

DIED BY HER OWN HAND.

Widow of a Distinguished Virginia Lawyer and Politician Seeks Relief From Her Troubles.

Staunton, Va., Jan. 17.—Mrs. Annie K. Craig, widow of a distinguished member of the Virginia bar and her country's most prominent family, committed suicide early this morning by hanging herself. Wrapping a rope around her neck several times, she tied it securely to the third-story veranda door and stepped on the edge of her home, was horrified to find the body of Mrs. Craig hanging from a rope by the side of the porch. Her death, which occurred about 10 o'clock, took down the still warm but lifeless body. Mrs. Craig was only a thin woman.

The act was premeditated. Mrs. Craig persuaded her children to attend early mass and took advantage of her absence to put an end to her own existence. She evidently proceeded very deliberately. She took the rope, fastened it to a ring in the ceiling of the porch, wrapped it around her neck three times, caught the end securely and then roiled or stepped over the railing.

Mrs. Craig had been in ill health for many years and had spent much time in Northern hospitals. Her husband, Col. W. S. Craig, lost himself several years ago, and her mother died suddenly last July while in a sanitarium.

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The Parrot Yelled "Fire!" Newark, N. J., Special to Philadelphia Record.

A parrot's timely warning saved the house of Mrs. Myron Hart, of Irvington, from destruction by fire last night. Mrs. Hart went up stairs, leaving "Poll" in the kitchen. Half an hour later she heard a shrill cry of "Fire, fire!" At first she thought it was a joke, a small boy, who lived near-by, was playing.

She went down stairs, however, and it was lucky she saw, for the kitchen floor in front of the stove was ablaze. On his accustomed perch sat "Poll," shrieking "fire" at the top of his voice. Mrs. Hart extinguished the blaze with a few pails of water. Had she arrived on the scene a few minutes later the house would have been doomed.

Not Hard to Believe.

Bibs—Mrs. Homeleigh says her husband is a great sufferer.

Gibbs—I'm not surprised. How long has he been married to her?—February Smart Set.

Dispatches received by the New York World from almost every city of importance in the country says the grip seems to be an epidemic. There are thousands of cases in every large city and hundreds of cases in every small city. The malady seems to be spreading.—Asheville G. zetta.

"What are the last teeth that come?" asked a school teacher of her class in physiology. "False teeth, mum," replied a boy on the back seat who had just waked up.—McCall's Magazine.

The residence of H. H. Carr in West Selma was destroyed by fire Thursday morning. Loss about \$500.

The Wake county jail is almost empty—the prisoners have been sent to the roads.

The South Carolina Canteen.

Greenville News.

Wonder if the South Carolina members in Congress voted for the abolition of the army canteen? One would hardly think so, when their State is so concerned in furnishing its citizens with an abundance of official booze. Among the items in the \$2,500 bill for expenses of soldiers to prevent lynchings last year, we find an item of one-fourth of a barrel of beer.

His Treat.

Chicago News.

Visitor: "Say, you are de guy wot treats feller as 'g jaggered'?" Dr. Glitter: "I treat nebricates." Visitor: "Well, I'm one o' dem fellers, an' seef'n' it's your treat, you can gimme a little whiskey."

It Will Not be Long.

Times-Mercury.

The News and Observer says it did it—that is, appointed Furches and Cook. It will not be long until it will be cursing them.

A Big Relief?

Times-Mercury.

Since the penitentiary has a big balance in its favor, this legislation can be relieved of making an appropriation to it. Will they do it?

Smallpox Preventions in King George.

King George, Va., Jan. 17.—The county board of health today ordered all public schools closed, compulsory vaccination, and appointed Dr. F. P. Ninde to attend all small-pox patients.

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The Oldest Kid in the State. Times-Mercury.

The oldest kid in the State is R. G. Kidd, of near High Point. He has lived in three centuries, having been born in the close of 1700.

The Eminent Kidney and Bladder Specialist.

Amend Section 6, Art. 8, of the Constitution of North Carolina by inserting among the disqualifications for office entered and the following: All negroes and all persons of negro descent to the third generation inclusive.

If the Democratic Legislature which meets in June will offer this safe, constitutional and wholesome amendment in lieu of the present scheme it will do for the State what it cannot do for itself. Let us appeal to the people to rally to our assistance to elect a Legislature pledged to support such an amendment.

We congratulate the people of North Carolina upon the decision of the State Supreme Court in the case of Harris vs. Wright (131 N. C. R. 72) declaring that the General Assembly has power to provide different systems of county government for various counties of the State. And under this decision, we pledge the People's Party to the maintenance of the system of county government which exists in the counties, towns and cities in the State as established by the General Assembly of 1895, and at the same time to propose a legislative scheme of county government for the negro counties of the State, so that there can never be any question that the white people shall always have full and complete control of county in the State.

We denounce the Democratic Legislature of 1899 for passing an election law, every provision of which is carefully and cunningly planned and devised to thwart the sovereignty will of the people of North Carolina by whole-sale disfranchisement of the ballot.

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PEOPLE'S PARTY 'LATTERS
Adopted Unanimously
April 18th, 1900.

The People's Party Convention assembled in Raleigh, April 18th, reaffirms the principles set forth in the People's Party National platform adopted at St. Louis in its platform. It pledges itself to the National Convention at St. Louis, May 9th to vote for the nomination of William J. Bryan for President. We commend the present State Administration for its high personal and official integrity, and challenge a comparison of its record with any and all of its predecessors.

We condemn the Democratic Legislature of 1899 for its extravagant expenditures amounting to \$1,694,765.75 in 1899, as opposed to \$1,283,971.11, expended by the preceding Legislature, an excess of \$410,794.64, not included in the \$100,000 for public education nor the \$42,380 for purchase of State farms.

We further condemn said Legislature for the careless, hasty and careless legislation, including more gross blunders and unconstitutional laws than ever before enacted by any General Assembly in North Carolina. We further denounce the machine leaders of the Democratic party for laying the whip on the backs of the Democratic Legislature and forcing them into enacting and submitting a disfranchising constitutional amendment in violation of the solemn pledges made by them to vote officially in their campaign handbook, but by members of the General Assembly and other Democratic candidates to vote in favor of the amendment.

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But even if the proposed amendment were unconstitutional (as it clearly is), still it is especially objectionable in the following particulars:

(a) In that it deprives the right of suffrage the most vicious, troublesome and obnoxious class of the negro population, and completely disfranchises the most industrious and energetic element of the race.

(b) In that it grants for white supremacy and declares that no white person shall be disfranchised or deprived of the right to vote unless he is able to read and write.

(c) In that by the latter provision, it gives the power to the disfranchising party to cast his ballot while the unfortunate son of the white man who have been the strength of the State, is held in prison and unable to exercise his right to vote at the ballot box. They snatched the suffrage of the son whose father they dare not openly attack.

(d) In that the proposed amendment does not remove the negro from politics or settle the negro question in North Carolina.

(e) In that every voter who has not paid his poll tax as much as five months before the State election and eight months before the national election, shall be disfranchised if he were convicted of felony or were an ignorant negro. The purpose of this provision is not only to disfranchise the ignorant, but to cause the white man who is convicted without a trial to surrender his suffrage at the expense of the public school fund of the State, which is derived from poll taxes.

(f) In that the proposed amendment is a greater danger to the public schools of the State, for with the adoption of the amendment the opponents of the amendment are enabled at once to raise the cry that every dollar raised for public instruction means the increase of the number of negro voters, and that the public schools will be chained in bondage of ignorance and disfranchisement to prevent the education of the negro voter. This is the most insidious device.

The constitutional question presented by the proposed amendment is one that must be determined by the people at the polls, and not by a judicial vote. Therefore, we do not make it a party question. We state the evils and dangers and leave the voters to decide for themselves under the lights of these facts. The question is above party, and no one should be more active and anxious in our judgment to defeat it, than the rank and file of the Democratic party.

The People's Party is and has always been more distinctly than any other party in North Carolina the party of the people, and is more anxious than any other party to solve the race problem, and to force all parties to a discussion of the race problem, and to force all parties to a discussion of the race problem.

Therefore, we propose in lieu of this dangerous amendment, the best solution of the race question that is possible long as the 15th amendment of the Constitution of the United States stands—a solution which deprives no white man in North Carolina now or hereafter of his right of suffrage, to wit:

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