

SWUNG TO A LIMB.

LYNCHING OF JIM BAILEY, A NEGRO, NEAR SMITHFIELD, IN JOHNSTON COUNTY.

HE ASSAULTED A WHITE GIRL.

Was Disarmed by a Man of his Own Race—While on his Way to Jail a Mob Seized Him and Hanged Him to a Tree.

Charlotte, N. C., July 8.—A negro named Jim Bailey was lynched near Smithfield, N. C., last night for assaulting a white girl. Yesterday at noon Maud Strickland, the fourteen-year-old daughter of a farmer living near Smithfield, went to the field to carry dinner to her father. When returning she saw a negro in the path ahead. Her little sister was with her. The negro told the sister to go on or he would kill her. He caught Maud, choked her and assaulted her. Her little sister ran back to her father and told him what had happened.

Strickland and his brothers found that the negro was Jim Bailey and that he was at work in the field. They tried to capture him. Bailey was armed with a hoe and hatchet and escaped. Later he met two negroes, who disarmed him. Strickland and Charles Powell seized Bailey and put him in a buggy to carry him to Smithfield to deliver him to Sheriff Ellington. While on their way a mob met them four miles from town, took the negro from them and hanged him to a tree. Powell went on to Smithfield and told the sheriff of the lynching. The sheriff and coroner went out at midnight and brought the body to Smithfield.

It is said the lynching occurred about 10 o'clock last night.

Biggest ox in the World.

News and Observer.

Guilford county is becoming famous for freaks and curiosities in the animal kingdom. Visitors to the late State Fair will remember the "Horse With Horned Feet," which was exhibited here on that occasion. Unfortunately this horse died last January. This horse, whose history has already been published by us, was bred and raised by John and Nattie Clark, two brothers, who live in Oak Ridge township, between Oak Ridge and Guilford College, Guilford county. These Clark brothers now have an ox bred and raised by them, which is eight years old, seven feet high and would easily weigh two thousand pounds if in good condition. His oxhip is of no special breed and evidently gets his immense growth from being so well fed and cared for. The Clark brothers have an old maiden sister, three living together in great poverty and the most primitive style. They associate with no one, and from appearances never use soap and water on their persons or cut their hair and beards. They are intensely ignorant, none of them being able to read or write. They have never been outside of Guilford county. They are not only freaks and curiosities themselves, but projectors of freaks as well. All animal nature they have anything to do with seems to develop into the curious and freaky. They also have a young calf of unusual size for its age. Guilford county can truthfully claim the biggest ox in the United States.

The President Ready to Issue his Proclamation.

Washington, July 5.—The President notified the members of the cabinet at the meeting today that he intends to issue a proclamation as provided by the Foraker law, declaring free trade between the United States and Porto Rico as soon as he is officially informed of the recent action of the Porto Rican legislature. The press dispatches announcing that the insular legislature had declared for free trade and that Governor Allen had signed the act were read at the meeting.

It is expected that when Governor Allen brings the official copy of the Porto Rican act to the United States he will lay it before the President at Canton, where Mr. McKinley will spend the remainder of the summer.

A Currituck Boy Weighs 690 Pounds.

Norfolk Landmark.

Mr. Louis Lewark, of Currituck county, N. C., has the distinction of being the biggest man in North Carolina. Louis is only 17 years old and tips the scales at 690 pounds. His shoes, which are always made to order by a firm in Elizabeth City, have the following dimensions: Seventeen inches instep, thirteen inches toe to heel, five inches across the ball of the shoe and thirty-one inches around the shoe. A man of ordinary build can place both of his feet in one of these shoes with ease. Lewark enjoys perfect health and is strong as a bull, being able to lift the weight that would require the effort of six ordinary men.

It is So Everywhere.

Durham Herald.

We cannot speak with knowledge concerning other towns, but here the men who do the business are those who advertise.

STREET CAR CONDUCTOR SEATEN BY NEGROES.

The Trouble Arose Over Putting a Negro off His Car—One of the Assaults Arrested.

Winston-Salem, N. C., July 5.—Street car conductor Thomas Moser was handled pretty roughly this afternoon by a mob of negroes returning from the ball game at Southside between the Winston and Greensboro teams. The conductor put one negro off the car this afternoon for bad conduct. This negro and some of his friends watched for the car returning from the park when a rock was thrown, striking the conductor a severe blow in the mouth. Conductor Moser drew his pistol and went after the negro, shooting every ball out of his pistol.

The friends of the negro followed the conductor, overpowered him and beat him unmercifully. He was stabbed in muscle of one arm and stamped in the face and otherwise roughly handled. The motorman stopped his car as soon as possible and succeeded in running the negroes away from the conductor. The negro who threw the first rock was arrested tonight. Officers are still looking for the other members of the gang.

NO CRIME TO KISS IN SOUTH CAROLINA

The First Case in the Courts of that State for Such an Offense.

Columbia, S. C., July 3.—For the first time in the history of South Carolina criminal courts, a man has been prosecuted for kissing a pretty maid. The offender was C. C. Hopper, an official of the Clifton Manufacturing Company of Spartanburg, the victim Miss Maggie Cudd, age 16, a virgin and there was great interest in the trial. There was no doubt of the kiss, Miss Cudd convinced the jury. The indictment read "assault and battery of a high and aggravated nature." The jury did not think the kissing a penitentiary offense, and after hanging four hours found Hopper not guilty.

CHARON KILLS MAN AND BEAST.

2,000 Mules Have Died in one County Alone.

Memphis, Tenn., July 5.—Charon continues to spread in the Mississippi Valley and animals are dying by the thousands. In Rosedale county alone two thousand mules have died. Many persons have become infected. The first death was reported this morning, one negro dying during the night.

A White Man Marries a Negro.

New Haven, Conn., July 5.—The first instance since James J. Carr began a dozen or more years ago to issue marriage licenses in this city of a white man becoming the husband of a colored woman, occurred this afternoon in the city hall. Frank A. Guilo, aged 27, of Meriden, Conn., a good looking chap was the bridegroom and Rose Matthews, aged 21, of Naugatuck, Conn., was the bride. The birthplace of the bride was in North Carolina. The ceremony was performed by a city official. Guilo said his bride had just come into possession of two thousand dollars.

Strikers Hold up a Train on the Southern.

Charleston, S. C., July 5.—A party of striking machinists held up a train on the Southern Railway at the city limits this morning, after forcing open the door hurled the 12 non-union men who had been shipped here to the ground. Detectives have been at work on the case with the hope of arresting the strikers, and there will be full prosecution on account of the interference of strikers with the Southern Railway shops may be moved from the city.

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Winston Did a Very Good Business.

Winston did a very good business in tobacco last year the stamp sales exceeding those of the previous year by some \$200,000. The sales for the last year, closing with June 30th, 1901, totaled \$2,720,003.88 and the shipments of leaf tobacco aggregated 22,666,699 pounds. This is certainly a dollar and cents plea for the removal of the main office from Asheville to Winston. Where the bulk of business is done there the main office should be located.

Killed Playmate, Hanged Himself.

Albany, N. Y., July 5th.—Raymond Albers, a thirteen year old lad this evening shot and killed Emanuel Koehler, a boy of twelve years and then hanged himself. The boys were playmates, and according to statements of neighbors they had quarrelled some days ago.

The King's Title to be Changed.

London, July 4.—In the House of Commons, today, Mr. Chamberlain, the Colonial Secretary, announced that a bill would shortly be introduced changing the title of the King so as to more clearly recognize his sovereignty over the entire British Empire.

St. Louis, July 5th.—Mrs. Carrie Nation's threat to wreck the saloon of Obelin Brothers, in Walnut St. tonight, resulted in her arrest by the police. She was conveyed in a patrol wagon to the station, but was released by superintendent Reynolds who informed her that if she created another disturbance she would be locked up.

FOUR MEN DIE ON ONE GALLOW.

They Drove a Helpless Man From his Home and Shot Him to Death in his Wife's Arms.

Chilpey, Fla., July 5.—At Vernon, sixteen miles from here, four negroes were hanged this morning for murder. The names of the four negroes were Belton, Hamilton, John Simmons, Jim Harrison and Will Williams. Williams and Hamilton had been convicted of killing a helpless negro and almost killing his wife. It was added in the evidence that the three had warned their victim, Jeff Davis, to leave a certain turpentine camp. Davis obeyed instructions at once but was forced to return on account of lack of transportation of his household goods. He came back on October 2nd last and was at once spotted by his enemies, who surrounded him in his home, and stationing themselves behind convenient trees proceeded to riddle the cabin with rifle balls. Davis was told to put his gun outside, which he did, and was soon afterwards dragged from his house and shot to death while in his wife's arms. During the trial, Hamilton, on cross examination confessed, saying, "I'm guilty, before God, I am guilty and I ought to be hung until dead."

By his own confession also the others were convicted. John Simmons had killed another negro. The town is without railroad connection and rides of sixteen miles were made by all classes of peoples. At least 2,500 persons were present. The four negroes were made to ascend the gallows together at 10:55 a. m., and after short statements in which all claimed to be on the road to heaven, the trap was sprung and the four were plunged into space, remaining suspended for fifty minutes. Only one neck was broken, the others having died from strangulation.

A Lady Carries the Mail.

Lenoir News.

Mr. Williams, of Hartland, N. C., is carrying the mail regularly this week between this place and Hartland. Her husband, the contractor, is also a farmer, and while he is taking advantage of the fair weather to do farm work, she carries the mail.

PORTO RICO WANTS FREE TRADE

THE ASSEMBLY UNANIMOUSLY PASSES THE MEASURE.

Governor Allen has signed the Resolution—The Joint Resolutions Will be Delivered to President McKinley by the Governor Himself.

San Juan, July 4.—In a joint session, lasting three hours, the Porto Rican Assembly today unanimously passed the free trade resolution. The assembly hall was crowded with people and cheers greeted the announcement that Governor Allen had signed the resolution. The free trade resolution begins with a preamble in which reference is made to section three of the Foraker law. The resolution then continues: "The Porto Rican Assembly, in extra session, and acting pursuant to the instructions of Congress, does hereby notify the President of the United States that by virtue of the Hollander and other acts it has enacted and put into operation a system of local taxation to meet the necessities of insular government and it hereby directs that a copy of this joint resolution be presented to the President of the United States and requests that Governor Allen deliver the resolutions in question to President McKinley to the end that the proclamation may be made by him, and if it shall seem well and proper to the President of the United States, the assembly requests that his proclamation be issued July 5th, as that day is being established a legal Porto Rican holiday to commemorate the anniversary of the coming of the American flag."

Governor Allen personally read a message before the assembly, in which he exhaustively reviewed the financial situation of the island, and showed that Porto Rico possessed abundant revenues for its needs without drawing upon customs receipts. Mr. Hollander's report on the island's resources from which revenue could be derived was considered sufficiently definite to warrant the joint resolution in favor of free trade.

Today's action of the assembly is considered to be the most important taken by it since the inauguration of Governor Allen.

Congressman Blackburn in St. Louis.

St. Louis Dispatch.

The first Fourth of July of the twentieth century was celebrated in St. Louis on a larger scale than ever before. At Delmar Garden, in the afternoon there were patriotic exercises and addresses. Among the speakers was Hon. Spencer Blackburn, member of Congress from North Carolina.

Her Complaint.

Philadelphia Press.

Mrs. De Vorse—"I don't like people to call me a grass widow."

Mrs. Chumm—"No, because, of course, you're not really a widow."

Mrs. De Vorse—"Oh! I don't mind the 'widow' if they'd only 'keep off the grass.'"

BOERS WRECK A TRAIN.

A LIEUTENANT AND NINE MEN KILLED AS A RESULT OF THE WRECK.

BRITISH DISPENSE BOERS AT HOPWELL.

Greenville's Men Captured 56 Wagons, 100 Rifles, 2,000 Rounds of Ammunition, 200 Horses, 83 Mules, Prisoners—Oom Paul Wages Fight for Independence.

London, July 5.—According to advice received by the war office today from General Lord Kitchener, the Boer forces caused a disastrous wreck yesterday north of Naaboom Spruit. The train came from Pieterburg. Although General Kitchener's advice, sent from Pretoria, give no details of the wreck itself, it is inferred that the cars were blown up.

As a result of the wreck a lieutenant and nine men of the Gordon Highlanders were instantly killed, and one artilleryman, an engine driver, a fireman, a guard and four natives were injured.

General Kitchener also reports to the war office that the British force under Lieutenant-Colonel Grenfell encountered Boer's commando at Hopwell, July 4th. After a brisk fight, in which the British sustained no casualties, Grenfell's men captured 56 wagons, 100 rifles and 2,000 rounds of ammunition and dispersed the burghers. They also took 93 prisoners before the Boers fled.

There is a great deal of discussion here today over the tilt in the House of Commons yesterday concerning the responsibility for the continuation of the war in South Africa and the revelation during the debate that Mr. Kruger and General Botha were recently permitted to communicate. Oom Paul urged that the burghers prosecute the fight and accept nothing but independence.

TALK OF ARMING PRIVATEERS.

Krugger Urged to Set Afloat a lot of Private Barges to Unite the Powers Intervene.

Brussels, July 6.—The Petit Bleu says that Mr. Kruger has lately refused to entertain proposals to arm privateers, but that the promoters are again urging the former President of the South African Republic to notify the powers that unless they intervene he will issue letters of marque. In the event of Mr. Kruger's continued refusal, the promoters propose to act without authorization.

A Deserter Arrested.

News and Observer.

Winston-Salem, N. C., July 4.—John Wallace who enlisted for service in the United States army at Greensboro and deserted on June 13th, was arrested at his home in Salem, and tonight policeman Miller carried him to Charlotte to turn him over to the recruiting officer. Wallace stated that he was 21 when he joined the army, but it is claimed now that he is not that old. He has a wife and two children.

Georgia's First Electric Power Cotton Mill.

Columbus, Ga., July 4.—The Columbus Manufacturing Company's new 25,000 spindle cotton mill was formally started, today, with elaborate ceremonies. This mill is the first in Georgia to be operated exclusively by electric power. Its power is obtained from the falls of the Chattahoochee. The mill is to manufacture brown sheetings for the trade of the far East.

Will Pay Dear for the Music.

Tax listing is over, but tax paying is yet to be encountered.—Daily Sentinel.

Tax listing, itself, this time was not a pleasant performance, but tax paying is the thing that will strike below the belt. Some of our struggling corporations will, no doubt, have to "call for the caltrop."—Ex.

An Ohio man sent one penny to the Treasury for a smuggled lead pencil.

A conscience like this ought to be preserved in alcohol and put on permanent exhibition in the National Museum. It is entirely too delicate for every-day use and too rare to be wasted on one individual. It belongs properly to the nation at large as one of the curiosities of the age.

Inspecting Harbors.

Seattle, Wash., July 7.—With the exception of Congressman Bankhead, of Alabama, who was suddenly called home, the entire congressional committee of rivers and harbors is now here inspecting harbors.

Yokohama, July 7.—A number of Japanese warships will be present, in addition to the four American warships under Rear Admiral Rogers, at the unveiling July 14th, at Kuribama, of the monument to commemorate the landing there of Commodore Perry, July 14, 1853.

LOOKING FOR SAILORS.

SEEKING RECRUITS FOR THE NAVY IN NORTH CAROLINA AND OTHER SOUTHERN CITIES.

GUNBOAT ALVARADO AT NEW BERNE.

Six Ships are Now Engaged in Training Young Men for the Naval Service—Former Days Make Good Sailors.

Washington, July 5.—The converted Spanish gunboat Alvarado will leave Norfolk tomorrow for Newbern, N. C., where headquarters will be established and a rather extensive plan inaugurated for recruiting young men of the South for the navy. This is part of the plan developed by the naval bureau of navigation. After the Spanish war the need of sailors became so urgent that recruiting parties were sent into the interior, enlisting lusty farmer boys for service. The plan has worked so well that six ships—the Hartford, Laneshire, Buffalo, Dixie, Alliance and Mohican—are now engaged in training young men for naval service.

The officials are now turning their attention to the South, as they have been advised by letters from that section that North Carolina and other Southern states are fertile districts for obtaining young men for the service. One of these letters speaks of the splendid naval contingents recruited in the South during the Spanish war. It points out that North Carolina is full of sounds and has a long water front on the ocean, so that there are many young men having some knowledge and aptitude for the water. Following this suggestion the Navy Department will now seek to make enlistments at various points in the South.

One party is proceeding by land from Port Royal and will visit the following Southern cities: Columbia, S. C.; Augusta, Ga.; Durham, N. C.; Greenville, S. C.; Charlotte, N. C.; Harrisburg, N. C.; Spartanburg, S. C.; Greensboro, N. C., and Atlanta, Ga. The Alvarado, which starts tomorrow, will visit all the principal cities along the sounds of North Carolina, as well as the by-ways and smaller settlements.

UNCLE SAM LOSES \$30,000.

TAKEN FROM THE BRANCH U. S. MINT AT SAN FRANCISCO.

Six Bags of Gold, Each Containing \$5,000 in \$20 Gold Pieces, Have Disappeared From the Mint—No Trace of the Thief Has Been Discovered.

San Francisco, Cal., July 4.—Concerning the report that a shortage has been discovered in the San Francisco branch mint, the Chronicle today says: "Six bags of gold, each containing \$5,000 in \$20 gold pieces, have disappeared from the mint and no trace of the thief has been discovered, although Superintendent Leach and his force, assisted by Director of the Mint Roberts and his staff of experts, have been at work on the mystery since June 29th.

The annual count of the coin amounting to \$25,000,000, began last Friday. On Saturday six bags were found to be missing from the cashier's vault. As the cashier's books tallied with those of the other departments, the officials were forced to the conclusion that somebody acquainted with the inside affairs of the mint had taken the money.

Director of the Mint Roberts of Washington, D. C., made the following statement: "We have been very reluctant to conclude that a shortage exists. We have fought against the belief that there is anything, but after three days' work in checking calculations and going over the count we have still to face the situation of \$30,000 less in coin than the books call for.

There appears to be no escape from the conclusion that some one or more persons employed in the mint is faithless to the trust reposed in him or them. There is a possibility of an overpayment to a depositor. It is impossible, however, that so large an overpayment could be made.

Both Superintendent Leach and Director Dimmick declared that suspicion could not point to Cashier Cole, since his books were in perfect condition and called for the amount missing.

Probably Fragments of a Meteor.

New York Sun.

Laborers who were digging a cellar at Cornelia street and Knickerbocker avenue, Williamsburg, came across chunks of magnetic iron. Some of the pieces weighed 100 pounds, and the builder, Frank N. Schell, expressed the opinion that the material was the remnants of a meteor.

Before the excavation for the cellar began a hill about 30 feet high was cleared away. At a further depth of ten feet the ore came in sight. Some of the pieces chipped by the finders revealed soft iron ore in the center, with a hard yellow clay layer around it.

General Gomez, on his recent visit to the United States, expressed great satisfaction at the manner in which the Cubans have been treated by the United States. He said that they trusted implicitly in the honor of the Americans.

Flood Losses in Burke.

An estimate has just been made that the losses in Burke county, N. C., alone, by floods this year, will amount to \$300,000.

FOURTH OF JULY CASUALTIES.

One Thousand Eight Hundred and Thirty-two Men and Injured as a Result of Celebrating the Day.

Chicago, July 5.—Revised and complete reports received from all parts of the country by the Tribune, show the following to have been the casualties of yesterday due to celebrating the glorious Fourth: Dead, 25; injured, 1,813; fire loss, \$128,185. Those who were injured suffered through the following agencies: Fireworks, 750; toy pistols, 225; toy cannon, 244; firearms, 290; loose gunpowder, 255; injured in runaways, 38. Total, 1,813.

Why He Refused a Pension.

The State Auditor has had a unique letter. It was from Mr. W. H. Steele, a Confederate veteran of Randolph county, who recently had a pension warrant for cancellation. As a reason for doing this he stated that he has a little property, and that there are "other old soldiers who need the money worse" than he does.

This is said to be the first instance known in the State when pension money was refused. Mr. Steele served in the war as a member of Company E, 26th regiment North Carolina Infantry, and because of wounds received was placed on the pension list.—Ex.

Death in a Dental Chair.

Charlotte, N. C., July 3.—A Special Agent from Gastonia says that Mary Miller, a respectable colored woman of Gastonia, died in the dental chair of Dr. E. F. Glenn last evening while under the influence of chloroform. A physician had been called in to administer chloroform and the operation was almost completed when it was found that the woman was sinking. All efforts to save her life were unavailing.

Ducks on Hand for Breakfast.

Richmond, July 3.—Isaac P. Seay, living some distance from Columbia, moved into the town to keep a hotel. He left a flock of twenty ducks behind. The next day the flock, led by a large drake, filed into the hotel and took up their quarters, which seemed to satisfy them. The distance a mile over a very difficult road. All showed up for breakfast.

Quick Sale of Seaboard Bonds.

Richmond, Va., July 5.—The \$8,000,000 of Seaboard Air Line Railway Company bonds, which have been advertised for sale on the market this morning in a few minutes. The subscription books were opened at the banking house of John L. Williams & Sons, in Richmond, and in New York, simultaneously, and closed almost immediately. The full amount of the bonds was taken and the limit largely over subscribed.

Mixing of Drinks Proved Fatal.

New Haven, V. Va., July 5.—Steven Kay, aged fourteen, is dead, and seven other boys are dangerously ill from drinking wine containing belladonna last night. The boys, whose ages range from fourteen to sixteen, secured several bottles of wine and in attempting to mix in alcohol got a bottle of belladonna by mistake.

Business Quarrel Ended in Shooting.

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Indian Lands Were Opened Monday.

Washington, July 6.—A force of 30 clerks from the General Land Office left tonight for Oklahoma to conduct the business pertaining to the opening of the Kiowa, Comanche and Apache Indian lands in that territory. The proclamation will be promulgated Monday, and two land offices will be established. They will be located at Peno and Lawton.

Briggs and the Hot Weather.

Cleveland Plain Dealer.

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Negro's Harmed Under Falling Wall.

Norfolk, Va., July 6.—While a gang of negro laborers was engaged in tearing down the old Baptist church, in Portsmouth today, preparatory to the erection of a new one, the walls gave way and buried five of the number beneath a pile of bricks and rafters. All of them were badly injured and two are expected to die before morning.

Paralyzed While Speaking.

LAFORCE, Ind., July 5.—Mortimer Nye, ex-lieutenant governor of Indiana, was stricken with paralysis while delivering a Fourth of July oration and is at the point of death.

400 Barrels of Oil an Hour.

Beaumont, Tex., July 5.—General No. 1. Hayward Oil Company, was turned into tank this morning and flowed at the rate of 4,000 barrels per hour.

A BIG OIL COMPANY CHARTERED.

It Will be a Competitor of the Standard Oil Company—Capital Stock \$50,000,000.

Houston, Texas, July 5.—Charters were today filed at Austin for the Houston Oil company with a capitalization of \$50,000,000. The first named has been organized to handle oil produced in the Texas field and is primarily intended as a competitor of the Standard Oil Company, first in Texas and afterward in the domestic export trade. Its articles embrace provisions for owning lands, prospecting for and marketing oil, operating pipe lines and steamships. The lumber company will take over the holdings of John H. Kirby embracing more than one million acres, comprising the larger part of the standing timber in East Texas.

JUDGE JACKSON THREATENED.

Offer of \$5,000 is Also Made to Recede from Injunction.

Washington Post.

Wheeling, W. Va., July 5.—Judge John Jay Jackson, of the United States Court, who recently issued an injunction against the Thacker Mine strikers, has received letter signed "Miners of the Thacker Coal Field," offering him \$5,000 to recede the injunction order, threatening to take his life if he refuses, and finally declaring he cannot be elected again" unless he caters to the labor unions.

The letter says for Judge Jackson to address Charley Burke, who is an official of the union, but there is no reason to suspect, Burke of being aware of the letter.

New Liquor Law Unconstitutional.

Fort Scott, Kansas, July 7.—A jury of prominent business men took four minutes to find one of the State's new liquor laws passed as a result of Mrs. Nation's crusade, unconstitutional. It was the "inquisition" law which authorizes county attorneys to summon and examine witnesses touching their knowledge of the violation of the law. Dan F. Campbell, an attorney, who was summoned, refused to testify and was arrested. The jury acquitted him, though he admitted the charge.

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