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## DRUNKEN NEGRO DROWNED IN LUMBER RIVER

Matthew Allensworth, a Negro Employed at Saw Mill in Spring Hill Township, Drowned in Lumber River Saturday, October 18th—Body Lay in the Water Two Weeks. Went to River Drunk.

Coroner Jordan was called to a point near Turnpike Bridge, in Spring Hill township, Saturday, to hold an inquest over the dead body of a negro which had been found in the waters of Lumber river by Messrs. Dave Williams and Jasper Herring.

Just two weeks before, Matthew Allensworth, a negro who came here about a year ago from Illinois and was employed at W. E. Gardner's saw mill, in Spring Hill township, left the camp in a drunken condition, saying that he was going to the river a short distance away, and although advised by Mr. Gardner to not go in his drunken condition, insisted upon going, and did go. Nothing had been known of him since except that a boat was found overturned and it was feared that he had been drowned. Saturday morning, two weeks later, Messrs. Williams and Herring decided to go down the river and see if they could find his body. After boating down the stream a short distance they discovered something that appeared to be a body, and which upon close investigation proved to be the dead body of Ellensworth. Upon arriving at the scene the Coroner and his jury secured the services of a colored man, who went down near the river, and placing a rope about the body, floated it to the landing. As much investigation as was possible under the circumstances was made, and the jury concluded that the negro in his drunken condition was unable to save himself when the boat capsized, and that he was drowned.

There was no direct evidence, no eye witness to the happening, and only the circumstances surrounding the tragedy could be found by the jury.

### Ordered Liquor Together—Now Both are in Jail.

Mingo McKay and Henry Ridley, both colored, ordered a jug of booze together, and now both are repining in the official county hotel, Mingo charged with selling the wet goods—which is a violation of the law—and Henry awaits trial for carrying a concealed pistol, which is also an infraction of the law.

The jug arrived Saturday. Mingo stole a march on his associate in the liquor business and went to the express office and secured the liquor. Up to this time the law and officers were ignorant of the partnership, but Saturday night officer Medlin discovered an impending row between the two, and about the time the officer appeared Ridley was threatening vengeance upon McKay because all the liquor was gone and, he dry and expectant, had found but an empty jug, whereas he had anticipated a real Saturday night spree. McKay observed the presence of the officer first and made a dash for liberty, and not being able to hold one and overtake the other, the officer clung to Ridley. As soon as Ridley found himself under the care of the law, he opened up and told how he had been treated by McKay, and added that he (McKay) had elected to sell the whiskey and refused to even give him his portion of the profits. Ridley named a sale he had witnessed, and an investigation revealed the fact that he had told the truth, at least was corroborated by the purchasing

party. When Ridley was then searched he was found to have upon him a pistol, and now faces the double charge of being disorderly and carrying concealed weapons.

Chief Hubbard later found McKay and placed him in jail.

### Two North Carolina Citizens Recognized By Carnegie Hero Commission.

Rescued A. Baty.

Pittsburg, Pa., Oct. 31.—The highest award, consisting of a gold medal and \$2,000 in cash money, goes to Chas. N. Wright, a merchant, 38 years old, of Highlands, N. C., who, with Wm. M. Dillard, a liveryman, 33 years old, of the same place, helped to save R. Augustus Baty, a carpenter, 26 years old, from a fall down a precipice at that place May 14, 1911. Dillard receives a silver medal and \$2,000.

Baty had fallen from the summit of Whiteside mountain at Fool's Rock and rolled 150 feet down an almost vertical cliff, and lodged against a small bush, two inches from the brink of a precipice 2,000 feet deep, part of his body dangling over the edge.

Wright and Dillard descended the vertical ledge, their only handholds or footholds being ridges and hollows not more than an inch in depth or height. Wright's wife saw him and began to scream. He was nearly unnerved, but pushed on. Stopping at a tiny bush 6 feet above Baty, he let his feet down to a ledge two feet above the brink and then grasped Baty's coat collar. Baty gave a sudden jerk, but became quiet when Wright threatened him.

Pinning his legs around the bush, Wright drew Baty up to a place of comparative safety, where Dillard, who had lost his nerve in the final stages of the rescue, was waiting. The two men took Baty, who was delirious 15 feet across the bare face of the cliff, within 18 inches of the brink. Then they moved Baty to the foot of the vertical ledge at the summit, from which point he was hoisted by means of a line. He recovered. The rescue took two hours and thirty minutes.

### Representative of the U. S. Department of Agriculture Here Monday.

Mr. T. D. McLean of Carthage, district agent of the Farmer's Co-operative Demonstration work, which is being carried on by the United States Government and the State department of Agriculture, spent a part of the day here Monday. Mr. McLean's visit was for the purpose of interesting Scotland in this work and he appeared before the county commissioners in session that day and outlined the plan of the work.

The proposition is made from the State department of Agriculture to pay an equal amount with the county and employ an expert to do this demonstrating work, showing the farmers the improved and more scientific methods of planting, growing and harvesting all the different crops.

The commissioners heard Mr. McLean's explanations and proposition and deferred any action in the matter until the regular December meeting, at which time the matter will in all probability be acted upon.

## A COLUMN OF STATE NEWS

Short Items of North Carolina News of General Interest to Scotland County--- In Condensed Form For Exchange Readers---Gathered from Contemporaries.

A case of smallpox has been discovered at St. Mary's college at Raleigh.

A Washington dispatch to Charlotte Observer says that Manly McDowell will be given a \$3,500 job if he will take it.

October 15th last year the ginning report of Halifax county showed 2,361 bales ginned up to that date. On October 15th this year, only 661 bales had been ginned.

The State sanatorium for treatment of tuberculosis located at Montrose, is to be reopened with Dr. Wilson R. Pendleton of Virginia in charge.

At a depth of 250 feet, a remarkably rich strike of gold is said to have been made in the Coggin mines in Montgomery county.

The directors of the Confederate Women's Home at a meeting held in Raleigh Saturday decided to erect an \$11,000 home at once at Fayetteville.

The law firm of McIntyre, Lawrence and Proctor of Lumberton have been appointed division counsel for the Seaboard to succeed the late Maj. J. D. Shaw.

W. C. Fields of Cumberland county demonstrated at the Fayetteville Fair that many different crops can be raised on one farm. His exhibits showed 135 different products raised on his farm.

With the closing of the Waverly hotel in Lumberton, that town is without adequate hotel facilities. The owners of the building will tear it away and build a handsome bank building on the site.

Jonas Oglesby, a negro wanted at Raleigh for murdering his wife, was arrested recently in Spartanburg, S. C. When arrested, Oglesby had \$387 in his pocket and stripped off \$150 which he paid a lawyer as a retainer.

A cypress tree, said by its rings to be 1,000 years old and which stood 100 feet in height and measured 11 feet and one inch in diameter at the base, was cut in the Tuckahoe swamps near Kinston recently. The tree will yield 16,000 feet of lumber or 80,000 shingles.

Commissioner of Agriculture W. A. Graham Friday gave out a statement estimating North Carolina's cotton crop for the year at 760,000. He says about two-thirds of the crop was gathered up to that time.

An aged man claiming to be a Confederate veteran appeared on the streets of Mount Airy the past week and appeared to be asking alms. It later developed that the old codger was selling liquor and making it as he found a sale. He would take the order, step out to one side and with the use of alcohol, water and flavoring extract quickly be ready to deliver the goods.

Judge B. F. Long handed out sentences in Cabarrus county court last week to liquor dispensers that is calculated to halt the reckless dealer. H. A. Goodman, a white man was fined \$500 and cost and given 5 months in jail. J. F. Harris, proprietor of People's Drug Store, was fined \$500. W. S. Austin, colored, owner of a drug store, was given 12 months. J. W. Seahorn and his wife were also convicted. Seahorn was given eight months on the roads and his wife four months in jail. C. O. Earnhardt got ten months, Will Foster six months and Joe Patterson six months.

## CONDENSED NEWS FROM EVERYWHERE

A Column of the Week's Happenings Throughout the World Told in Brief--- Gathered From Our Contemporaries and Boiled Down For Our Readers.

The income tax, which went into effect Saturday is said to have caused quite a deal of confusion on Wall street.

Chas. C. Clusker, of San Diego, California, who is 103 years of age and says he was a playmate and chum of Abraham Lincoln is looking for a wife.

Although the new tariff act with its lowered rates of duty has been in effect practically a month the custom receipts have so far shown little falling off.

Judge Roan denied the motion for a new trial for Leo M. Frank under sentence of death for the murder of Mary Phagan. An appeal was taken to the Supreme Court of Georgia.

James Muncray, who had not left his bed in fifteen years, died at Jerseyville, Ill., Saturday. The attending physicians say that it was a pure case of Muncray being too lazy to breathe.

Former Senator John L. McLaurin of Marlboro county, South Carolina, who it has been thought would be a candidate to succeed Gov. Blease, and who was considered favorable to Blease, has announced that he will not be a candidate and incidentally took a rap at Bleasism in the State.

Joe Farrow of McFarlan, an old slave time darkey, sent President Wilson a 'possum to go with the 'tater someone else sent. Joe wrote the President as follows: "I am an old slave time darkey. I heard someone sent you a sweet potato the other day. Here is an opossum to go with it."

Josephine McLouchlin, a 14 year old girl of New York, who had been held by a band of alleged traffickers in women, was rescued by the police Friday. Her clothes had been taken and she was closely watched, but slipped a note through the window shutter, which fluttered to the ground and at the feet of a passerby who notified the police.

In a statement Senator Tillman says that "Bleasism is not a child of Tillmanism." He further said, "Tillmanism is charged with being the father of Bleasism." Tillman disowns the paternity. "Bleasism has stolen the livery of heaven to serve the devil in. Bleasism has stolen most of his thunder from my speeches. He is a pastmaster at demagogues. That is how he deceives the people."

Mrs. John Lind, wife of President Wilson's special envoy to Mexico, saved the lives of two Mexican legislators. The men were sought by Huerta's detectives and sought refuge on the Morro Castle, on which Mrs. Lind was to sail. They appealed to her for help, and with quick wit she gave them the key to her stateroom where they secreted themselves until the boat left port. Mrs. Lind was compelled to sit up on the deck all night.

Judge Walter Staples has been designated to sit for Judge A. A. Campbell, of the Wytheville circuit court to try several civil cases against members of the Allen family, as results of the Hillsville, Va., tragedy, March 14th, 1912. Judge Staples presided at the murder trial of the Allens, and the civil suits will be heard November 7th. Verdicts have been returned against the estate and Floyd Allen, who with his son, Claud, were electrocuted, and Sidna Allen, now serving a 35-year sentence. The property of the Allens will be sold to satisfy judgment.

## TAMMANY HALL HAS BEEN REPUDIATED

In Tuesday's Election Tammany Hall's Candidate, Edward E. McCall, is Defeated by John Purroy Mitchell, for Mayor of New York—Sulzer Elected to the Assembly. Mitchell to Drive Murphy Out.

New York, Nov. 4.—Fusion carried New York city today, electing John Purroy Mitchell, Mayor by approximately 75,000 plurality and retaining control of the important board of estimates by a safe margin.

Tammany Hall's nominee for the mayoralty, Edward E. McCall, was defeated by one of the biggest pluralities ever given against a candidate of the organization, and as late returns came in it looked as if Tammany might not even save the New York county offices. The big vote for Mitchell pulled through by narrow margins the fusion candidates for president of the board of aldermen and comptroller, George C. McAneny and Wm. A. Prendergast, against whom the Independence League, as well as Democratic organization candidates were running.

Apparently, with the exception of assemblymen in the districts which usually go Democratic and minor borough officers, the opposition to fusion elected only one of its nominees, Maurice E. Connolly, for borough president of Queens. The fusionists elected borough presidents in Brooklyn, the Bronx and Richmond, and apparently also in Manhattan. The result thus indicated would leave Tammany but one vote out of the 16 in the board of estimate, which controls the city's purse. A fusion majority in the board of aldermen also seems assured.

In the Sixth Assembly District William Sulzer, recently deposed as Governor, was elected on the Progressive ticket.

Tammany leaders early conceded the election of Mitchell, but it was not until 11 o'clock that they would concede the board of estimate to fusion.

"It looks as if we had lost everything," Secretary Thomas Smith, of Tammany Hall, finally admitted.

Chas. F. Murphy, leader of Tammany Hall, followed shortly with a brief statement:

"The result speaks for itself," he said. "Mitchell has been elected by a majority of the voters. His opponents join in the wish that he may have a successful administration and hope that it will be of substantial benefit to the city."

Former Judge McCall, the Tammany candidate, retired early. He took the announcement of his defeat calmly when told over the telephone that the returns spelled Mitchell with a big majority.

"Is that so?" said Mr. McCall. "I have been playing golf all day and I am tired. I will send a telegram of congratulation to Mr. Mitchell and go back to bed."

Mayor-elect Mitchell declared the result was not a personal triumph, but a victory for the cause of good government.

"I shall be mayor for all the people of New York and not for any party, division or party," he declared in a statement. "I have but one ambition, and that is to make New York city the best governed city in America."

When Mr. Mitchell arrived at fusion headquarters he was asked:

"What are you going to do about Murphy?"

"By not recognizing him or any one connected with him, I am going to do all I can to drive him out of business."

A foregone conclusion of the

balloting today was re-election of Chas. S. Whitman to the district attorneyship. He was a candidate on nearly all the many tickets.

### HASTY ITEMS.

Mr. Arthur Medlin, of Maxton, N. C., spent Saturday in our town visiting among his old home friends and school mates.

Mr. Fred Kendall of Johns, made a pleasant visit in Hasty Sunday.

Mr. Tom Hasty visited McColl, S. C., Sunday.

Mrs. Alex Jones spent Saturday in Laurinburg, shopping.

Miss Katie McDonald, from the Southern Presbyterian college, Red Springs, is spending a few days with her homefolks. She was accompanied home by Miss Bessie Culbreth, also of the Southern Presbyterian college.

Miss Glennie Kendall spent Sunday with Miss Eupha Hasty.

Mr. J. D. Medlin, of Maxton, spent a few hours with his friends in Hasty Friday night.

Miss Pattie Webb, of Laurinburg, spent Sunday with homefolks.

Mr. and Mrs. E. J. Hester visited in Laurinburg one day last week.

Mr. and Mrs. J. W. Jones spent Sunday at the home of Mr. Alex Jones.

Mr. Colin A Hasty spent Sunday in Maxton.

Mr. and Mrs. Frank Carmichael, Mrs. Sam Hasty and Miss Julia McColl visited at the home of Mrs. J. W. Carmichael Sunday.

Mr. Jim Gurganious adds very much to the appearance of our town by painting his very handsome residence.

Mr. Shaw Webb made a flying trip to Mr. H. A. McIntyre's Sunday afternoon.

Mr. Theodore Gurganious spent Sunday out of town.

The singing Sunday night at the home of Mr. J. R. Hasty was exceedingly enjoyed by a large attendance. We were glad to have our Southern Presbyterian college girls, Misses McDonald and Culbreth, with us.

### Gibson and Boykin Items.

Are you counting the Marlboro county fair at Bennettsville this week? If not, you are missing a great thing.

A large crowd of the Gibson people attended the State Fair in Columbia last week. Among those who attended were: Messrs. Claude Gibson, Tom Pate, Tom C. Adams, Jep Gibson, Mr. and Mrs. J. C. Gibson, Mr. and Mrs. Perry R. Adams, Mr. and Mrs. T. M. Adams, Mr. and Mrs. J. B. McHurry; Misses Myrtle Hurley and Mattie Hunsucker.

The South Carolina School Improvement Association of Boykin High School met last Friday at Boykin. Mrs. May Townsend was appointed president; Mrs. Rebecca Nicholson vice-president; Mrs. Charles Hunsucker secretary and treasurer. Mr. W. H. Gibson, Misses Ruth Adams and Mattie Lena Watson are on the program committee. Mr. Charles Hunsucker, Mrs. P. L. Newton and Mrs. Clifton Hunsucker the entertainment committee.

Mr. Laurin Gibson has returned with his bride.

Miss Ruth Adams is spending this week in Bennettsville attending the Marlboro county fair.

Mr. and Mrs. F. G. Liles are expecting to move to Bennettsville next year.

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