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EDITORIAL BRIEFS

"Near Beer" will have to take a back seat since New Bern has come forward with "monkey rum."

Senator Flint is grappling with the Corporation tax measure. He will doubtless make the fire fly.

Since the Elsie Seigel murder, the New York police have changed the song to: "All Chinks Look Alike to Me."

Some one should offer a reward for the capture and return of that penitentiary surplus that disappeared just after the last campaign.

How can the Democratic politicians ask the people to support their platform next time after repudiating the last platform upon which they were elected?

We have heard the question asked "what is a Democrat?" which seems to be a very momentous question, but we would also like to know why is a Democrat?

Senator Tillman dined at the White House the other day. Is it possible that he was seated in the chair Booker T. occupied on a certain famous occasion?

It is said that "squirrel brand" whiskey will make them climb trees and we suppose that "monkey rum" will make them do stunts on the top of a telegraph pole.

A Democratic exchange says that their Congressmen who have deserted the platform should be retired to private life. We hear no objection from our side of the house.

A Democratic exchange says that it does not make so much difference who actually wrote the platform of the last Democratic convention. In fact, it doesn't seem to make any difference at all.

The Greensboro Record wonders whereabouts the Democratic platform will be when the next National Convention meets. We surmise that it will be in the dark, just where it has been ever since it was made.

Congressman "Brother Claude" Kitchin says Senator Simmons: "He opposed my brother for the nomination for Governor," and also: "His political days are numbered." Is there any connection between the two expressions?

It is said that a man can't help giggling his big toe when he tells a fib. Now, we wonder if Josephus' sock needed darned after he got through making the announcement that he didn't want Senator Simmons' seat?

While Governor Kitchin is granting those numerous pardons, why can't he issue one to each of the two Senators and six Congressmen who are accused of voting against the Democratic platform? Is it the offense is too heinous, or does Trial Judge Josephus refuse a recommendation?

It is to be regretted that Dr. C. A. Schenck has decided to leave Biltmore and locate abroad. Dr. Schenck has conducted a forestry school at Mt. Pisgah for fifteen years and his instruction has been of great value to the State in these times when the subject of forestry is attracting attention. His leaving is a real loss.

The Greenville Reflector in speaking of the Democratic Congressmen who have deserted their platform, concludes that either the Congressmen are wrong or the platform was wrong. Well, both are wrong. The platform was wrong to begin with, but after it was adopted the Democratic Representatives have done wrong in not standing by it.

In speaking of the condition of the National Democracy, the New York Sun (Dem.) pictures it as a "derelict ship laboring in the trough of the sea, with her spars gone, her hold afloat and her flag in strips." And it further adds that "the Solid South is breaking up and Democratic principles are become a jest and a byword." And what is true of the party in the nation is now coming to pass in North Carolina. The party is so split up in this State that it is impossible to tell who constitutes the real Democratic party—if there is such a thing as a real Democratic party.

SUGAR TRUST DIRECTORS INDICTED.

Federal Grand Jury's Bill Contains Fourteen Counts Which Accuse Company of Conspiracy in Restraint of Trade and Other Unlawful Acts.

The Federal grand jury in New York has returned a bill of indictment against the officials of the Sugar Trust. The following account appeared in Friday's New York World:

"John E. Parsons, millionaire church member and philanthropist; five other directors of the American Sugar Refining Company, all more or less prominent and wealthy; Gustav E. Kissel, banker and society man; Thomas B. Harned, of Philadelphia, and the powerful and obnoxious Sugar Trust itself were indicted yesterday by the Federal Grand Jury, charged with having violated the Sherman Anti-Trust law.

"Conspiracy is the definite charge against the defendants. 'Conspiracy in restraint of trade' is what the Sherman law calls the offense, which is a misdemeanor under the Federal statute. The maximum punishment is a fine of \$5,000 and one year in prison. This sentence may be imposed for each of the fourteen counts in the indictment handed up yesterday. The extreme sentence imposed on each defendant would therefore mean a total in fines of \$630,000 and fourteen years in jail for each of the following:

"John E. Parsons, Sugar Trust director and counsel.
"Washington B. Thomas, president of the Sugar Trust.
"Arthur Donner, vice-president and treasurer of the Sugar Trust.
"Charles H. Senff, Sugar Trust director.
"George H. Frazier, Sugar Trust director.
"Gustav E. Kissel, banker, Sugar Trust agent.
"Thomas B. Harned, Philadelphia, lawyer.
"The ninth indictment was against the Trust, as a corporation, and the punishment is a \$5,000 fine."

Drank Carbolic Acid for Whiskey and Dies.

Durham, N. C., July 5.—Ex-Policeman L. D. O'Kelly, a brother of Dr. J. M. O'Kelly, of this place, died suddenly yesterday morning as the result of drinking carbolic acid for whiskey.

Mr. O'Kelly had suffered during the night, and awoke complaining. He thought he had a bottle partly filled with whiskey and took it from his mantle. In a moment after swallowing it he was in agony, and remained so until forty minutes later. Dr. O'Kelly was with him till the end. Nothing could be done for him.

Mr. O'Kelly had served two years on the police force, during which time he won for his good nature the sobriquet, "Happy Hooligan." He had not been on the force in two years, and since that time he had been known as a carpenter. He was fifty-three years of age and leaves a family of wife and seven children.

Boiler Explosion Kills Two.

Winston-Salem, N. C., July 6.—Mr. A. A. Potts was killed and his son mortally wounded by the explosion of the boiler of a threshing machine on the G. A. Allison place, one-half mile from Advance yesterday morning. Mr. Potts was killed almost instantly and the son was fearfully scalded and bruised. Mr. Potts was about 45 years old and his son is about 21.

Some one allowed the water to get too low in the boiler and when fresh water was added the thing exploded with a noise that was heard miles away. The top of Mr. Pott's head was literally blown off.

Mr. Potts is survived by a widow and several children. He was an industrious farmer and was held in high esteem.

Blind Tigers Caught.

North Wilkesboro, N. C., July 6.—Quite a sensation has occurred in town yesterday and to-day. For a few weeks there has been an unusual amount of liquor sold here and a detective was gotten to work up the cases. As a result, there has been about twenty arrests made, including some prominent citizens. There is noticeable excitement and tension and the cases will be heard before Major Jenkins to-morrow at the opera-house.

The mayor is determined to kill the blind tiger business, and is well supported.

Big Tobacco Bust News.

Winston-Salem, N. C., July 4.—Stamp sales at the internal revenue office here show that 40,626,252 pounds of tobacco were shipped from here in the last fiscal year, ending June 30th. Uncle Sam got \$2,437,575.16 from the manufacturers here, an increase over the previous year of \$300,000, and an increase of about five million pounds in shipments. It is estimated that the enormous sum of \$16,250,000 was the income to local manufacturers from the tobacco industry alone.

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Durham Herald.] We are not prepared to say just how prohibitive is working in this town and we do not care. It is not supposed that anybody is getting it who does not want it.

WASHINGTON NEWS

Tariff Bill Approaching Completion—Conner Appointment an Object Lesson.

MACHINE RULE MUST END

The Appointment of the Democratic Judge Rouses the Rank and File of Republican Party—Hopes of Further Democratic Appointments Doomed to Failure—A Valuable Lesson.

(Special to The Caucasian.)

Washington, D. C., July 16, 1909.—The intense heat during the past week may or may not have had something to do with hastening the work of the extra session of Congress; but, at any rate, much progress has been made. The schedules of the proposed Senate tariff bill are practically complete.

The tax of 2 per cent on the net earnings of corporations, exempting all with dividends under five thousand dollars, has been passed, which measure is in the nature of an income tax as to corporations alone. In addition, a resolution submitting a constitutional amendment to the Legislatures of the States, providing for an income tax as to all incomes, has also been adopted.

The extra tax placed upon tobacco for the purpose of raising revenue during the Spanish War has been repealed, or rather adjusted, so that all of the double tax does not fall on the consumer. It will be remembered that the tobacco manufacturers were permitted during the war to lessen the size of their packages of tobacco and sell them at the same price on account of an increased tax on tobacco. When the Spanish War taxes were repealed it seems that the size of the packages was overlooked; hence the American tobacco manufacturers have been collecting the full price for a short bag or plug of tobacco ever since that war and putting the whole sum in their own pockets.

Ammonia has been placed on the free list, which will make a great saving in the cost of fertilizers for the farmers.

Cotton bagging has also been put on the free list, and the duty on cotton ties cut in half, which will mean a big item to the cotton industry.

The outlook now is that the bill may become a law by the first of August or soon thereafter.

Democrats Much in Evidence.

It is noticeable that more Democratic politicians from North Carolina and the South generally are to be seen in Washington around the hotels and the Capitol than is usual when a Republican administration is giving out patronage.

This has caused some little comment to the effect that the hopes of many Democratic politicians have been raised to the point where they really believe they can land a considerable part of the offices under this administration.

The appointment of Connor (a Democrat) for Judge in the Eastern District of North Carolina, of course, has done much to give color to these hopes, because it has made Democratic politicians believe that they stood a chance of getting jobs even when there were plenty of Republicans equally as competent for the places, to say the least. But it is believed that these Democratic office-seekers are doomed to disappointment, for it is not thought that the President will be misled again to the extent that he was in appointing a Democrat for Judge in North Carolina.

A Valuable Lesson.

On the other hand, the prominent Republicans who have come here from North Carolina as well as from other Southern States are inclined to believe that the action of President Taft in appointing a Democrat for Judge in the Eastern District will have a most wholesome effect in the long run upon the party organizations in the South.

CAPTURED "MONKEY RUM" OUTFIT.

New Kind of Moonshine Outfit Captured by Revenue Officers Near New Bern—Deputy Collector Has Narrow Escape.

New Bern, N. C., July 2.—One of the most extensive moonshine outfits was raided and destroyed here today that has yet been known in this section. The circumstances are not without exciting details. Deputy Collector J. E. Cameron and J. C. Meekins, with a posse of men, captured a still in operation near Bridgeton about two miles from here and also captured the owner of the place, Arthur Ippock. The still had a fifty-gallon capacity. Ten fermenters were also destroyed. Two hundred gallons of beer were confiscated and destroyed. The usual paraphernalia was destroyed by the officers.

Ippock broke away from the officers and came back at Deputy Collector Cameron with a double barreled shotgun, but he was chased into the bushes and disarmed. In the melee two or three shots were exchanged. Deputy Cameron was unharmed, and it is not known whether Ippock was wounded or not. Cameron had a very narrow escape. The beverage still makes it not whiskey, but "monkey rum," which has just as exhilarating effect as the stronger and more carefully prepared liquors. A posse is scouring the country for Ippock and probably he will be captured within a few hours as he is surrounded.

AN UNUSUAL DIVORCE SUIT.

Divorced Couple Who Had Since Married Others Now Want to Re-Marry.

A special from Durham to Thursday's Raleigh Times, gives the following account of a unique divorce suit that has been instituted in the courts of that city:

"City Attorney R. O. Everett today actually began one of the most unique divorce and re-marriage suits that any court has ever had to settle.

"Probably seven or eight years ago E. A. Carrington, of this county, a well-connected fellow, married Miss Mary Young. They lived together several years, but became a rather imprudent and careless husband. Last year they were divorced duly on the grounds of non-support. March of this year, Carrington married Katie Jernigan, the wife of Perdue Jernigan, who had become the same sort of husband as Carrington had been. It seems that there was no action for divorce brought in this case, and the Jernigan woman did not wait the required seven years in which to make the rebuttal supposition that her husband was dead.

"Recently the first Mrs. Carrington has shown signs of returning affection, the child was the connecting link, and she has completely won the husband of the Jernigan woman. He has gone crazy for the second time over her and wants to re-marry her. Today he began a suit against the second Mrs. Carrington in the civil courts for annulment of the marital contract and indicts her for bigamy.

The relatives of the good, divorced Mrs. Carrington do not want her to marry the fellow again, but she has made up her mind to do it. The second Mrs. Carrington is from Sampson County and her first husband, "though dead, yet lives."

Monument to Captain Burns.

Burnsville, N. C., July 5.—To-day was a great day in the history of Burnsville and Yancey County. An immense crowd was present, brought together to witness the unveiling of the monument to the late Capt. Otway Burns and the ceremonies incident thereto. The ceremonies were conducted by the Grand Lodge of Masons of North Carolina. The orator of the occasion was Chief Justice Walter Clark, who paid high and just tributes to Captain Burns, the statesman, soldier and sailor.

The exercises were of a most interesting character and were interspersed with patriotic songs by a choir of fifty voices.

An immense basket dinner took place on the grounds.

The statue is a masterpiece of bronze mounted on a granite base. It is a gift to the town by Hon. W. F. Burns, of New York, a grandson of Captain Burns.

Another Good Democrat Gone Wrong.

Charlotte, N. C., July 2.—A shortage of sixty-one hundred dollars facing him and the attendant degradation following an exposure did not deter the city clerk of the town of Rock Hill, South Carolina, from making a clean breast of the whole affair, and quitting the office without delay, according to a special received here today. For over a decade Mr. C. S. May has been the trusted guardian of the town funds. May, at last accounts had not been apprehended.

COTTON CROP SHORT

Will Not Exceed Twelve Million Bales According to Government Report

COTTON JUMPS \$3 A BALE

And the Price May Go Even Higher.

General Trade Improves and a Heavy Yield Will Be Needed to Meet the Increased Demand—Heavy Rains and the Boll Weevil Will Cause a Short Crop in Texas. Excitement on Cotton Exchange.

New York, July 2.—Cotton review. That cotton should have continued to advance is not at all surprising. The developments of the week have been almost uniformly bullish, and to cap the climax the bureau report today proved to be sensational. Its figures were followed by a violent rise of about \$3.00 a bale. The condition of 74.6 as stated by the government is 6 per cent below the condition at this time last year and 6.2 per cent under the average at this time for the past ten years. The advocates of still higher prices contend that this report makes it as clear as anything possibly can that all ideas of a crop in excess of 12,000,000 bales must be abandoned, and they take the ground that unless ideal conditions prevail during July and August the outcome is likely to be under rather than over those figures. However that may be, today's report apparently puts the quietus upon all estimates in the neighborhood of 12,500,000 bales to say nothing of higher guesses. Meantime improvement in general trade is reported from various sections of the country while in the textile industry itself there is no dearth of indications that trade is likely to keep on expanding throughout the season and that a heavy yield of cotton will be needed. The contention of the bulls is that the yield is certain to fall below the consumption and acting on this belief they have bought heavily and persistently. There has been steady demands for print cloths and it is expected that the price of cloths will be advanced after the holidays. Spot markets at the South have advanced. The stock of raw cotton here has decreased materially, and it is reported that freight room has been engaged for some 40,000 bales for shipment out of the local supply. Further rains have fallen in the Eastern belt and the reports from Texas go to show that boll weevil damage is increasing. As the crop in that State is admittedly two weeks late it is expected that the damage from weevil will be more extensive than was the case last season. Cars have been routed and bulls, flushed with recent successes are predicting much higher prices ultimately.

Rural Carriers' Meeting.

Charlotte, N. C., July 5.—The North Carolina Rural Carriers' Association convened in this city in its sixth annual session this morning and all day the streets were alive with the men who distribute Uncle Sam's mail to the country folk. The delegates represent every corner of the State and are here in large numbers. After an address of welcome to the city, Mr. T. V. Howell responded for the Association. Members of the various committees were next appointed so that they will have ample time in which to prepare their reports.

The topics discussed to-day was the following: "Mutual Benefit Insurance," by Messrs. R. C. Gore, T. S. Royster and others.

The afternoon was devoted to a memorial service at the court-house. These formal exercises were followed by an automobile ride over the roads of the county.

To-night is being given over to social pleasures and to a discussion of what the rural carriers of South Carolina say to the rural carriers of North Carolina, the question being modeled after the famous inquiry, "What did the Governor of North Carolina say to the Governor of South Carolina on a certain historic occasion?" In this debate Mr. T. E. Wicker, of South Carolina, member of the National Executive Committee of his State, while Messrs. L. D. Hamlin, T. A. May and other Tar Heels attempted to make judicious and weighty response to this question as North Carolinians.

Bodies of Infants Dug Up in Isolated Spot Near Wilmington.

Wilmington, N. C., July 2.—Something in the nature of a sensation was sprung in police circles today when it was reported that a fisherman digging bait across the river from the city on an isolated island known as Point Peter, had unearthed the body of an infant buried only a few inches under the earth. Subsequent investigation by an officer and the coroner disclosing that four others, three white and one colored, had been likewise buried in the same locality. A colored undertaker's helper has been arrested, charged with criminal knowledge of the interments, but none of the infants has been identified.

EARLY GOES TO NEW YORK.

Alleged Leper is Allowed to Leave Washington.

Washington, July 3.—John R. Early, the alleged leper, who has been quarantined in a camp near this city since last August, and who since has attracted widespread interest by the sharp controversies into which specialists have been drawn, over the nature of his ailment, left Washington at 10:45 o'clock, locked in a baggage car attached to the regular Pennsylvania Railroad train. Early will enter the Skin and Cancer Hospital at New York for treatment under Dr. L. Duncan Bulkeley.

Forty New Dentists.

Winston-Salem, N. C., July 6.—Dr. R. H. Jones, retiring secretary of the Examining Board of the North Carolina Dental Association, this afternoon announced the successful applicants for license, who stood the examination at Asheville June 23rd. They are as follows:

- C. L. Hutchison, Norfolk, Va.
- H. L. Keith, Currie.
- T. R. Ballard, Hayne.
- J. F. Gambill, North Wilkesboro.
- E. F. Watson, Clinton.
- J. W. Thompson, Andrews.
- G. F. Whitfield, LaGrange.
- J. S. Wells, Cedar Grove.
- B. C. Smathers, Canton.
- J. K. Hunt, Jonesboro.
- Oscar L. Moore, Rufus.
- H. N. Simpson, Stoneville.
- J. S. Hoffman, Henry.
- John W. Robinson, Axton, Va.
- W. A. Ray, Sanford.
- W. A. Moss, Marshall.
- Wm. Parker, Albemarle.
- W. B. Johnson, Smithfield.
- C. G. Barker, Nichols.
- C. H. Davis, Blanton, Va.
- S. M. Long, St. Mary, Ba.
- C. L. Robbins, Lenoir.
- C. U. Vorts, Mooresville.
- A. D. Abernethy, Hickory.
- J. F. Coltrane, Franklinton.
- John F. Anderson, Statesville.
- E. N. Lawrence, Raleigh.
- W. N. Hall, Aberdeen.
- J. R. Jordan, Barnesville, Ga.
- John M. Gardner, Macon.
- M. E. Hoffman, Henry.
- Wm. Fleming, Marion.
- J. V. Davis, East Bends.
- E. H. Hopkins, Brown Summit.

Colored.

C. A. Dunston, Raleigh.- A. S. Hunter, Durham.
- E. B. Dudley, New Bern.
- A. M. Rivera, Durham.
- Thos. Watkins, Washington, D. C.

Six Burned to Death.

Danville, Va., July 5.—As a result of a mysterious fire which totally destroyed the home of S. E. Hamlett, at South Boston, early this morning, five of their children and H. A. Strange, aged 74, were burned to death, and another child, aged 4 years, seriously injured. Mr. and Mrs. Hamlett escaped without injury.

Mr. Hamlett resided in a two-story frame building on the west side of the city. The fire was discovered at about 3 o'clock this morning by neighbors. At this hour the occupants of the house had not been aroused, and the building was almost completely enveloped in flames, the fire raging worst on the south side of the structure.

The residence was threatening to fall in at almost any minute, when Mr. Hamlett and his wife were aroused. They were on the north side of the house and their 4-year-old child was in the same room. They crawled out of the window on the front porch and dropped the child to the ground. Both of the child's arms were broken by the fall. The baby was also slightly burned and its face lacerated.

All of the occupants of the building were sleeping on the second story and those who met death were on the south side of the house. When the fire was discovered it was impossible to save any of the children or Mr. Strange, all of whom it is thought had been burned to death by this time. Mr. Strange was a Confederate veteran of Halifax county and was in South Boston to attend the Fourth of July celebration.

Brother Kills Sister.

Elizabeth City, N. C., July 3.—Tired of making beds and washing dishes, Seth Newby, 24 years old, shot and killed his sister this afternoon because she left him a week ago to marry and keep house for another.

Newby first demanded that his sister cook his meals in her new home. Her husband, Clem Barnes, objected. Newby went to the Barnes home, forced his sister into a room, locked the door, pulled down the shades, blew her brains out and then fired a shot into his own head. The woman had expected this fate to be hers and requested yesterday that she be buried in her wedding gown.

Send for the Whitewash Committee.

And now they are charging all kind of corruption against the Insane Asylum of South Carolina; of course, the entire management is composed of Democrats; if they get up too much of a sensation they might send over to North Carolina and employ the Whitewash Committee to paint the thing up, so the public couldn't see the corruption so plain.—Clinton News-Dispatch.

BILKINS IN EGYPT

Describes the Ancient Land of the Pharaohs from Whom Israel Fled.

"MAJAH" AND THE KHEDIVÉ

A Wonderful Land Full of Wonderful Things—The River Nile as a World Builder—The Egyptian "Horses"—The Sins of Pharaoh Still Visible—Lord Cromer Rules Egypt, and the Khedive Has a Good Time—King Menes Was a Hustler—How They Preserve the Dead in Egypt—Everlasting Paint. "Hieroglyphics" Explained.

(Correspondence of the Caucasian Enterprise.)

Cairo, Egypt, July 1, 1909.—After my long trip into Russia, I determined to return by water en route in that part of the world known as the "Holy Land." Egypt ought to be included in that land, and hit was in the long ago. For Egypt holds an important place in Biblical history, an' hit adjoins the cluster of small countries in which most of the greatest events transpired, or, rather, hit did, before the Suez Canal was dug, fer that now separates Egypt from the "Holy Land" on one side. On the other side Egypt is bounded by Africa an' African deserts. Fortunately for Egypt, much of that portion of Africa is practically uninhabited.

Egypt is, or would be a desert but fer the great work done by the river Nile. This vast river, so famous in history, actually makes life worth living in Egypt. Where water can be carried upon land from this river hit is wonderfully productive and rents fer as much as \$20 per acre by the year, a good purchase price fer American land. But land that cannot be irrigated will not rent fer 30 cents per acre nor any other sum, bein' worthless. But, in addition to the river, a regular irrigation system hez bin put into operation in recent years where the lay of the land is right fer pumping water from wells, water being obtainable in many places by diggin' to the depth of the river level. In some cases the pumps' is done by hand, and in others oxen air used.

The camel takes the place of the horse in Egypt now as hit did in the olden days. This ugly animal, a part of every circus parade in most of the world, is supplied by nature with great water tanks, an' he can carry or pull good loads fer several days without a fresh supply of water, and with but little or no food durin' the time. But fer the faithful camel the people of parts of Egypt would be in hard luck.

You air not in Egypt long before you air likely ter be reminded that in the days when Moses was tryin' ter secure the release of the Israelites from bondage, they hevin' bin put into a condition of Egypt, "a plague of flies" overspread the land. The plague continued until the Egyptian ruler agreed to release the Israelites. But some of the same flies, or their descendants, must be here yit, fer I never seed flies so bad. At first, Bob kicked and reared like he wuz in a yaller jacket nest, but he iz gettin' used ter them. Most of the people carry horse-hair brushes ter fan the flies erway fer they air as bothersome ter people as they air ter stock. I wish King Pharaoh had never got inter that mess with the Israelites. He order hev bin impeached at the time, fer the Israelites wuz awl riled.

Egypt is ruled by the Khedive, a rather young an' gude lookin' man. I had the pleasure of meetin' him an' talkin' with him. He iz as smart as a briar; in fact, most of the Egyptians air healthy an' brainy, somewhat like the Greeks, but lackin' in Greek energy an' talent. The Khedive iz the supposed boss in Egypt, though he ez a legislative council and a lower house called the "assembly." But back of hit awl stands Lord Cromer, the consul-general of England. Some twenty-odd years ergo Egypt got mixed up in a row with England. As usual in such cases, England soon had troops enough in Egypt to lick the folks to a standstill. Her navy wuz awl on hand and bombarded Alexandria, one of the largest towns, an' the Egyptians soon gave up, that bein' the only thing to do. So Egypt iz "English" now.

One of the largest "sights" in Egypt, though I failed ter see hit, is the National Debt. Hit iz set ter amount to about five hundred million of dollars, or about \$100 per acre fer every acre of land in cultivation. But under the business management of England the debt iz gradually bein' paid off.

The next big thing in Egypt iz the river Nile, awlready mentioned in this article. The source of this river iz in Africa an' fer four thousand miles hit flows toward the Mediterranean. Hit furnishes water fer many acres of the burning sands of Africa, grows larger slowly, an' then goes entirely through Egypt. Er-

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