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NORTH STATE MATTERS

Newsy Items Gleaned From Murphy to Manteo.

Big Bank Suit.

Taylorsville, Special.— Thursday night an action for malicious prosecution was instituted by Dr. J. H. Moore, proprietor of the Moore Cotton Mills, at Lilledoun, N. C., against the First National Bank, of Statesville, N. C., and George H. Brown, cashier of said bank. The damages claimed are $53,000. The action grows out of an attachment proceeding instituted in Statesville last June upon the filing of an affidavit by the cashier, Mr. Brown, of the First National Bank, of that city, against all the property at Lilledoun, including the Moore Cotton Mills and the Lilledoun Roller Mills and the Hoore Milling Company's property, in Hickory, N. C. The above property is owned by Dr. Moore, who, at that time, was in Cincinnati, O., on business.

Biltmore Estate Leased.

Asheville—Special—The lease of the Biltmore estate preserve by E. B. Moore, manager of Kenilworth Inn, is one of the biggest projects considered in this section for a long while. It may be stated that the sum contemplated in the transaction reaches nearly $2,000,000. The culmination of the project means the lease by Moore from Dr. Schenck, an agent for George W. Vanderbilt, of the entire Pisgah preserve, which contains form 120,000 to 150,000 acres. Senator Gazzum, of Philadelphia, owner of the Kenilworth Inn, as well as Moore, is enthusiastic about the plan. Biltmore estate proper, that is to say the tract of 10,000 acres in which Biltmore house is situated, is not considered in the deal at all, and persons going to and from the Pisgah grounds will probably not pass through the estate. In any event the preserve will be kept up by Mr. Vanderbilt and patrolled by game wardens employed by him.

State Notes.

Chief of Police Scott, of Greensboro, was notified Monday over the 'phone by the Rev. Caesar Johnson, colored, pastor of the Providence Baptist church, at Duplin, a negro suburb of Greensboro, that four cases of shoes, supposed to have been stolen, were lying broken open near the church. The pastor's attention was first directed to the Shoes by one of his Sunday school pupils, who told him of it, in the following faith-like explanation: "Oh, Mr. Johnson, just come here and see what the Lord has provided for you." The chief of police found four boxes broken open, but the shoes were course brogans, and none of them had been carried away. A fifth box, which had evidently contained patent leather shoes, had been completely robbed as only the empty box was left. The shoes were billed to a Winston mercantile firm and had been stolen from a freight car.

Five days ago a burglar entered the vault of Florence Mills store at Forest City, took $2,000, and escaped. Two officers learned that the burglar went to Wright's Ferry, S. C., and hastened there. After watching all night and all day they met their man in the road. They ordered the burglar to hold up his hands but he began firing. His shots went wild. The policemen returned the fire, two shots taking effect. When arrested a part of the company's money and different kinds of explosives were found on the burglar. He refused to give his name. He is probably fatally shot. A later account says he died Tuesday evening at 6 o'clock, at the home of Mr. William Brown, in York County, S. C., one mile from Wright's Ferry, where he was shot while resisting arrest. The man gave his name as F. H. Calvert, but revealed nothing of his past lift.

F. G. Roberts, a native of Wilkes county, is a fugitive from justice from McDowell county, W. Va, charged with the embezzlement of $1,000 school funds. He was a justice of the peace, postmaster and secretary and treasurer of the public school funds of that county, and for many years was prominent in politics. He left North Carolina a dozen years ago.

At Glass, a small station six miles north of Concord, Sunday morning at 9:30 o'clock the engine of the Southern's passenger train No. 39 truck a wagon containing four inmates of the county home of Cabarrus county, and the dead body of Mrs. Kate Lewis. All the occupants of the wagon were killed and the coffin and wagon were splintered into kindling wood.

Booker T. Washington made a strong, practical and sensible address at the Negro State Fair at Raleigh, N. C., last week.

The negor man, Sanfor Thompson, who was found dead by the side of the railroad, near Pelham, on Monday, was buried Tuesday. The jury of inquest at first thought he was killed by a train, but evidence brought out since points to possible murder, and the case was continued to procure further proof of the latter theory.

B. L. Duke, son of the millionaire, Washington Duke, and brother of President Duke, of the American Tobacco Company has created a sensation by bringing suit against his wife, Minnie Duke, who is now in California. Duke's attorney said Tuesday the suit is one to "clear the title" to property. It is expected that the action will result in a divorce suit.

The police of Fayetteville have under arrest John Allen, a negro supposed to be the murderer of Ada Smith colored, at Norfolk on the 11th day of August, for whom $50 reward is offered. The prisoner closely meets the description of the Norfolk negro.

Leave has been granted upon a motion of Attorney General Gilmer to bring suit in Pender county to vacate the charter of the Holly Shelter Railway on the ground that it is not such a common carrier as the law contemplates to exercise the right of eminent domain.

TERRIBLE SUFFERING OF CREW

Lashed to Broken Mast 48 Hours and Without Food or Water.

New York, Special.—After being lashed to a stump of a mast for 48 hours and without fresh water for three days, Captain Gabrielsen and nine of the crew of the water logged schooner, John W. Linnell, have reached this port aboard the Italian ship Gabrielle D'Ali. Notwithstanding their privations the shipwrecked mariners are not suffering any serious ill effects. The Linnell left Fernandina on October 17th and on the 24th plunged into a terrific gale. Owing to the heavy sea running, Captain Gabrielsen reefed his light sails. The next day the wind blew a hurricane and it was found the schooner was leaking. The wrecking pumps were started, but proved of no avail, and in a short time there was six feet of water in the hold. The big seas had smashed the small boats and ruined the tanks holding the fresh water. The sailors' plight was made more desperate by the fear that the vessel would turn turtle. To prevent this the masts were cut away and the crew lashed themselves to one of the stumps. The vessel was awash with the exception of top of the afterdeck house and the sailors suffered terribly from lack of food and water. The waves broke over them continually. On the 26th the schooner was deeper in the water and the gale continued with undiminished velocity. On the afternoon of the 24th Captain Gabrielsen attracted the attention of the lookout on the Gabrielle D'Ali, and after a hazardous trip the Linnell's men were transferred from the sinking vessel to the D'Ali. The Linnell was abandoned in latitude 39.16, longitude 73.21, by dead reckoning, and later was reported by the schooner Advent, which arrived at Vineyard Haven, November 2.

Cotton Crop Falls Off.

Washington, Special.—A bulletin issued by the Census Bureau on the cotton ginned from the growth of the present year up to October 18, places the amount at 3,839,627 commercial bales, as against 5,925,872 bales ginned up to the same date last year. The complete returns on production for 1902 showed that 53.5 per cent. of the total crop had been ginner prior to October 18, of that year, but the percentage of the ginnage prior to October 18 of this year cannot be known until the final report for the year is made. Meantime two other reports will be submitted, on November 18 and December 13. The statistics for the present year were collected by 631 local agents, who found that 27,723 ginneries had been operated prior to October 18, while to the corresponding date last year 29,314 ginneries had been operated. The only comment made in the bulletin on the falling off of this year's production is the following: "In comparing the statistics of the two years due allowance must be made for the different conditions of the two seasons."

The following figures show the production ginned in the various States for the present year up to October 18: Alabama 446,102; Arkansas 129,833; Florida 23,436; Georgia 619,644; Indian Territory 6,823; Kentucky 211; Louisiana 241,000; Mississippi 479,103; Missouri 8,027; North Carolina 232,625; Oklahoma 40,526; South Carolina 414,709; Tennessee 69,748; Texas 1,065,229; Virginia 2,511.

Warships to Panama

Washington, Special.—The Navy Department has received a cablegram from Rear Admiral Glass, commanding the Pacific squadron, announcing the departure of the Marblehead and Wyoming and the collier, Nero, yesterday, from Acapulco, Mexico, for Panama. The squadron is proceeding at full speed.

Body Identified.

Asheville, Special.—The body of a woman mangled by the Southern Railway train near Buena Vista, last night, was identified as that of Miss Kate Ambery, of Trenton, N. J., who had been staying with the family of John A. Roebling, of this city. The young woman left yesterday, saying she was ill. She was not seen alive afterwards.

President Notified.

Washington, Special.—Representatives Livingstone, of Georgia; Tucker, of Virginia, and Rev. Dr. Morrison, comprising a committee from the Presbyterian Church, represented to the President that the treaty rights of missionaries in the Congo Free State were being violated. The President will take the matter up with the State Department.

Circus Opposed By Prayer.

Danville, Va., Special.—It is alleged by those in charge of the Craighead Street Mission that the failure of the Barnum & Bailey circus to perform in this city last week was due to the efficancy of their prayers. All-day services were held at the mission, commencing early in the morning. Prayer was held for several hours in the early morning, the petition being specially that the circus be not allowed to perform. It was not known till late in the forenoon that the circus managers had decided not to give the shaw here, and when the fact was learned there was much rejoicing. It is claimed that the failure of the circus to show was due entirely to the prayers of the mission people.

Daniels Must Hang.

Newbern, Special.—The jury in the Daniel's murder trial at Trenton, came in at 7:30 Saturday night with a verdict of murder in the first degree. They were out 30 minutes. The defence had no witnesses, but asked for a verdict for manslaughter. Judge Moore overruled the motion for a new trial, and notice of appeal to the Supreme Court was given. The judge sentenced Daniels to be hanged December 11.

M'CLELLAN WINNER

Heavy Democratic Majority Recorded in New York City

END OF A REMARKABLE CAMPAIGN

Total Net Gains of 103,000—Grout and Flowers Elected, Too—Other Elections.

New York, Special.—George B. McClellan (Democrat) will be the next mayor of Greater New York, having defeated Mayor Seth Low for re-election by a plurality of 63,617, complete unofficial returns have been received from every election district in the city. By the same returns Comptroller Edward M. Grout and Charles W. Fornes, president of the board of aldermen, running for re-election on the Democratic ticket, though elected two years ago as Fusionists, defeated their Fusion opponents by 66,790 and 64,973 plurality, respectively. Comptroller Grout leading the city ticket.

Republicans Carry Nebraska.

Lincoln, Neb., Special.—Based on returns from 115 voting precincts outside of Lancaster county (Lincoln) and Douglas county (Omaha) and Republican State central committee at midnight made the claim of the election of the entire Republican State ticket by not less than 10,000 plurality. This claim is considered conservative, and newspaper returns tend to confirm it. The vote for the 115 precincts in the State gives Barnes (Republican), 9,642; Sullivan (Fusion), 8,192. The same precincts, two years ago, gave the Republican candidate 9,675; Fusion, 8,107, a change so slight that it will require a Fusion landslide from an unexpected quarter to overcome the Republican plurality of 12,000 of two years ago.

Ohio Heavily Republican.

Columbus, Ohio, Special.—The Republicans broke their record in Ohio in pluralities for Governor by electing Myron T. Herrick (Republican) over Mayor Tom L. Johnson (Democrat) by considerably over 100,000. The plurality on joint ballot of over 100, in the Legislature for the re-election of Senator Hanna, more than triples any previous record.

Other Elections.

Boston, Special.—One hundred precincts in Boston gave Gaston, Democrat, 23,233; Bates, Republican, 14,926 a plurality for Gaston of 8,307. Last year the same precincts gave Gaston 22,736; Bates 16,593.

Democrats estimate from these figures that Gaston will carry Boston by 10,000.

Boston, Special.—John L. Bates was re-elected Governor of Massachusetts by a plurality of 35,849 over Col. William A. Gaston, the Democratic candidate. With returns complete from every town and city in the State, the total vote for Governor was: Bates (Republican), 199,393; Gaston (Democrat), 163,544.

Baltimore, Md., Special.—Late returns show that Warfield's majority is growing, and will probably reach 10,000. The Democrats will certainly have 19 Senators to 8 Republicans; in the House 68 Democrats to 33 Republicans; on the joint ballot, 46 majority.

Judge Wilson Shepard Bryan, in an interview, suggests the North Carolina constitutional amendment as a possibility in Maryland. Plans to eliminate the negro vote are being generally considered.

Albany, N. Y., Special.—Charles H. Gans, Republican, was re-elected mayor of Albany by a plurality considerably larger than that of two years ago, defeating Col. Wm. Gorham Rice, formerly United States civil service commissioner under President Cleveland. The campaign was one of the hottest in recent years, being conducted exclusively on local lines. The entire Republican city ticket is elected.

Providence, R. I., Special—At midnight the returns indicated the re-election of Governor Garvin, Democrat, by a greatly reduced plurality. The vote is very close, however, and the result will probably be in doubt until the last district is heard from. The Republican State central committee claimed that later returns would overcome Garvin's lead at midnight over Col. Colt, Republican.

In Providence, Mayor Miller, Democrat, was re-elected.

Baltimore, Special.—At 1 o'clock Wednesday morning the returns from Baltimore City and the Maryland counties are meagre, owing to the length of the ballot, and, therefore, it is impossible to accurately estimate the result. The indications, however, point to the election of Edward Warfield (Democrat) as overnor over Stevenson A. Williams (Republican) and that the Legislature which will elect a United States Senator will also be Democratic.

Louisville, Ky., Special.—The re-election of Governor John C. W. Beckham, the Democratic candidate, over Col. Morris B. Belknap, Republican, by a majority of fully 15,000, seems assured. The Republicans concede the election of Governor Beckham.

Jackson, Miss., Special.—The vote in the State in Tuesday's election was light. The Democratic ticket was headed by J. K. Vardeman for Governor, who was elected, there being no opposition. The race for clerk of the Supreme Court, in which there are five candidates, is in doubt. The ticket is long, and returns are coming in slowly.

The dew of promise is never seen while we are looking down.

REPUBLIC RECOGNIZED.

Developments of a Day in the Revolution.

Washington, Special.—The events of the day as they developed here relative to the situation on the isthmus are: Recognition of the de facto government; the receipt of dispatches from Commander Hubbard, of the Nashville; the arrival in Washington of Consul General Gudger, of Panama, and the issuance of orders to Admiral Coghlan to proceed forthwith to the isthmus with the consul general.

Commander Hubbard cabled that the Colombian government troops, under Generals Torras and Toyar, 450 strong, of Colon, had departed on a merchant vessel. He stated that the isthmus, from one side to the other, was in the hands of the revolutionists. This statement is of the greatest importance. The United States government is bound by treaty to maintain order and preserve free traffic across the isthmus, and is also under obligation to prevent any hostile collisions either along the line of the Panama Railway or at the termini, Panama and Colon. Thus the future attitude of the Colombian government towards the new Republic of Panama becomes of little importance, for it is practically impossible for it to go to war with Panama. Officials here familiar with the country declare that it is impossible to move a Colombian army overland to the isthmus, owing to the character of the country. On the other hand, if an attempt is made to bring troops either to Colon or Panama by water, the United States naval officers at those points would interfere. Thus by force of treaty obligations requiring the maintenance of order across the isthmus as a necessary condition to free transit, the United States government practically has been placed in the position of a protector to the new Republic of Panama, and that, too, regardless of any bias on the part of the United States government towards either party to the strife in Colombia.

It was authoritatively stated Friday that, though the recognition of the new republic is of a business character at first, consisting of an authorization through our consular officials on the isthmus to do business with the new government as they did with the Colombian government, this will, in due time, be followed by full political recognition. This latter form of recognition will be deferred until the government at Panama has taken a more regular form. It is presumed here that the junta will very soon issue a call for a convention which will adopt a constitution and provide for the selection of a President. Then it will be in order for ministers to be appointed between the two countries, the United States and Panama, which will constitute full political recognition of the new State. That condition will enable the conduct of negotiations that may be necessary to the successful execution of the project of the United States for the construction of the isthmian canal, and it is a certainty that existing concessions will not suffer.

Colon, Colombia, By Cable.—General Cuadros, the prefect of Colon, and the senior officer commanding the troops which arrived Tuesday on the gunboat Cartahgena from Savanilla, are maintaining their position of refusing to acknowledge the authority of the provisional government of Panama, and the troops still refuse to return to Savanilla. The lives of American residents are threatened. American and foreign families are flocking for shelter to the railroad stations.

Washington, Special.—Vice United States Consul Ehrman, at Panama, cables the State Department under Wednesday's date that the Colombian government warship Bogota is shelling the city. One Chinaman has been killed. Mr. Ehrman has been instructed to protest against the bombardment. If the consul's protest is not sufficient, the commander of the United States War Ship Boston, which is by this time on her way to Panama from San Juan del Sur, 600 miles distant, will promptly seize the Colombian gunboat, if necessary to stop the bombardment.

Cotton Statistics.

Liverpool, By Cable.—Following are the weekly cotton statistics: Total sales of all kinds, 44,000 bales; total sales, American, 34,000; English spinners' takings, 93,000; total exports, 7,000; imports of all kinds, 153,000; imports, American, 141,000; stock of all kinds, 209,000; stock, American, 139,000; quantity afloat, American, 311,000; total sales on speculation, 600; total sales to exporters, 1,500.

News in Brief

The Japanese minister at Washington has received from his government an explanation of General MacArthur's charge that the Japanese Consul at Manila promised to the Filipinos.

The annual rate of expenditure for tranporting mails in the United States is $63,504,592.

The report of the Commissioner of Education shows that 17,460,000 pupils are enrolled in the public and private schools of the United States.

Senator Morgan, of Alabama, says he believes the Democratic national ticket next year will be Gorman and McClellan.

A provisional government was established at Pansma for the new republic of the Isthmus and the Columbian warship Bogota sailed away after firing upon the city without doing much damage.

It is believed by some that the United States was cognizant of the revolution on the Isthmus of Panama.

The Emperors of Germany and Russia met at Wiesbaden, Germany.

Senator Hanna in an interview said the result in Ohio had not altered his position on the matter of the presidential nomination in 1904.

The Venezuelan Arbitration Court resumed its sessions at The Hague.

Charles F. Murphy, leader of the Tammany, was said to favor Judge A. B. Parker for the presidency.

Two more members of the Armenian Revolutionary Society were assassinated in London, the murderers then committing suicide.

The anti-Addicks Republicans remained away from the harmony conference called to meet in Dover, Del., to heal the breach in the Republican party in Delaware.

Precious Harnley, a farmer, was drugged, robbed and almost killed by negro women near Richmond.

Sharkey at Jacksonville.

Jacksonville, Special.—Tom Sharkey, who will wrestle with Tom Jenkins for the championship of the world, arrived with his manager from New York. Jenkins has been here in training four days. Final arrangements for the wrestling match will be made at The Times-Union office at 1 o'clock in the afternoon, when a referee will be appointed. The wrestling match for the championship of the world will take place at the Carnival Stadium at 9 o'clock tomorrow night.

Attempted Assassination.

Lexington, Ky., Special.—Twelve shots were fired at Captain Ewen, the star witness in the feud cases recently tried in Breathitt county, as he passed along Walnut street Tuesday night. The shots were fired from a blind alley. One went through his hat and another through the lapel of his coat, but none of them touched him. He was walking along with Judge W. H. Mann, at whose home he is staying, and the judge had just crossed the alley in front of Ewen when the firing began.

Dowie's Last Meeting.

New York, Special.—John Alexander Dowie held his final meeting in New York in Carnegie Hall Sunday night, addressing a sparse audience, which he characterized as "scrawny and miserable." He announced that he had established a branch of his Church in New York, and that in future regular Sunday meetings would be addressed by various authorizers. He also declared that he intended to return in two years at the head of a host 10,000 strong.

Negro Elected.

Omaha, Neb., Special.—Much excitement was caused at the polling booth in the fourth district of the fifth ward by the election judges forcibly ejecting a colored policeman. After the count was completed the judges discovered an error that required revision. The patrolman undertook to force the judges to turn the ballots into the county clerk's office and his interference was resented. A fight followed in which the colored man was thrown forcibly from the booth.

PROMINENT PEOPLE.

Rudyard Kipling is thirty-eight years old.

The Crown Prince of Sweden is to represent King Oscar at the St. Louis fair.

King George of Greece has been appointed an honorary admiral of the British fleet.

Judge Morris Estee died at Honolulu, H. I., from the effects of an operation for kidney disease.

General Miles denied in Seattle, Wash., that he had made large purchases of Texas oil lands.

John D. Rockefeller, Jr., told his Bible class the juggling of corporate wealth recently disclosed is not general.

Baron E. Nordenskjold, of Sweden, has arranged for a zoological and anthropological expedition to the borders of Peru and Bolivia.

Boris Sarafoff, the man who threatened the peace of all Europe by his fomentation of the Balkan troubles, is barely thirty-one years of age.

President Roosevelt has been elected an honorary member of the National Geographical Society, because of his encouragement of exploration.

Bishop Gore, of Worcester, Mass., says he sees no serious argument against cremation, and from a sanitary point of view it has enormous advantages.

The betrothal is announced of Israel Zangwill, the novelist, lecturer and playwright, to Edith, daughter of W. E. and Bertha Ayrton, of London, England.

President Diaz of Mexico, the George Washington of that republic, has reached the age of seventy-three years with vigor only slightly impaired after his long life of unsual activity.

Pietro Mascagni, the famous composer, has accepted the presidency of the Musical Society of Rome. He hopes to create a conservatoire which will eclipse all others in Italy.

The Baby's First Tooth.

It is a funny craze that urges the wearing of baby's first milk-tooth, but this is positively rampant among deeply devoted Parisian mammas. The shedding of the first tooth is most carefully watched for, and afterward this pearly trifle is handed over to the jeweler. He polishes and trims the little tooth until it has all the appearance of a gem, and in a ring it takes the place of a jewel. Some rings are of plain gold, with only the tooth as an ornament, but more often baby's first milk tooth forms the center in a marquise ring of diamonds and a hoop ring has been seen containing five little teeth taking their positions among large diamonds.

Darkaway—Did you make love to any girls at the shore?

Cleverton—Yes. One from Boston and one from New Orleans.

"How was it?"

"Did you ever have chills and fever?"—Smart Set.

CANAL TREATY REJECTED

Thought to Be the Cause of the Revolution.

Panama, Special.—The revolution which occurred Tuesday and which resulted in the proclamation of the independence of the isthmus of Panama was not unexpected. Since Sunday last all kinds of rumors had been in circulation, but it was not until Tuesday night that the hour so long looked forward to by the inhabitants of Panama arrived. For two days previously groups of people had been gathering about the town discussing the situation, which caused alarm upon the part of the authorities, for the houses of Dr. Manual Amador, Jose Arango and Frederico Boyd and other leaders of the popular movement were watched by the police, but the revolutionists fearlessly went in and out of their residences, issued their orders and their plans were carried out.

The revolutionists decided upon 5 p. m. as the hour to proclaim the independence of the isthums, but a change occurred in their plans and word was sent to Santa Anna, where over 2,000 men had congregated, for the revolutionists to disperse until 7 p. m., but they were already marching towards the Plaza Chiriqui, cheering enthusiastically for the independence of the isthums. Thereupon signal was given to General Huerta, of the revolutionary forces, who, in the name of the Republic of Panama, arrested General Tovar and his staff and escorted them to police headquarters amidst wild cheering for the new republic, for Dr. Amdor and for the other leaders of the revolution. The flag of the Republic of Panama was then formerly hoisted.

The cause of the revolution may be briefly summed up as being the result of the action of the Congress of Colombia at Begota in rejecting the Hay-Herran canal treaty. The Panamaians are almost to a man in favor of the construction of the canal by the United States, and it had repeatedly been prophesied before and after the meeting of Congress that Panama would secede if the treaty was rejected and would probably come to terms with the United States for the building of the great isthmian gateway.

The revolutionary junto is composed of Jose Augustin Arjano, Frederico Boyd and Tomas Arias, who have charge of the government.

The composition of the provisional cabinet is as follows: Minister of the Government, Eusbis Morales; Minister of Finance, Dr. Manuel Amador; Minister of Foreign Relations, F. V. De La Esprilla; Minister of Justice, Carlos Mendoza; Minister of Public Instruction, N. Victoria; Minister of War and Marine, De Obarrio, Jr.

While Dr. Amador was in conference with government generals, the officer who is in command of the government warship Bogota, sent an ultimatum to the Colombian government, the time to expire at 10 p. m., yesterday, but before receiving an answer the Bogota began a bombardment of Panama. Her fire was answered by the guns of the town forts and by those of the gun-boat Padilla, which had declared in favor of the revolution. Shortly afterwards, the Bogota left the bay, but as she has very little coal on board, she will not be able to go very far. Communication by telegram with Bogota in interrupted.

The Logical Candidate.

Cleveland, O., Special—Senator Hanna, referring to the renewed suggestions made in various quarters to the effect that he is the logical Republican candidate for the presidency next year, as a result of the unprecedented victory in Ohio at Tuesday's election, made this statement: "The result of the election in Ohio Tuesday in no wise changes my opinion in reference to my proposed candidacy for the presidency, of which position the public has been fully advised."

Boy Kills a Man.

Richmond, Va., Special.—A Stuart, Patrick county, Va., special says: "William O'Dell was killed at Liberty Tuesday in a row with some boys one of whom threw a stone, striking O'Dell on the nose with sufficient force to knock him down. O'Dell fell against a log, and broke his neck. The parties concerned were arresetd.

Fought to the Death.

Wytheville, Va., Special.—A fatal shooting affray between brothers occurred Wednesday night on Potato Creek, in Grayson county, next to the North Carolina line. The brothers, Ira Halsey and Dick Halsey, had an old grudge. Dick Halsey was seated on his horse, and his brother was standing on the ground when the latter shot twice at Dick without effect. Dick dismounted and the two clinched. Dick was getting the better of the fight when Ira shot him through the heart, killing him instantly. Ira was held for trial.

In New York City schools 1,000 children have trachoma.

WILLIAMS IS LEADER

Democratic Minority Makes Nominations For House Offices

THE CAUCUS MET LAST SATURDAY

Representative McClellan Was Given An Ovation—Ex-Democratic Leader Thanked.

Washington, Special.—The Democratic members of the House, in caucus at the capitol, selected Representatives John S. Williams, of Mississippi, as the unanimous choice of the minority for Speaker. This action makes him the minority leader of the coming Congress. Representative George B. McClellan, mayor-elect of New York, received an ovation as he entered the caucus and was congratulated by his colleagues on his victory. By a rising vote, on motion of Mr. Cooper, of Texas, seconded by Mr. Williams, of Mississippi, and a half dozen others, the thanks of the caucus were extended to Mr. Richardson, of Tennessee, the retiring minority leader, for his services to the party. Mr. Richardson responded, thanking his colleagues in turn. Mr. Hay, of Virginia, presided; Messrs. Cowherd, of Missouri, and Smith, of Kentucky, acted as secretaries. Mr. Williams was placed in nomination by Mr. Cooper, of Texas. Mr. Vandiver, of Missouri, seconded the nomination, which was the only one placed before the caucus. The newly-chosen leader responded in an address, thanking the caucus.

Mr. Williams was greeted with applause as he came in and was applauded during the course of his remarks. He said the Democratic party was more united now than it had been for years and that its prospects for success at coming elections were excellent. He said he would be the mouthpiece of the party, the term "leader" being a misnomer for him.

The other nominees of the caucus are as follows: Chas. A. Edwards, of Texas, for clerk of the House; E. V. Brookshire, of Indiana, sergeant-at-arms; A. L. Julien, door-keeper; J. K. Jackson, of Alabama, postmaster; E. G. Bagby, of Virginia, chaplain; J. R. Hill, of Ohio, James English, of California, G. Knight, of Georgia, and Joseph Sinnot, special employes. Except for one of the positions of special employes, there were no contests.

Mr. Williams, of Mississippi, offered a resolution, which was adopted, providing that the Democrats be allowed one more representative on the ways and means committee and that the Democrats be given the same representation they had on committees in the Fifty-sixth Congress.

Mr. Baker, of New York, proposed the following resolution, which was referred to a committee:

"Resolved, That regardless of the practice of the Republicans, it is the sense of the caucus that its members do not accept passes or favors from the railroads."

Nine Bodies Found.

Halifax, N. C., Special.—News of a sea tragedy was brought to this port Sunday by the lighthouse steamer Tyrian, whose captain, on arriving from Sable Island, related that two weeks ago the hull of a schooner with nine decomposed bodies in it drifted ashore on the island. The name of the wrecked craft was made out as Topaz, but the name of her sailing port had been obliterated by the sea, only the first letter "S" remaining. It is believed the ill-fated vessel was the French fishing schooner Topaz, of Saint Malo, France. The bodies were all buried in the little island cemetery with appropriate services.

Operation on German Emperor.

Berlin, By Cable.—Emperor William Sunday underwent an operation for a polypus from his larynx. The operation was performed by Prof. Moritz Schmidt and was entirely successful. The only inconvenience suffered by His Majesty is that he has been enjoined not to speak until the wound caused by the operation has been healded. The bulletins announcing the result of the operation caused much astonishment, even among court officials, who had no suspicion that His Majesty was suffering from any affection of the throat.

Light-colored cloths will be seen in tailor-mades

IS YOUR HEALTH VALUABLE?

Disease is always a handicap; it unfits man for business and pleasure—sometimes temporarily, often permanently. Life is a continuous struggle, and the man or woman afflicted with a Chronic Disease is outclassed at every turn. In this age of sharp competition, no man can hope to be successful unless sound in mind and body.

DR. HATHAWAY.

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