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FLOUR WITH ORELESK BAKING
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LARGEST OF ASHEVILLE FIRES

FREIGHT DEPOT AND EIGHT CARS

DESTROYED.

Narrow Escape of an Employee Sleeping

in the Building—The Loss Will

Reach \$80,000, Insured—A Train of

Candy Following an Explosion.

Night Watchman Charles Davis of the Southern railway discovered fire about a quarter to 4 o'clock this morning in a room at the west end of the Southern's freight warehouse. This room was a commissary, or "rati" room, in which was stored bacon, flour, meal, and other supplies from which the stocks of the freight trains on the road were replenished.

Watchman Davis set out on a run to give the alarm, and at six minutes to 4 a call for the fire department was sent in from box 425. The two shifting engines at work on the yards set up a blowing that alarmed the neighborhood.

The fire companies were prompt to turn out, but by the time they reached the spot it was seen that little could be done to save the building or contents.

The flames spread rapidly, feeding greedily upon the timbers of the freight shed, made all the more inflammable because of their having for years past been soaked with oils, grease, etc., stored there. It was but a little while until the blaze had reached the main body of the brick depot, and as the officers of Freight Agent Olive and his clerks were in the western end of the building they were soon surrounded by the flames, which rapidly ate their way into the interior of the big warehouse, and cutting off the willing hands that would have worked to save some of the property had there been the slightest chance.

Saving Cars.

Several trains of freight cars were standing on the tracks adjacent to the burning building, and the shifting crews devoted every energy to moving them out of harm's way. A large number of them were moved, but eight were burned in spite of all efforts to save them. Four of these were on the track in front of the warehouse, and were loaded with merchandise. Four were on a track on the Depot street side of building. These were "shanty" cars used on material trains. Everything except the trucks and other iron work of these cars was burned.

A Terrible Explosion.

While the work of moving the cars was going on, a tank of oil in one of the burning cars exploded with terrific force, hurling fragments of the woodwork and boxes of merchandise in every direction. So great was the concussion that the very earth trembled, and persons living a mile away were awakened and left the shock. Almost every pane of glass in the front of the furniture factory, a short distance away, was shattered, and a great hole was smashed in a car load of lumber standing on a nearby track. There was a quantity of candy in this car, and it literally rained caramels, gum drops, and the like for a half minute after the explosion. Luckily no one was struck by the flying timbers. A piece of plank with a big siver driven through it is in THE CITIZEN'S museum as a relic of the occurrence. It was brought in by R. T. Owen.

Nothing to Be Done.

A strong wind was blowing from the point where the fire originated and so fiercely fanned the flames as to make it next to impossible to work about the main part of the warehouse. As it was, however, the firemen would have made the attempt to enter the building but for a warning from Freight Clerk Charles D. Clarke, who believed that powder was among the goods stored in the place and it was thought unsafe to enter. All there was to do was to prevent the flames from spreading. Ere long the fire had done its work, and where the warehouse and its valuable contents had stood there was nothing but the bare brick walls and a smoldering heap.

A Narrow Escape.

Road Foreman James Moore had a close call during the fire, and his story of it is as follows: "I had been up for two nights with the circus trains and was dead tired. I had a room on the second floor of the tower of the freight office. I was awakened by something, I don't know what, and ran to the window to find everything about me on fire. I could not escape by the stairway, so I jumped from the window, which was a frame of flames, to the ground. Every stitch of clothing I had, except what I have on, was destroyed. I haven't even an extra pair of socks left."

Mr. Moore was stunned by his jump and was picked up and taken away from the fire by Freight Clerks Ray and Taylor. There is an ugly cut under Mr. Moore's chin, and his left hand is badly burned. This latter injury was received when he placed his hand on the ledge of the window to jump out.

A Heavy Loss.

The burned warehouse had therein an unusually large amount of freight. This included four car loads of flour and bran, three or four pianos consigned to various Asheville people, and much merchandise of every description. Fifty-three cases of shoes went with the rest. These were consigned to M. Levy, who was just opening up business in Asheville. The only things saved were seven axes, a bundle of stovepipes, four or five yards of jeans and 4 1/2 sacks of wet coffee, which were dragged from the ruins by Mr. Clarke this morning. It is estimated that the freight in the warehouse and burned cars, when added to the building and eight cars, will make the loss \$80,000—the most for a fire Asheville has ever known. The building was valued at \$4,000 and the cars at probably \$2,500 more. The company carried what is known as floating insurance on the property and goods, and it is all placed in New York. The shippers will, of course, lose nothing.

All the Papers Gone.

One great loss to the company is in the destruction of the records of the freight department. Not a paper of the valuable lot was saved. The documents included all the records of the Paint Kock agency which were brought here a short time ago. There was about \$1,000 in the office safe. Whether this is all, right cannot be told until the safe cools sufficiently for its examination.

Freight Agent Olive and his clerks will have their office in the brick building the old warehouse, and freight will be handled on the platform that was not burned.

The car where the explosion occurred had a lot of liver regulator in it, and it

and his knowledge of what should be done was valuable.

No Cause Known.

The cause of the fire is not known. Some stores were taken from the shanty cars yesterday afternoon and stored in the commissary, and it is possible that there were some coals in one of them and that there the fire began. But the workmen had poured water upon the fire in the store and it is believed that it was all extinguished before they left.

Broke Out Again.

The firemen were called out by an alarm from 425 at 3 p. m. today. Fire had been communicated from the ruins to the platform which was not destroyed by the morning fire.

FOR A STATE REFORMATORY.

Committee Appointed at the Monthly Meeting of W. C. T. U.

The monthly meeting of the W. C. T. U. was held Thursday afternoon. The president being out of the city Mrs. Pease presided. Among reports furnished were those on prison work, mother's meetings and social purity. These reports evinced earnest effort on the part of the superintendent and gave ground for further discussion.

A committee was appointed to meet on Thursday next with reference to the securing of a State reformatory. It was stated that the W. C. T. U. of the State were making endeavors to get an appropriation for a "house of refuge" or something of that character, to which juvenile culprits might be sent instead of being imprisoned with hardened criminals.

The superintendent of scientific temperance instruction reported that two of the graded schools had been visited in the interest of this department, and that gratifying results were already apparent in the school rooms. In every instance the teachers manifested deep interest, in the subject of temperance physiology. Asheville's W. C. T. U. can feel assured of the hearty co-operation of their public school teachers, who seem to fully realize their responsibility in the preventive work, knowing that if they save the children today the nation of tomorrow will thus be saved. The committee was then instructed to continue the work of visitation until every school in the city had been interviewed along this important line of work. Copies of North Carolina's line of "Temperance Educational" were distributed and a supply furnished for all the schools.

A letter from the State executive committee was mentioned, in which Mrs. H. T. Collins of Asheville was notified of her election as a delegate to the national convention to be held in Cleveland, O., from the 15th to the 21st of November. Hopes were entertained that Asheville would be represented upon the 21st annual convention of the National W. C. T. U. The National's first convention was held in Cleveland, and it seems appropriate that the age of her majority should be held in the same city. What a growth in 21 years! From a handful, as it were, to hundreds of thousands. Among other distinguished ones from abroad, Lady Henry Somerset, Miss Willard's great-grandmother, is to be present. Lady Somerset has attended the three last national conventions held in America, and has through her devotion to "Our Chieftain" won the grateful esteem of American womanhood.

THE NEW TEACHERS.

Something About Those in the Asheville City Schools This Year.

Prof. Holbrook, who takes charge of the department of physics and chemistry in the city schools, was the first honor man in the class of '93 at Wake Forest college, where he took the degree of M. A. He has made physics and chemistry a specialty. During the session of '93-'94, he taught in his father's school at Oxford, N. C. His father is well known as one of the most prominent educators in the State.

Miss Laura A. Bingham, who will teach Latin and algebra at the high school, is a graduate of St. Mary's college in Raleigh. She has had successful experience as a teacher, and comes with very high testimonials. She is a sister of Miss Jennie Bingham, who taught in the Orange street school last session.

Miss Emma Rollins, who will have charge of the literature work in the high school, is a well known young lady of this city. She is a first honor graduate of the Moravian college at Salem, N. C., and comes highly recommended as a specialist in her work.

At the Montford school the two new teachers are Prof. McIlwaine, the principal of the school, and Miss Alice James, who has charge of 1st A grade. Prof. McIlwaine took the degrees of A. B., B. Lit., in 1892, at Hampden-Sydney college, Va., of which his father, Dr. Richard McIlwaine, is president. He has had two years' successful experience in teaching. Miss James is a graduate of the Geeseo State Normal school, N. Y., and has made primary work in public schools a specialty for several years. She is a native of Olean, N. Y., where she has taught, but has been living in Asheville for over a year.

At the Bailey school Miss Sudie Israel, of Asheville, takes Miss Drummond's place. Miss Israel was president of her class at the North Carolina State Normal last session, when she graduated with high honors.

CRIMINAL COURT.

A Number of Cases Disposed of by This Body.

Yesterday afternoon in Criminal court, in the case against Al. Corpeing, larceny, the prayer for a judgment was continued and the defendant was required to appear next term and show that he had not violated the law.

State vs. T. S. Jones, carrying concealed weapons, submitted and judgment suspended on payment of costs.

State vs. Peter White, carrying concealed weapon, guilty; motion for new trial.

State vs. Bud Payne, assault with deadly weapon; two months on chain gang.

State vs. Waits Harris, assault; two months on chain gang. Harris had been fined, but failed to secure the costs and the sentence was changed.

State vs. George Justice, carrying concealed weapon; no proceedings.

State vs. Dock Jackson, for larceny, was sent to the chain gang for two years in one case, and in another case for one year.

State vs. Amos Patterson and Lon Carson, larceny; on trial.

THE PRESIDENT'S RESIDENCE.

It is No Longer in New York City, It is in Seattle.

WASHINGTON, Oct. 27.—With reference to the President's registering or voting one of his closest friends makes the statement that Mr. Cleveland has no legal residence in New York, and could not lawfully register or vote there. Mr. Cleveland himself, it is understood, has

PEARSON'S RACE IS ABOUT RAIN

HE CANNOT FIND HIS CROWD OF SUPPORTERS.

It is Always in the Next County and Never Where He Is—Almost a Fight at Leicester Over the Duke's Disgraceful Remarks.

Fig. IV, N. C., Oct. 25.—When we reached the Buncombe county line this morning, whom should we meet but James Morgan with a little strip of red calico in his hand, called a Pearson flag? Well, this is not a very strange enterprise for him. Away back yonder in the sixties Morgan deserted the Southern Confederacy and cast his lot with the K'rites, who were then filtering this country from one end to the other. Understand Morgan will carry one sorter of a white man and two negroes with him to the polls on the 6th of November; but, on the other hand, several Republicans will not go his road, so we are not hurt by the change.

Pearson told the people over in Madison and Vance counties that he would carry Big Ivy and Reems Creek townships by large majorities, but he changed his mind and now says he is going to do big things at Avery's Creek. We have not been able to strike his stronghold yet, but he keeps us in heart by saying it is just a few miles away. We are going to stick to him another week and if we don't find what he says is in store for us you know what he has done.

I am real anxious to run into one of his crowds, as it has been a very one-sided campaign so far. Crawford has had the crowd on his side everywhere, with one or two exceptions, and it makes the Duke look peaked and hollow-eyed to see the tide against him at every ford of the branch. Dr. Harris is doing all he can to encourage the Duke, by following him from place to place and trying to keep the Republicans in line. You remember a few years ago this same Dr. Harris was elected coroner of Buncombe county on Pearson's bank account and he is now trying to show his appreciation of some by aiding the Duke in his electioneering. The boss Republicans have elected their principles and are working for the Duke for immediate relief and the most of them are going to see that this relief comes before the 6th of November.

Today's discussion was another grand victory for Crawford and Democracy and you can see for Jim Douglas, Carter or some other good Democrat to bring Jim Morgan's banner in on the 7th of November. When we reached Blackstock's store this morning we found 176 mounted men there to escort the Statesman from Crab Tree to Antioch church, where arrangements had been made for the exhibition of the Democrat, not political Duke of Richmond Hill. The crowd was large and very enthusiastic and Crawford had things his own way. Jim Morgan looked mean, others looked sour, and a few straight-up Republicans were cursing the Republican boss for selling them out. Pearson spent 58 minutes of his time discussing the present system of county government and wound up with a striking rebuke against Maj. Stehman. His speech fell flat and you could hear words of condemnation from every quarter.

If the Democrats are as well organized in their townships of Buncombe as they are in Big Ivy you will hear bigger words than condemnation from the lips of some. Everything is all right where we have been, and it is getting better where we are going, and all the power under heaven cannot change the situation now. The Democrats are on top and still climbing. Go home, Pearson, go home, and give the free people a chance. Your "immediate relief" is very nice and we appreciate your motives, but we cannot vote for an old bird-headed noddler, "broken down Democrat" this year. Crawford does our business all right and his address will be Washington, D. C., after the 6th of November.

AT LEICESTER.

There Was Near to Being a Row Over the Duke's Offensiveness.

LEICESTER, N. C., Oct. 26.—Crawford and Craig, Moody and Pearson, Henderson and Ammons were all here to witness the "skinning" of the candidate on the disgruntled ticket. It was conceded by all that this was the largest political gathering ever seen in the township. Crawford opened the discussion and notwithstanding his throat was troubling him, he made a splendid speech. Uncle Pleas Israel pronounced it the best political speech he ever heard.

Pearson got hot under the collar and "ramped and vamped" while Crawford was showing him up before his own county people, but his squirming and twisting did not cut any figure with the plowboy of Haywood, for Pearson got no mercy.

When Pearson came on to reply he found that his little personal charges and misrepresentations against Crawford would not take, and finally after beating the air for some time he got into a personal dispute and yow-yow with some of the enthusiastic boys in the crowd. He became so irritated he denounced the Democrats, declaring that no man who was honest and had the intelligence of a candle fly would vote the Democratic ticket. He declared further that the Democratic party was made up of a drunken mob and court house ring. This the good honest Democrats resented, and but for timely interference Pearson would have been taken down and soundly thrashed.

The only encouragement offered the people in the way of relief was the promise to vote for Tom Reed for speaker, and then he held up his speech over their heads and told them that it cost \$55 in London and he brought it to this country without paying any tax under the McKinley law, as he brought it in under the lead of wearing apparel. Then he had the impudence to ask these poor men to send him to Congress to tax their cheap overcoats 100 per cent. When he held up the striped overcoat the crowd yelled "it is just like your political record."

G. W. T.

TWELVE LIVES LOST.

Terrible Fatal Fire in Seattle, Washington, This Morning.

SEATTLE, Wash., Oct. 27.—By a fire at an early hour this morning a house at Columbia and West street twelve persons lost their lives and several others were injured.

The Japanese Win Again.

YOKOHAMA, Oct. 27.—The Japanese have gained a decisive victory at Kichen over 15,000 Chinese. The Japanese captured a quantity of booty. The Chinese lost 200 killed, a number wounded and many were taken prisoners.

The Great's Condition.

AS T. STATE LIBRARY COLLECTIONS

THEY ARE MORE FAVORABLE THAN A WEEK AGO.

The Best Feature is the Heavy Increase in the Output of Pig Iron—The South Still Ahead—Strikes and Reduced Wages.

NEW YORK, Oct. 27.—R. G. Dun & Co.'s weekly review of trade says: On the whole, business indications are rather more favorable than they were a week ago. Gold exports have ceased, while a number of mills have gone into operation and the demand for products, if not equal to that of prosperous years, is better than it has been most of the time this year. The prices of farm products do not improve much and there are still some strikes to resist reduction of wages, so that the purchasing power of the people cannot have materially increased, but there is a more hopeful spirit which prompts greater activity.

It is interesting that in spite of the low prices of the principle Southern crop, manufacturers and wholesalers report rather more improvement in trade with the South than with any other section.

The best feature is that the heavy increase in the output of pig iron, yet seem to overlook the market, and there are rather less signs of pressure to sell them off late.

AN OUTRAGEOUS ASSAULT.

Pearson's Attack on Catholic Sisters of Mercy.

EDITOR THE CITIZEN.—For the first time in the history of political discussion in this State has an assault, an unmanly, indecent assault at that, been made on a religious denomination. This, Mr. Pearson, in his desperation has made time and again on the Catholic church. This assault has not stopped at an attack on this church itself, which would be disgraceful, but he has attempted to hold up to ridicule and contumely the Sisters Superior of the great charitable institutions established by that church for the support and support of the poor and unfortunate of all creeds, races and sects. At Mrs. Hill, a few days ago, he out-Pearsoned Pearson in his indecent assault, all because the government of the United States, in its endeavor to educate and civilize the poor Indians of the Northwest, among other denominations has contracted with certain Catholic schools to take and educate a certain number of Indian children. Through the influence of Hon. R. B. Vance, a few years ago, before the government had made a good school for the Indians in this State at Cherokee, Swain county, the government sent a number of Indian children to those excellent institutions, Judson college at Hendersonville and our own Asheville Female College.

In the Northwest, where Catholic schools are most accessible, and in order to divide these unfortunate between the several denominations—the Methodists, Presbyterians, Quakers or Friends, and Catholics—such as are willing to take them, and which are most accessible to the several tribes, among others, of course, some are sent to Catholic schools. For this, Mr. Pearson not only assaults the government and Mr. Crawford for having voted for the bill, but also is invidious and uncharitable enough to ridicule the good women who have charge of these institutions, and appeal to what he thinks is religious prejudice of these who differ with Catholics in religious creed. He mistakes our people. The constitution of our State, adopted by our people, ninety odd per cent. of whom are Protestants, declares that all men shall worship God according to the dictates of their own conscience. This has never been denounced before by any man of any denomination in this State. It will not be sustained now.

Whom the gods wish to destroy they first make mad. Mr. Pearson is mad. The gods and Crawford have made him mad. He is destroyed.

Heaven pity the man, so lost to shame as to make such assaults!