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EX-GOV. HOLT DEAD.

PASSED AWAY SATURDAY AFTERNOON AT 5:15 O'CLOCK.

STATE IN MOURNING.

HE WAS ONE OF THE LARGEST COTTON MANUFACTURERS IN THE SOUTH.

At 5:15 o'clock, last Saturday afternoon, ex-Governor Thomas M. Holt passed quietly into that rest prepared for the faithful, and to-day North Carolina mourns the loss of one of its most faithful sons, and every citizen of the State feels that he has lost a personal friend.

Gov. Holt was to North Carolina as was Grant to the Union, Lee to the South and Washington to his country. He had been in failing health for some time, but for the few days prior to his death his decline was rapid.

The people mourn the death of a patriot and a Christian—there are no terms of higher eulogy. Gov. Holt loved his State as he loved his family, was proud of its achievements, zealous of its good name, and devoted to its every interests. He was a devout Christian, serving the Lord in deep humility. He accepted the gospel truths and patterned his life by their precepts. As he grew older and more to him the Word of Life, and he found comfort and help in its promises. He loved to talk on religious subjects, and at last left behind him the assurance that with him "All is Well."

He was born at Haw River in 1831, and has devoted nearly all his life to the manufacture of cotton goods. He is the owner of large cotton mills and he and his family are the largest owners of such mills in North Carolina. He was one of the wealthiest men in the State and also one of its largest farmers. He has repeatedly served in the Legislature, one term as Speaker of the House, was elected Lieutenant Governor and upon the death of Daniel G. Fowle became Governor and served two years. For twelve years he was president of the North Carolina railway and for eight years president of the State Agricultural Society.

The funeral of ex-Gov. Holt was held Monday morning at Graham. The remains were taken to the Presbyterian church there from his late home at Haw River. There were 22 honorary pall-bearers, among them Gov. Carr and other State officers. The services were conducted by Rev. Mr. McCorkle. The burial was in the cemetery at Graham. Many prominent people from North Carolina and Virginia were present.

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GROWING LIKE SATAN.

The Murderer Holmes Confesses to Many Horrible Crimes.

Asserts that he has the Leer, the Ears, the Exact Similitude of the Devil—Feels that he is Hopelessly Lost.

The North American, of Philadelphia, prints what purports to be sentences from the confession alleged to have been made by murderer H. H. Holmes. Among other things, the story says: "In prefacing the confession, which covers in full nearly three newspaper pages, written in Holmes' own handwriting, and detailing with a minuteness that is simply at times revolting, the architect and author of 27 murders, as he admits himself to be, states with something like pathos that he does so simply that he may obtain enough money to educate his boy.

Regret is never for a moment expressed, and he comes out boldly and without compunction in his very opening with the statement 'I was born with the very devil in me.'

Even now he believes that the evil spirit is the guiding genius of his destiny. He believes that he is fully under the spell of the damned, and despite the assertions to the contrary, that he is receiving the attentions of a minister of God, and is gradually becoming imbued with the spirit of forgiveness and religion, he feels that he is lost hopelessly. He even goes further.

He asserts that he is gradually changing in appearance, in figure, that his face is becoming distorted, and he sees whether in the distortion of his bloody imagination, which conjures up hosts of vengeance-calling dead, or not, his face assuming the look, the eyes the leer, and the very ears the exact similitude of the picture of Satan himself.

The inspiration to murder came to me as naturally as the inspiration to do right comes to the majority of persons. "Where others' hearts were touched with pity, mine was fied with cruelty, and where in others the feeling was to save life, I revelled in the thought of destroying the same.

"Not only that, I was not satisfied in taking it in the ordinary way. I sought devices strange, fantastical, and even grotesque. It pleased my fancy. It gave me play to work my murderous will, and I revelled in it with the enthusiasm of an alchemist who is hot on the trail of the philosopher's stone.

"I am convinced," he declares, "that since my imprisonment I have changed woefully and gruesomely from what I formerly was in feature and in figure.

"I mean, in fact, that my features are assuming nothing more or less than a pronounced satanic cast; that I have become afflicted with that disease, rare but terrible, with which physicians are acquainted, but over which they seem to have no control whatever.

"From what I can see, I believe fully that I am growing to resemble the devil; that the osseous parts of my head and face are gradually assuming that elongated shape so pronounced in what is called the degenerated head, and that the similitude is almost completed.

"In fact, so impressed am I with this belief," continued Holmes, "that I am convinced that I have no longer anything human in me."

Holmes' confession from this on speaks of his early experiences of his boyhood days on the farm up in Vermont, and the life he led until he entered college, to study medicine, in Michigan.

A BIG NUGGET OF GOLD.

Weighing 22 Pounds 2 Ounces Found at the Reed Mine North Carolina.

A telephone message received at Salisbury, N. C., on Friday from Concord, confirmed the report as being true, that a nugget of gold weighing 22 pounds 2 ounces was found at the famous Reed mine, on Rocky river, about 12 miles from Concord. This mine is now being worked by some parties from Ohio and the nugget was found by a man named Shinn, who was working the mine.

Gold has been found at this mine since 1799, when a 5-pound nugget was picked up. In 1803 the famous 28 pound nugget was found there. The following large nuggets have been subsequently found: In 1804 nuggets weighing respectively nine, seven, three, two, and one and three-fourths pounds; in 1824, nuggets weighing sixteen, nine and one-half and eight pounds; in 1835, nuggets weighing thirteen and one-quarter, eight, four and one-half, and one pounds, making a total of 115. These are all steel yard weight and would be about one-fourth more weighed by Troy.

It must be remembered that the Reed mine is not the only North Carolina property that produces big nuggets in late years, as eight pounds, four pounds three ounces, and two-pound pieces have been found at the Sam Christian mine, in Montgomery county; nine pounds, three and one-fourth pounds, one and three-fourths, and one and one-fourth-pound pieces at the Parker, and two and one-half pounds, eight and one-half pounds, and ten-pound pieces at Crawford; a one and three-fourths pound piece at the Pesperman in Stanley county, and a two and one-half-pound piece at the nugget mine in Cabarrus county, about a mile and a half from Reed mine.

The vein mines in this belt have in some instances done equally as well.

Work on The Dismal Swamp Canal to begin on the 23rd.

P. McMannus, of Philadelphia, the contractor for dredging and constructing the Dismal Swamp Canal, will begin the big undertaking on April 23rd. Five or six dredges are being built near Deep Creek for use in the canal, and many others will be hired. The contract stipulates that the work must be turned over to the owners, Sanford, Brooks & Co., by the first day of January, 1898. The canal will be 60 feet wide and 10 feet deep, and the locks 200 feet long.

DEATH OF GEN. KENNEDY.

A NOTED SOUTH CAROLINIAN GOES TO JOIN HIS FATHERS.

General John D. Kennedy, who was Consul-General at Shanghai, during Mr. Cleveland's first term, died at Camden, S. C., Tuesday morning of apoplexy.

General Kennedy was one of the brigadiers in the Confederate army, and made a brilliant record. He has since the war been very prominent in South Carolina politics, having been elected Lieutenant-Governor in 1880, and an unsuccessful candidate for the Democratic nomination for Governor in 1882. His death had been expected for some time.

Fire at Newbern.

A fire at Newbern burned the East Carolina barrel factory and storage house, A. R. Deuison's cotton gin and the warehouse owned by the Atlantic and North Carolina Railway last Tuesday.

A Household Remedy.

And it never fails to cure Rheumatism, Catarrh, Pimples, Blisters and all diseases arising from impure blood, is Boscane Blood Balm. (B. B. B.) Thousands endorse it as the best remedy ever offered to mankind. The thousands of cures performed by this remedy are almost miraculous. Try it. Only \$4.00 per bottle. For sale by druggists. See advertisement elsewhere.

The proprietors of this paper would like to meet every farmer in Pasquotank county, and invite them to call at our office whenever in town. All will receive a cordial welcome.

Get ready for Spring cleaning. Clean up the back lot and spread lime.

A Magnificent Instrument.

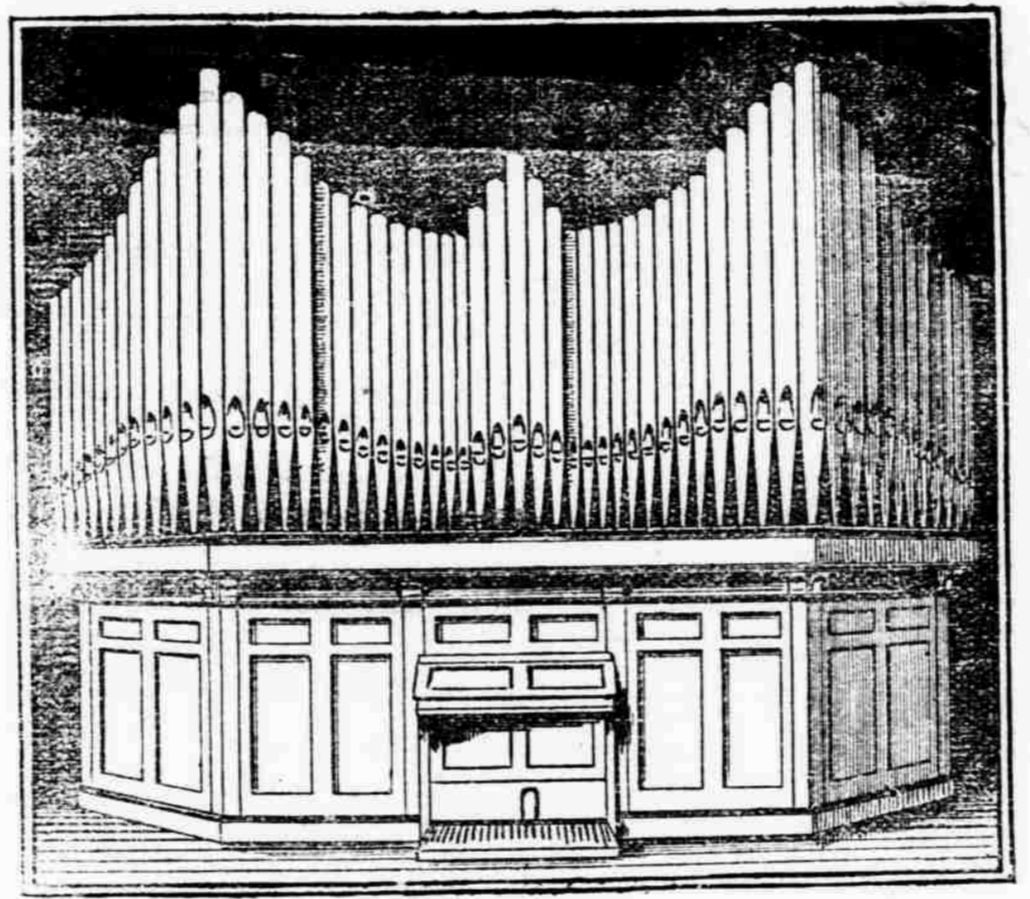
REPRESENTING THE PERFECTION TO WHICH THE ART OF ORGAN BUILDING HAS ADVANCED.

To be Finished and Placed in the Baptist Church, of this City, by May 15th, 1896.

In the very first edition of the FISHERMAN & FARMER the announcement was made that the editor proposed to make it a clean, up-to-date newspaper, containing not only items of interest to general readers, but of special interest to local patrons as well. At no little trouble and expense we give today a full description and illustration of the new and costly organ soon to be placed in the Baptist Church, and by thus doing feel—confidently—that we have satisfied the longings of many enquiring minds. We might go on and speak of the efforts of Dr. Black, well and the members of his church, but this is unnecessary. Our main object is to describe the organ. Now listen:

This magnificent instrument

most perfect piano forte. They dispense with the objectionable "sliders" heretofore commonly used, and are so arranged that each and every part is easy of access for removal or replacement in case of accident. Every precaution has also been taken to secure perfection in the wind supply; from the bellows wind is distributed to the different apartments of the organ, each being supplied by a separate wind trunk. To avoid friction and consequent loss of pressure when the utmost demands are being made upon the wind supply, all the wind trunks have been made of extraordinary sectional area and right angle bends in the same are studiously avoided. Each trunk is fitted with a "concussion bellows" or "lung," to prevent unsteadiness arising from recoil, which is caused by the simultaneous closing of many pallets, and a telescope joint to



built by the Farrand & Votey Organ Company, of Detroit, Mich.

As this organ is of a most unusual type, its specification and a few descriptive remarks will undoubtedly prove of interest to organ enthusiasts.

The organ stands back of the pulpit platform, partially within an alcove. The case is of solid oak, and with its imposing array of fifty-five beautifully decorated pipes, makes an impressive appearance. The excellence, durability and finish of the work in every detail, however insignificant, has been carried to the highest attainable standard, and the instrument, as a whole, is a representative one of the perfection to which the art of organ building has been advanced, and is in every way worthy of the church in which it stands.

The number of 16 and 8 stops is in excess of that usually met with, thus forming a foundation of extra solidity and giving that impressive and dignified body of tone which is the noblest feature of the "King of Instruments." It will be observed too, that there is a carefully regulated proportion of the Diapason, Flute, String and reed qualities in stops of the various pitches, the strength of each being admirably balanced and adapted to the acoustics of the building and the position that the organ occupies. Every stop extends throughout the entire compass.

The windchests are those known as the "ROOSEVELT PATENT," and may be briefly described as being tubular pneumatic in principle, and affording a separate pallet for each pipe. The construction and operation is such as to preclude the possibility of almost all of the derangements common to most organs, arising from thermometric or barometric variations. No matter how large the organ, these chests render the touch light and agreeable without the intervention of the complicated "pneumatic lever," and above all insure a degree of perfection in "repetition" never before attained in an organ, and equal to that of the

avoid the weight of windchests and pipes being transferred from the frame to the floor.

The action of the organ, both key and stop action, is the Farrand & Votey Patent Tubular Pneumatic type. Its adaptability to the required work when used on our system, and its reliability under all sorts of atmospheric conditions, have been fully proven by the most exacting tests. The simplicity of the pneumatic connections is the feature that commends it to all who investigate its wonderful advantages.

The VOICING, on which mainly depends the success of the instrument, is deserving of close study and examination by those interested in the subject, combining all the best points of European schools with some effects seldom produced. The great delicacy and characteristic quality of tone in the different stops, the dignified power of full organ without harshness, and the perfect blending of the whole into an agreeable and massive tone, yet not lacking in brilliancy, are all noteworthy features and the result of a most careful and yet progressive treatment.

Spring Tims

It is when nearly everyone feels the need of some blood-purifying strength in-vigorating and health-producing medicine. The real merit of Hood's Sarsaparilla is the reason of its widespread popularity. Its unequalled success is its best recommendation. The whole system is ascription to the most good from a medicine like Hood's Sarsaparilla taken at this time, and we would remedy, for history has it recorded that delays are dangerous. The remarkable success achieved by Hood's Sarsaparilla and the many words of praise it has received, make it worthy of your confidence. We ask you to give this medicine a fair trial.

The Philadelphia Times says that the appointment of Fitzhugh Lee to be Consul-General of the United States at Havana will be received with satisfaction, and will even arouse some enthusiasm.

Henry Ward Beecher once informed a man who came to him complaining of gloomy and despondent feelings, that what he most needed was a good cathartic, meaning, of course, such a medicine as Ayer's Cathartic Pills, every dose being effective.

NEWS OF THE WEEK.

Arizona is to be admitted to the Union as a State.

Li Hung Chang will be accompanied on his trip to this country by a suite of fifty persons.

White's big Agricultural Implement Factory at Norfolk was burned early Wednesday morning.

The general offices and shops of the Atlantic Coast Line now at Wilmington are to be removed to Rocky Mount.

Queen Victoria's birthday will be celebrated on May 20th at all naval and military stations, as well as in London.

A circular has been distributed throughout the State advising silver men to vote for no one who is not fully and unequivocally for silver.

The Ohio Legislature has passed a law making the county in which a lynching occurs financially responsible to the family of the victim.

The Cotton Planters' Protective Association met in Memphis and, after a long and interesting meeting, resolved to cut down the cotton acreage this year.

John C. Dancy, one of the ablest North Carolina negroes, is to deliver the annual address before the noted industrial school for his race at Tuskegee, Ala.

In Mitchell county two men were buried alive in a mica mine by a cave falling in on them. Their bodies were recovered in a short time, cold and stiff in death.

J. E. Hudson, manager of a business college at Charlotte, has skipped. He fell in love with his pretty typewriter, and this seems to have unsettled his mind.

Charlotte has arranged to put up in "Independence Square" a \$2,000 statue of Vance. It will stand on a pedestal fifteen feet high, and will be little larger than life size.

Paper which cannot be destroyed by fire has been discovered by a Frenchman. A specimen has, it is stated, been subjected to a severe test—that of exposure in a potter's furnace for forty eight hours, and came out without injury.

The South prospered more last year than any other section as the figures will show. The assessed valuation of property in the Southern States from 1890 to 1895 increased \$356,800,000, or 7.05 per cent., while the increase in the ten Western States was 1.05 per cent.

A Tyler barge, loaded with lumber and bound from North Carolina to Baltimore, ran into the Marsh Light, Roanoke Marshes, Croatan Sound, N. C., Sunday while in tow of the tug Carolina. The barge was somewhat damaged and sunk, she being left there by the tug, which had other barges in tow.

Some time ago at a council meeting in an English town a well-known Alderman astonished the members by saying: "Gentlemen, we have been sending our lumatics to Sedgfield for a long time now, and it has cost us a great sum of money, but I'm glad to make the statement that we have now built an asylum for ourselves." Sensation.

The North Carolina crop reports says the frosts this winter have considerably hurt uncovered strawberries, and have slightly hurt truck. Oats are badly winter-killed. Wheat looks well. Lands are being admirably prepared. Great preparations are made for cotton, and planting is in progress. Some corn is up. The acreage will be the largest on record.

"Get it" is good advice but "Take Simmons Liver Regulator" is better for your health and happiness. Everybody should take a liver remedy occasionally and especially in the Spring to wake up the torpid liver and keep up a healthy circulation of good rich blood, free from poison and full of nourishment to the body. "We would not keep house without it."—H. G. G. Fink, Springdale, Pa.

The most successful men as a rule are the most liberal advertisers. There is more accomplished these days by judicious advertising than by faith in the fallacy, that you "are well enough known."

AN ATROCIOUS MURDER.

A Negro Drives an Axe in the Back of the Head of a White Man.

FOUND BY FARMERS.

CONFESSED HIS CRIME AND IMPLICATED TWO OTHERS WHO ARE UNDER ARREST—THE SHERIFF OF THE COUNTY TELLS ABOUT THE HORRIBLE DEED—A GUARD KEPT AT THE JAIL.

Sheriff J. A. Chowning, of Lancaster county, Va., arrived in Norfolk Saturday, and gave out the details of the arrest on the 5th instant, of John Johnson, colored, charged with the murder of Charles L. Carter, white, of Lancaster county, which was committed on the 31st day of March. Johnson walked into the store of W. T. Barrett, near Irvington, and struck Carter twice with an axe, cutting his right ear in two first, and then drove the axe in the back of Carter's head.

Mr. Carter was the only person in the store when the assault was committed, but Mr. Barrett and family were up stairs at the time. Johnson then made his escape.

Colored children told, a day or two later, that they knew who killed Carter, as they had seen the man Johnson with blood on his clothes.

At least 500 men, white and colored, at once made a search for Johnson, and a body of them found him near Rehoboth Church last Sunday. He was taken to Barnett's store, before T. A. Pinckard, Justice of the Peace. Johnson made a full confession of the deed, at which he was carried to jail. On his way to jail he implicated two others, Andrew Johnson, his brother, and John Mason, also colored. They were arrested last Tuesday, and put in jail. On the same evening they had a hearing before Justice Pinckard and stated that they knew nothing of the murder.

A guard of eight men is kept over the jail night and day.

Goddess of Liberty to Wed

The goddess of liberty, Miss Anna Williams, whose profile appears on every silver dollar, is to be married. It is twenty years since the pretty blonde girl became famous, and now that she is to be a bride the story of how she came to be the goddess of liberty may be retold. In 1876 a young engraver named Morgan, after designing the reverse side of the dollar, made up his mind that the profile on the other side should be from a real head. After a long search, he chanced upon Miss Williams, who, after having at first refused, finally consented to sit for the design, which was accepted by Congress. She lives in Philadelphia, and for years supported herself a teacher.

Serious Cutting Affair.

Sunday morning a serious stabbing affair occurred at Scottsville, suburbs of Portsmouth, Va. Mr. John Shea cutting Mr. Ben Cattenhead in the right side, the blade of the knife reaching the lung and inflicting a wound that may prove fatal. The trouble between the two men started Sunday night on a street car in the city, while both men were on their way home. Cattenhead claimed to be an A. P. A. and made remarks about Shea, who had him put off the car. Sunday the quarrel was renewed in Scottsville and ended by Shea drawing a knife and plunging it into Cattenhead. Dr. Parker was sent for and dressed the wound, which bled so freely that Cattenhead came near dying before the doctor arrived. Mr. Shea was held in \$200 bond for his appearance.

A New Shipbuilding Plant.

It is stated that there will shortly be established at a point on the Easter Branch of the Elizabeth river on the Berkley side, near the Norfolk & Western railroad bridge, an enormous shipbuilding plant and machine works, covering eighty-four acres of ground.

The company which is to establish the great plant is as yet in embryo, not having obtained its charter, but it is understood that its capital stock will be set at \$500,000. It is proposed to put in a first-class shipbuilding plant, and to carry out this purpose the company intends to construct and operate the first floating steel dry dock in this country. This dock will be of a pattern known as the off-shore floating dock, and its dimensions are to be 400 feet in length by 70 or 80 feet wide. Mr. Frank B. King, a well-known naval architect and marine engineer of wide experience, has prepared the plans and estimates, and the raising of the stock, &c., is in the hands of Mr. J. P. Andre Moton, Norfolk, Landmark.

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A DISASTROUS STORM.

Every Vestige of Animal Life in Its Path Swept Away.

RAILROAD CARS BLOWN FROM THE TRACK—SNOW DRIFTS AS HIGH AS TWENTY FEET—RAILROAD TRAFFIC AT A STAND- STILL.

Denver, Colorado, on Sunday last, was the centre of one of the worst storms that ever blew over the Western country. East of there the country is inundated with from a foot to three feet of water, while on the south and west meagre reports tell of disastrous slow blizzards that have swept away every vestige of animal life in their path.

At Pueblo cars were blown from the track and piled up in the ditches. Only one Eastern passenger train arrived up to midnight.

Drifts range as high as 20 feet, and without shelter there is no prospect of live stock escaping the fury of the elements.

Not a train is moving on the first division of the Denver and Rio Grande, while the Gulf is blocked from Denver to Trinidad. The Santa Fe is the only road that is handling business, and its track is slightly higher than its competitors.

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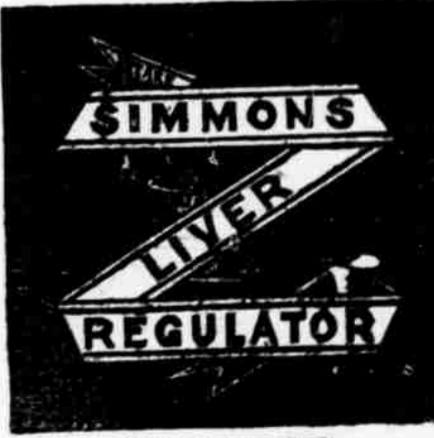
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