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BRITONS WILL COME

Assurances of English Exhibits at Jamestown

TWO CHURCHES MAY ALSO MEET

President Tucker Obtains Assurance on London Visit That British Government Will Be Represented by Impressive Military and Naval Contingents.

London, By Cable.—"We are now fully assured that Great Britain will have representative military and naval contingents at Jamestown in 1907," said Harry St. George Tucker, president of the Jamestown (Va) Exposition Company, to the Associated Press. "The British government, through Foreign Secretary Lansdowne, the Admiralty and the War Office, has given me a most cordial assurance and has promised to assist in every way towards the success of the exposition."

"The day had been already prepared for me by our ambassador, Mr. Reid, and Sir Mortimer Durand, the British ambassador at Washington, who has been urging the claims of the exposition and as a result Lord Lansdowne sent the following telegram to Ambassador Durand early this month: 'His Majesty's government desires to co-operate in every way that may conduce to the success of the exposition at Jamestown, which cannot fail to excite much interest in this country. Mr. Tucker will be received with pleasure and his Majesty's government will be glad to learn from him the precise nature of the co-operation which the United States government desires.'

"Lord Lansdowne showed that he was in earnest by receiving me in a most cordial manner and sending a representative with me to the Admiralty and the War Office where in outline of the proposed displays were discussed the heads of those departments taking keenest interest in the matter. The details have not yet been worked out, but it is generally understood that Great Britain will be represented by a battleship squadron and a military contingent, the latter including every arm of the service. Special attention will be paid to the recent improvements in the instruments of military and naval warfare."

Mr. Tucker will spend a day with the archbishop of Canterbury, who has invited him to discuss the proposal for a joint meeting of the Episcopal churches of England and the United States at Jamestown during the exposition. On Wednesday he will meet heads of the Admiralty and the War Office to further discuss the details of the displays.

Armed with Great Britain's assurances, Mr. Tucker expects that his visits to other foreign capitals will be equally successful.

Mother and 5 Children Slain

Independence, Iowa, Special.—Mrs. William McWilliams and her five children, ranging from 3 to 18 years in age, were slain at their farm home and the husband and father was arrested in Independence charged with killing the members of his family. He declared himself to be innocent. Each person had been killed with a hammer blow on the head. Mrs. McWilliams was atrociously beaten, and a few knife thrusts had been inflicted on the crushed body.

Big Timber Deal

Nashville, Tenn., Special.—A Bristol, Tenn., dispatch says: J. W. Wilkinson, of Bristol, has closed a deal for seventeen million feet of lumber and timber in North Carolina. The land lies along the Southern Railroad near Asheville. The amount reported to be involved in the deal is half a million dollars.

Arrested for Burglary

Anderson, Special.—Herman Parr, a negro boy about 14 years old, has been arrested by the police and is now being held in confinement pending an investigation on the charge of burglary. During the past month about a dozen stores have been entered at night and small sums of money and merchandise stolen. The boy is a confirmed criminal, having been convicted of stealing frequently. He seems to have been the chief of a gang of small boys who have been systematically engaged in the burglary business.

Gov. Bell Won't Interfere

Walden Vermont, Special.—Governor Charles J. Bell, when informed of the decision of the Supreme Court of the United States in the case of Mrs. Mary Rogers, stated that he would not interfere in any way. He said, "with the regular arrangements for the execution of Mrs. Mary Rogers on the date set, December 8."

MRS. WIGGINS SUES

Action Against Saloon Keeper For Heavy Damages.

Asheville, Special.—Mrs. Kate Wiggins of the Salvation Army, has instituted suit for \$10,000 damages against A. A. Featherston, a liquor dealer of this city, who kicked her from his saloon several weeks ago. The complaint has not yet been filed, but it is known that the amount named will be demanded for the assault and battery and for injuries alleged to have been sustained. The criminal action against Featherston has been continued until the next term of Superior Court by order of Judge McNeill and will be heard in February.

Volunteers to Be Paid

Asheville, Special.—Sneed Adams, of this city, a lieutenant in Company H, Second Regiment, North Carolina volunteers during the Spanish-American war, has received the muster roll of Company H, raised here, and also information that the 103 men of the company are entitled to, and will receive pay for the time from their enrollment here to the mustering-in at Raleigh. The men will draw back pay and subsistence for the days intervening between enrollment and mustering-in, amounting to about \$1 a day for each man. The men of the company will draw from the government pay for from seven to twenty days, according to the date of enrollment.

Woman Burned to Death

Mrs. Gribble, a widow whose home is not very far west of Pomona, met a fearful death last Monday, the facts of which have just been made known. She lived alone, a colored woman coming to her home every morning to wait upon her. Last Tuesday morning the colored woman went there as usual and finding the doors locked, summoned assistance and opened a window, finding Mrs. Gribble lying on the floor in front of the fireplace with all her clothing burned off and her body in a crisp. The coroner deemed an inquest unnecessary. There was no fire in the fireplace when the body was discovered and it is not known at what time she met her death. Her husband was a miner and was killed in a mine a number of years ago.

Incorporations

The Wilson Wood and Lumber Company filed a certificate with the Secretary of State, changing the location of the principal office to Elizabeth City.

The Lion Stone Company, of Reidsville, with \$25,000 authorized and \$5,000 subscribed capital stock was chartered. The incorporators are: T. Davis and Lucile Harrison, of Reidsville, and S. Rue, of New York City.

The H. J. Moore Company, of Walnut, Madison county, with \$1,000 capital stock, was chartered to do a mercantile business. The principal incorporator is H. J. Moore.

Tar Heel Topics

Capt. W. B. Ryder, a well known railroad man and prominent financier of Charlotte died in a sanitarium at Battle Creek, Mich., on Monday night.

Morehead City Has Been Selected as a Permanent Camp Site for the North Carolina Soldiers.

Wilmington, Special.—At Kenansville in Duplin county Superior Court Will Carter a negro youth, was found guilty of criminal assault upon a six-year-old daughter of Howard James, of Wallace, N. C. about six weeks ago, and he was sentenced to be hanged at Kenansville, December 20th.

A Child Mangled

Asheville, Special.—One of the most horrible and distressing accidents that ever occurred on the Asheville yards of the Southern Railway happened at 8 o'clock Friday morning when Paul Redmond, the eight-year-old son of J. S. Redmond, of this city, was knocked down and run over by an engine and terribly injured. Both legs were severed from the body just below the knee, and his right arm was cut off at the elbow. The boy was hastily removed to Biltmore hospital, where he died in the afternoon.

North Carolinian Suicides

Jamestown, N. Y., Special.—A man giving his name as Rogers E. Britt, about 25 years old, committed suicide in his room in the Y. M. C. A. building here some time during the night. He left a note saying that he intended to commit suicide and requesting that no effort be made to find his friends. Letters found indicate that he was the son of R. B. Britt, of Enfield, N. C.

MORE LIVES LOST

Another Fatal Railway Wreck Leaves Death in its Wake

15 DIE IN CRASH OR BY FIRE

Massachusetts' Worst Train Disaster in Many Years Occurs When Sunday Night Express From Boston on Boston & Maine Crashes Into Rear of a Local.

Lincoln, Mass., Special.—The most disastrous railroad wreck in this State for many years occurred at 8:15 o'clock Sunday night at Kaker's Bridge station, a mile and a half west of Lincoln, on the main line of the Fitchburg division of the Boston & Maine Railroad. The regular Sunday express, which left Boston at 7:45 o'clock for Montreal via the Rutland system, crashed into the rear of a local train which started from Boston at 7:15 for points on the main line and the Marlboro branch.

At least 15 persons were killed outright, burned to death or suffocated, and 30 or more were seriously injured. Many passengers sustained minor cuts, bruises and burns.

The wreck was primarily due to thick weather, which apparently obscured signals set by the forward train, which, at the time of the disaster, was standing in front of Baker's Bridge station. The Montreal train, drawn by two locomotives and consisting also of nine cars crashed into the rear of the Marlboro branch local, demolishing the two rear cars.

All of the passengers killed and seriously injured were in these. The passengers lived in Concord, West Acton, Maynard, Hudson, Marlboro and several smaller towns in the Asabet Valley. None of the passengers on the Montreal train were seriously hurt but the engineer and fireman of the leading locomotive were killed.

The wreckage caught fire and some of the passengers were incinerated. Few persons live in the vicinity of Baker's Bridge station and no fire department was available, so that the flames practically burned themselves out. Uninjured passengers and a number of train hands, assisted by villagers, went to the aid of the injured and many persons were rescued.

A special train with doctors was sent from Boston at 9:35 o'clock, and reached here in half an hour. Many doctors from Waltham and other places in this section were sent to the scene in carriage and by other trains.

Bank Clearings for the Week

New York, Special.—The following table, compiled by Bradstreet, shows the bank clearings at a number of the principal cities for the week ended Nov. 24, with the percentage of increase and decrease as compared with the corresponding week last year. Seventy-two other cities are included in the totals:

New York \$2,024,787,173, increase 15.9; Chicago \$218,716,490, increase 36.3; Boston \$153,966,899, increase 21.0; Philadelphia \$150,689,060, increase 36.7; New Orleans \$26,840,940, increase 37.7; Louisville \$12,559,206, increase 31.6; Memphis \$7,838,792, increase 25.5; Richmond \$5,412,955, decrease 5.7; Atlanta \$4,657,161, increase 36.9; Nashville \$3,681,370, increase 28.3; Norfolk \$2,457,426, increase 29.5; Augusta, Ga., \$2,589,622, increase 71.9; Knoxville \$1,321,811, increase 26.0; Charleston, S. C., \$1,702,436, increase 40.7; Chattanooga \$1,315,895, increase 75.1; Jacksonville, Fla., \$1,297,089, increase 76.7; Macon \$647,443, increase 72.5; Savannah \$7,059,930, increase 67.1.

Total United States \$3,091,635,711, increase 20.5; outside New York \$1,066,851,568, increase 20.6.

Heresy Trial of Dr. Bradley

Newman, Ga., Special.—At the meeting of the North Georgia Conference of the Methodist Episcopal Church, South, here Bishop W. W. Duncan appointed a committee to investigate charges of heresy against Rev. H. S. Bradley, D. D., of Atlanta. These charges were preferred by Rev. J. N. Snow, of Atlanta. The committee appointed by Bishop Duncan is composed of Dr. C. W. Byrd, of Augusta, Ga.; Dr. Luke G. Johnson, of Rome, and Rev. J. A. Sharp, of Dalton.

Gross Boondoggle Case

Little Rock, Ark., Special.—The legislative boondoggle cases were brought to trial here. The case of Senator A. T. Gross is the first one on the calendar. Both the State and defendants have accumulated a monumental mass of evidence for the fight, which is expected to be one of the bitterest legislative battles ever waged in the State.

Big Lumber Deal

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MAY GET \$100,000

Proposition That May Mean a Great Deal to the A. & M. College.

The Agricultural and Mechanical College may be the recipient of a gift of \$100,000. This is a piece of very interesting news. A gentleman connected with a very great educational movement says that the money can easily be secured if the college, that is the State, will accept the building and maintain them. It is understood that the gift will be in the line of marked development of this now notable and rapidly growing institution, which is so much in need of more of what may be termed house-room, and of course in need of special buildings for the development both of its agricultural and its mechanical departments.

A Comparative Statement

State Auditor Dixon wrote to every auditor of Southern States, asking the amount paid Confederate pensioners and the number of such pensioners. The replies in round numbers are as follows: Texas, \$500,000, 7,000 pensioners; Tennessee, \$275,000, 3,000 pensioners; Louisiana, \$150,000, 2,000 pensioners; Arkansas, \$203,000, 7,000 pensioners; Georgia, \$790,000, 16,000 pensioners; Florida, \$288,000, 3,000 pensioners; South Carolina, \$856,000, 15,000 pensioners; Virginia, \$300,000, 14,000 pensioners; North Carolina's appropriation is \$275,000 and there are 14,000 pensioners. Auditor Dixon said: "In proportion to the number of pensioners, North Carolina pays her Confederate veterans less than any other Southern State. It pains me deeply to have to say this, but it is the truth. I did not know it until now."

Three Years for a Slayer

Spencer, Special.—Whitman Hardy was tried in Rowan Superior court here and convicted of the murder of Zeke Young, colored, in East Spencer, September 3. Judge Peebles sentenced the prisoner to three years in the State Penitentiary for the crime. Two young white men, Stirwalt and Butler by name, were sentenced by Judge Peebles to three years each in the State Prison for assaulting and beating Mrs. Lizzie Upright, a well known character of the northern section of Rowan county, in a frightful manner in the assault upon the woman.

The Southern Double Tracking

Salisbury, Special.—In order to provide for the demands of heavy traffic upon its lines the Southern Railway Company is double tracking at a number of points in this section of the State. At the present time a double track is being constructed between Cleveland and Barber's Junction, on the Western branch. This is a vital point in the handling of freight not only on the Asheville division, but also on the line between Winston-Salem and Charlotte. Lines have recently been staked out for a double track on the main line of the Southern north of Spencer, where there is a congestion of traffic. It is learned the work of laying the track will begin at an early date.

Corporations

The Filayson Manufacturing company of Charlotte, with \$5,000,000 total authorized and \$50,000 subscribed capital stock, was chartered last week. The object of the concern is to manufacture cotton, woolen and silk goods. The incorporators are: E. V. Filayson, Paul Chatham and W. A. Ebert. The Hendersonville Mercantile Company, with \$11,000 capital stock, was chartered. The incorporators are: C. M. Pace and M. C. Tamps, of Hendersonville, and others.

Jury's Verdict Set Aside

Oxford, Special.—In the suit of Prof. R. G. Kittrell against the board of trustees of the Oxford graded school the jury rendered a verdict in favor of Professor Kittrell, which, however, was set aside by Judge Ward on the grounds that the weight of facts did not justify the verdict. The case will come up before a new jury at the next term of court.

Bank Organized at Graham

Graham, Special.—The stockholders of the Citizens' Bank here met according to call and elected as directors J. A. Long, McBride-Holt, A. M. Hadley, A. J. Thompson, J. S. Cook, J. C. McCracken, Dr. Geo. W. Long, J. M. Simmons, W. J. Niek, Heenan Hughes, W. F. Blackmon, W. H. Holt, W. S. Vestal, J. L. S. Patterson, V. W. Garrett. The directors elected Jacob A. Long, president; McBride Holt vice-president; and Chas. C. Thompson, cashier. A committee was appointed to procure a location, a safe and the necessary supplies for beginning business.

Revenue Officer Indicted

Wilmington, Special.—The grand jury in Duplin Superior Court returned in a body a true bill for murder against J. C. Stancil and D. C. Downing, revenue officers of prominence in this section. It is alleged that Downing and Stancil shot and killed Watson Jernigan, a white man, while searching for a blockade still in the county several weeks ago.

1 KILLED: 5 INJURED

Result of Collision on Pennsylvania Railroad

25 FREIGHT CARS DEMOLISHED

Two West-Bound Freights Were Wrecked on Pennsylvania Railroad Near Harrisburg, by Rear End Collision.

Harrisburg, Pa., Special.—One man killed, five injured and twenty-five freight cars, two postal cars, one baggage car and one Pullman car totally wrecked as the result of a rear end collision of two west bound freights, and the subsequent collision of a passenger train into a wreck on the Pennsylvania Railroad at Thompsonstown. D. G. Huitsbee, brakeman of Harrisburg, is the man who was killed.

Branch Died From Blows

Annapolis, Md., Special.—The prosecution used its heavy artillery in the line of medical testimony during Thursday's session of the court martial which is trying Midshipman Meriwether for manslaughter in connection with the death of Midshipman Branch. Important witnesses being Dr. J. M. T. Finney, chief surgeon of the John's Hopkins University, of Baltimore; Dr. Henry M. Thomas, neurologist of the same institution and J. C. Byrnes, the chief medical officer attached to the Naval Academy.

The operation upon Midshipman Branch, consisting of lifting and folding over a portion of the skull in order to remove such blood clots as might be formed, was performed by Dr. Finney, and Dr. Thomas, the specialist in that line, came to Annapolis at Dr. Finney's request in order to locate from the symptoms the proper place for the operation. Dr. Byrnes was called in consultation with Dr. Stone shortly after Branch had been brought to the hospital.

Much evidence of a deeply interesting, though sometimes technical character, was given by the medical men. One point of interest brought out in explanation of the fact that the skull was opened on the right side, that the nerves controlling one side of the body cross from the opposite of the brain, while the nerves controlling the facial muscles do not. It was further brought out that the injury, though on the right side, was occasioned by the successive fist blows on the left side of the head. The injury was of the nature of blows to the skull on one side of the head having the effect of forcing the brains against the walls of the skull and causing compression in that way.

All the medical officers gave it as their very positive conviction that Branch died from the effect of the medically known as "contre coup." The blows he had received in his fight with Meriwether.

Big Fire in Cotton

Augusta, Ga., Special.—Augusta was visited by a fire which destroyed or damaged one thousand bales of cotton, and also damaged the warehouse in which the staple was stored. There is no possible explanation of the cause of the fire, as the compartment in which it originated had not been opened for two days, and there were no signs of fire before the blaze burst forth. The warehouse is owned by Nixon and Danforth and the building and contents were fully covered by insurance. The loss is estimated to be in the neighborhood of \$40,000. The fire is now under control.

Fire at Indianapolis

Indianapolis, Ind., Special.—Fire caused damage to the stock of the Regner Furniture Company to the amount of \$75,000 and injured the two seven-story buildings on Washington street occupied by the company to the extent of \$10,000. The Columbia National Bank which occupied an adjoining building was damaged by water. During the progress of the fire securities to the amount of \$600,000 were removed from the bank for safety.

Tragedy Follows Marriage

Anniston, Ala., Special.—J. E. Phillips, a well known farmer, was shot and instantly killed near Hills-Creek bridge, a few miles from Obel postoffice, by Will Cline, another farmer. The son of Phillips witnessed the shooting. Cline made his escape. Phillips' son ran away recently with the daughter of Cline and they were married here.

Lynched for Killing a Man

Coahoma, Miss., Special.—Dave Sims, the negro who shot and killed R. F. Jones (white), at his home one mile from Maugh Station, in this county on Sunday night, was lynched by an armed mob at the scene of his crime. Sims was captured Friday and immediately brought to this place. The negro is said to have made a full confession.

NEWSY GLEANINGS

Eugene Field day served in the Missouri schools. The schoolgirls of San Francisco, Cal., have taken kindly to the bar-headed habit.

The taxpayers of Eastern London are complaining bitterly of the rigor of the assessment. Great plans are being laid in England to make the young men of that island good rifle shots.

The cost of completing the elevated railroad in Tokio will be included in the next Japanese budget.

Miss Maxine Gorky protests against the story so often told of her husband that he was born in poverty.

The blueberry canning factory at Island Point, Va., has just shut down after canning 300,000 gallons of product.

The Italian Government offers a prize of \$2000 for the plan of a dwelling best suited to the climatic conditions of Italy.

Fifty thousand acres of alfalfa were raised in the Greeley district of Colorado this year, three crops being cut during the season.

Fercy T. Prather, of Clearspring, Md., who died a few days ago, provided in his will that his coffin should not cost over \$30 and his tombstone but \$20.

At the conference of naphtha producers at St. Petersburg the loss of property at Baku during the recent revolution was estimated at \$22,000,000.

Captain Simpkins, of the sloop John A. Warner, caught with ninety-one bushels of unculled oysters on board, was fined at Annapolis, Md., \$85.49, including costs.

Austen Leigh, an authority on all matters pertaining to Eton, has discovered that Thomas Lynch, one of the signers of the Declaration of Independence, was an Etonian.

Seven More Days Given

Richmond, Special.—The board of visitors of the Virginia Military Institute was in session here, considering the matter of the refractiveness of certain cadets at the West Point of the South. It rejected the compromise paper prepared under the Government's auspices, and gave the recalcitrant students seven more days in which to comply with the regulations of the institute or be dismissed.

After the Drug Stores

Washington, Special.—Drug stores that sell any of the well-known alcoholic tonics which though advertised as medicines for diseases are composed chiefly of distilled spirits, must take out federal license as retail rum sellers after April 1st, 1906. Such was a decision of the Commissioner of Internal Revenue who also gave notice that manufacturers would be required to take out license after the first of the year.

New York Teamsters Strike

New York, Special.—A general strike of truck drivers was begun in New York city Monday. 320 union teamsters quitting work. The strike is against the Team Owner's Association, which employs several thousand drivers and does most of the heavy trucking in wholesale districts and about the steamship piers. It resulted from a resolution of the Teamsters' Union calling a general strike unless the owners immediately forced their non-union employees to join the union.

Orient Mfg. company Sold

Charlotte, Special.—The entire plant of the Orient Manufacturing Company was sold at auction at the courthouse to the Calvine Manufacturing Company. The purchase price being \$900,000. The sale was made by Lodge Armistead Burwell for W. E. Twenty, receiver, by virtue of a decree of the Superior Court of Mecklenburg county in an action entitled J. G. Johnson vs. the Orient Manufacturing Company.

Breaking the Ground

Raleigh, Special.—Work was begun on the new St. Agnes hospital at St. Augustine school last week when the first ground was broken. This will be one of the most complete negro institutions of the kind in the South, and the building alone will cost \$15,000. The building will be completed before the next school year. The work on the building will be done principally by the young men students of St. Augustine School, and many of them will be enabled by money earned thus to finish their college course.

Rev. W. R. Bradshaw preached the sermon at the dedication of the Baptist church at Wilkesboro on Sunday. The Chronicle said it was a magnificent sermon and a great crowd was present.

Rev. J. G. Garth of Murfreesboro, Tenn., has been called to the pastorate of the New Bern Presbyterian church. He is a strong man, young and of popular address.

Anyway, a woman knows better than to advise a man about how he can make shaving easy.

There is a new idea to protect typewriters from being tampered with. A New York man has had made a keyboard on which there are no letters or figures. The diagram of the keys is printed on a celluloid card, which he places in front of him as one does a piece of music. As long as he keeps his diagram in front of him he can write. When he removes it, neither he nor any one else can operate the machine accurately.

NORTH STATE NEWS

Items of Interest Gleaned from Various Sections

FROM MOUNTAIN TO SEASHORE

Minor Occurrences of the Week of Interest to Tar Heels Told in Paragraphs.

Charlotte Cotton Market

The cotton market firm. Low middling 10 1/2
Strict low middling 10 1/4
Middling 11
Good middling 11 1/2

General Cotton Market

Atlanta, firm 11 3/4
Galveston, firm 11 1/2
New Orleans, firm 11 1/2
Mobile, firm 11 1/2
Savannah, steady 11 1/2
Charleston, firm 11 1/4
Wilmington, steady 11 1/4
Norfolk, firm 11 3/8
Baltimore, nominal 11 1/2
New York, steady 11 1/2
Boston, steady 11 1/2
Philadelphia, firm 12
Houston, steady 11 1/2
Augusta, firm 11 1/2
Memphis, firm 11 1/2
St. Louis, steady 11 1/2
Louisville, firm 11 1/4

25 New Pharmacists

The State board of pharmacy announces that 25 of the applicants for licenses to practice in this State who stood the examination recently in Raleigh were successful and six failed. Two of those successful were negroes. The list follows: H. M. Bell, Windsor; Warren H. Biggs, Williamson; M. N. Bogart, Washington; Walter Bushmann, Greensboro; J. E. Denton, High Point; E. S. Cooke, Goldsboro; S. P. Fletcher, Harrisburg, Va.; J. S. Hall, Fayetteville; H. M. Harper, Richmond; A. K. Hardee, Benson; W. A. Jetton, Davidson; Dr. A. A. Kent, Lenoir; T. O. Levister, Raleigh; G. F. McGee, Greensboro; J. M. Morgan, Sanford; E. G. Mullins, Charlotte; L. G. O'Brien, Winston-Salem; R. E. Parker, Durham; C. A. Ring, High Point; R. B. Suggs, Belmont; J. N. Thomas, Warrenton; F. L. White, Mebane; J. H. Eaton (colored) Winston; W. F. McNair (colored) Greensboro.

A Youth Missing

New Bern, Special.—Willie Rogers, the 17-year old son of Capt. Rogers, of this city, is supposed to be drowned. Willie was served as deck hand on the steamer tug Edmond Parks. While the boat was lying at the wharf of Let owners, the Blades Lumber Company, Capt. Parks called to Willie, who was on a flat which was in tow, but no response was heard. An investigation was made, and nothing could be seen of the boy, but his hat was found floating on the water. A report was made to the company which immediately notified his father. A diligent search has been going on all day, but up to this time he has not been found.

Arrested For Firing Barn

Charlotte, Special.—Roy Monroe, colored, was lodged in the county jail charged with the burning of Mr. J. S. Reid's barn with six head of horses. The fire occurred ten days ago. The negro has admitted causing the fire but says it was entirely unintentional; that he was in the act of lighting a pipe and carelessly threw the match in a pile of hay that was near the building.

Farmers Signing Pledge

Tarboro, Special.—Mr. E. F. McRae, of Maxton, special representative of the Southern Cotton Association, was here to put in operation a plan to secure pledges from farmers to hold cotton for 15 cents. Mr. McRae is making a tour of the cotton belt of the State and says pledges are being signed very promptly.

Dashed Into a Street Car

Winston-Salem, Special.—George White, colored, aged about thirty-five years, and the horse he was riding were killed by a street car on North Liberty street. The negro was riding down the street, and upon meeting the car the animal became frightened and dashed in front of the car, running his head into the headlight. The car ran on both horse and rider, and it required an hour or more to get it off them. White and the animal were badly mangled. The accident is the worst that has ever befallen the street railway company.

State News Notes

We learn that big forest fires were raging last week in Elk and Lewis Fork township. Large areas of the mountain section were burnt over. It is estimated that the fire spread over four miles one day last week. It is reported that the Barnhardt Lumber Company lost about 150,000 feet of lumber in the fire.