DURHAM, N. C., March 27.—There are over 1,000 grip cases in Durham. In the many business houses the employees are down with the disease, and almost every household has one or more victims. The physicians state that the grip has very often developed into pneumonia, although fatalities are not alarmingly frequent. Senator Allison and Representative Henderson have slight attacks.

New Orleans Grand Jury.

NEW ORLEANS, March 27.—The grand jury, after being in session from 10:30 a. m. to 1:30 p. m., adjourned until Monday morning at 10:30 a. m. The impression is that they will submit a special report on the bribery question and will then begin to investigate the parish prison tragedy.

Stole \$25,000.

BRISTOL, Tenn., March 27.—David S. Morrison, for the past year deputy circuit clerk of Scott county, Virginia, is charged with forging and raising county claims from 1885 to the present time. The forged claims aggregate between \$25,000 and \$30,000.

Shooting to Death.

LIMA, Ohio, March 27.—Miss Mary Christmas was taken with the grip Monday and in the evening was seized with a violent fit of sneezing, which has continued ever since without intermission. She is sneezing to death.

STATE NEWS.

—Northern capitalists have decided to build a \$100,000 hotel on the site of the old Fountain hotel in Winston.

—There is a great deal of maple sugar made in the counties of Vance, Mitchell, Watauga, and Ashe, and while the bounty of 2 cents the pound is going, the mountain men should get the benefit of it.

—The managers of the Southern Interstate Exposition have decided that there should be a special exhibit by the negroes to illustrate their progress in the South during the past decade. The exhibit will be in a separate building.

—It is rumored that there is to be a large hotel built in Murphy this season by a wealthy party who owns a magnificent property for that purpose, which he purchased last year. We have reason to believe the report.—Murphy Bulletin.

—Senator Ransom, Gen. W. F. Roberts, and other incorporators of the Soldiers' Home Association, met at Raleigh recently, and made arrangements whereby new buildings are to be erected and the eighteen applications for admittance satisfied.

—Hear this giddy thing: "Listen to the songs your mothers sang when they were laughing girls, with clustering curls, and strings of pearls, and tripping feet, and figures neat, and glances sweet, and eyes as bright as the twinkling light, of the stars by night."—English Observer.

—The state Sunday school convention met at Fayetteville in the Presbyterian church. After devotional exercises, conducted by Rev. Robert P. Dell, of Wilson, Rev. W. H. Moore and T. P. Barclay addressed the assembly of welcome, to which there were responses by Hon. Robert P. Dick, of Greensboro, and N. B. Broughton, of Raleigh. William Reynolds, international organization superintendent, made an address.

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