

State News.

Dr. R. L. Linney, formerly of Taylorville, and youngest son of Romulus L. Linney, is reported to be very critically ill at Wichita, Kansas.

A charter has been granted the Merchants and Farmers Bank at Shalotte, and it will begin business on October 10th. The capital stock is \$25,000.

The fourteenth annual convention of the Virginia-Carolina Photographers' Association is in session in Asheville this week with a very large attendance.

Mr. S. M. Holt, of Pittsboro, a Confederate soldier, and Clerk of the Superior Court of Chatham for eight years, died suddenly at his home on September 23rd.

In a chase for a stolen engine on the tracks of a Norfolk, Va., lumber company, Engineer H. L. Latham, of Elizabeth City, was killed near Norlina, September 25th.

The Cash Grocery Store on Depot Street at Waynesville was very badly damaged by fire on the morning of September 25th. The loss is estimated at \$5,000, partially covered by insurance.

At Asheboro, September 23rd, the Southern Railway train No. 143 was wrecked on the return trip from High Point. About a dozen passengers were badly shaken up, but none were very seriously hurt.

The first cotton steamer from the port of Wilmington this season sailed last week for Genoa, Italy, from the compresses of Messrs. Alexander Sprunt & Son. It carried 6,467 of the staple valued at \$388,000.

A colored man named Broadway, at work in a well in Anson County, on being drawn out, supposedly became affected by foul air and lost his balance, falling fifty feet, crushing his skull and killing him instantly.

Tom Linthicum, a well-known, and at one time popular man of Durham, was found dead a few days ago in a house in that town by an officer who had gone to arrest him. Drink is said to have caused his down-fall.

Near Wilson, September 23rd, on Bud Burnett's farm, Hassell Joyner shot and killed Gorler Hinnant. Both are colored. Joyner had been drinking it is said, and mistook Hinnant for another negro with whom he had a grievance.

Ralph Morrison, of Charlotte, held for the shooting of Cliff Ellis has been released on a bond of \$1,000. Morrison and two companions attacked J. A. Moore, Morrison's uncle, when he fired on them, seriously wounding Ellis.

At Warsaw, September 3rd, a negro named Ed Rouse, at the Camp Manufacturing Company's saw-mill, cut and perhaps fatally wounded three young white men, employees of the company.—E. H. Boling, J. C. Pridden and J. S. Boling.

The Stokes County Farmers' Union adopted a resolution providing for the pooling of their 1911 crop leaf tobacco, in a meeting at Danbury, September 23rd. A large dry-house to be used by the union is nearing completion at Walnut Cove.

On Saturday last, during a thunderstorm, a residence belonging to John F. Carpenter, a farmer near Cherryville, Gaston County, was struck by lightning and burned to the ground. It was occupied by a tenant, who lost all he had.

L. G. Hancock, who was convicted in February court, of Forsyth County, in 1909, for embezzlement, and sentenced to five years in the penitentiary, has been pardoned. Evidence presented to the Governor impressed him that Hancock is insane.

John Turner, a young white man, was found in the road near Guilford Battle Ground Saturday night, September 23rd, with two ugly gashes in his head. He was unable to explain how he was hurt, beyond the fact that he was in company with John and Oscar Nelson, and that the entire party was under the influence of whiskey.

Revenue Officers Kanipe, Rowland, and Possemen Jones and Winkler, on September 26, made a raid in Burke County, capturing Noah Brittan and arresting him for blocking and destroyed a still, twenty-three fermenters, and 5,000 gallons of beer. Brittan was tried before Commissioner Whitner, of Hickory, and held in a bond of \$2000 for his appearance at Federal Court.

A young white man named Sweeney, an employe of Sanger's circus, died in Kingston Sunday, following a personal encounter with a young man name Rockwell, of Wake County. It seems that Sweeney had become weakened by drinking some blind-tiger decoction, and a slight blow seemed to kill him. Rockwell, however, is held in a bond of \$500 for his appearance at court.

The store of John E. Sockwell, on West Market Street, Greensboro, was broken into Tuesday night, September 26th, and the safe robbed of \$149. There is no clue as yet to the identity of the guilty parties.

At one of the lumber plants near Clayton, Tuesday, September 26th, Hubert Whitley, colored, rented a gun from a store in Clayton and fired upon Bert Holmes, also colored, but none of the shots took effect.

Joe Brown, night watchman for Tighman Lumber Company at Dunn, N. C., while engaged in a scuffle over a pistol in a restaurant in that town Sunday night, shot and perhaps fatally wounded Dave Williams. Both are colored.

Three prisoners, L. C. Freeman, Charles O. Kelly, and Hancock, the Federal prisoner, recently captured, sawed their way out of Lee County jail last night last. One of them, the 14-year-old boy has since been captured. It is reported that the saw was furnished them by Hancock's daughter.

At a meeting of the State Association of Postmasters in Asheville last week, the following officers were elected: W. W. Rollins, Asheville, President; S. Arthur White, Mebane, Secretary-Treasurer; J. B. Spence, Charlotte; Thomas Green, Waynesville, and O. F. Conrad, Lexington, Vice-Presidents.

Gaston Smith and Al Jones, of Greensboro, have been arrested for the murder of Lacey Hackett, who was killed near Pomona, on September 6th. It was supposed at the time the killing was accidental, but reports have been circulated since that have caused the father of the dead boy to feel unsatisfied as to the accident story.

POSTOFFICE AT STONEVILLE ROBBED.

Clerk Held Up and Gagged, While Robbers Secure About \$300.

Greensboro, Sept. 24.—The store of Mr. T. P. Poole at Stoneville, a leading merchant and postmaster of his town, was entered and robbed of about \$300 by robbery early yesterday morning. Mr. Eggleston, a clerk in the store, and Mr. Tinsley, the latter of this city, had been 'possum hunting, and upon their return about 2 o'clock, Mr. Eggleston said he was going down to the store to put up some chickens. When Mr. Eggleston reached the store he was held up by the burglars, covered with pistols, and a handkerchief tied over his mouth. The robbers then entered the store, took the stamps and money and such other things as they cared for. Then Mr. Eggleston was led down the railroad tracks for a short distance and released, the robbers keeping on their way out of town.

BRUTE BUTCHERED HIS FRIENDS.

A Mecklenburg Negro Attacks Man and Woman Who Had Befriended Him, and Cuts Off Their Heads With an Axe.

Charlotte, N. C., Sept. 25.—Adam Sigmon, colored, cut off both hands of Will Link and his wife, Eldora, and butchered them fearfully during the midnight hours Sunday. Link and his wife are at the Good Samaritan Hospital today, where everything is being done in hopes that they may live.

The crime is one of the most atrocious and unwarranted that has been recorded in Mecklenburg County for years. It is believed Sigmon was full of cocaine.

Sunday afternoon Sigmon (who is a cousin of Eldora Link) went to her home, which is on Henry Sloan's place, 4 miles from Charlotte, on the Beattie Ford road.

Eldora and Will asked Adam to spend the night. He accepted the invitation, and they all retired early. About 1 o'clock this morning, Eldora and Will were awakened by Adam, who stood over them with a heavy and sharp axe.

He proceeded to strike the woman, cutting an almost deadly wound across her head. Then he knocked Will into insensibility.

When the man and woman came to, the hands of both had been chopped off above the wrists.

They were also cut down their backs. There were deadly gashes about their heads, and the negro had fled. At this hour he had not been captured.

It is believed that he is crazy, as no motive for the crime is known, and it must have been prompted by a diseased brain.

Was Shot in the Face but Not Fatally Wounded.

Scotland Neck, N. C., Sept. 26.—A shooting affray occurred here about 8 o'clock Saturday night in the back room of a colored barber shop. A colored man named Schooney Etherington was shot in the face, the ball entering just below the mouth, breaking the jawbone, and lodging under the ear. Dr. O. F. Smith was summoned and after a time succeeded in extracting the bullet, which was flattened to the size of a dime.

"Do little things well, and big ones will come to you to be done."

General News.

Dimitry Boggroff, who assassinated Premier Stolypin, in Russia some time ago, was hanged September 25.

The special commissioners named by Judge Waddell, of Norfolk, Va., have decided to sell the Jamestown Exposition Grounds October 31st.

Four bodies have been found in the petty officers' room of the battleship Maine. The bodies have as yet been unidentified. It is believed that many more will be found.

Thomas Manners, son of Charles Manners, who had been at one time British Consul at Boston, died at Stonington, Conn., September 23rd of ptomaine poison as a result of eating muskmelons.

W. H. Johnson, mayor of Oakhurst, a suburb of Atlanta, Ga., was beaten to death with a scantling on September 23rd by a man whom he had shot and mortally wounded a few minutes before.

Governor Plaisted, of Maine, has appointed Obediah Gardner, of Rockland, a Democrat, United States Senator to fill the unexpired term of the late Senator William P. Frye.

At the international aviation meet at Nassau Boulevard, Nassau, L. I., Dr. J. C. Clarke, of New York, an amateur aviator, fell from a height of 260 feet in this monoplane, and was crushed beneath, sustaining fatal injuries.

The heaviest woman on record was buried at Wakefield, Mass., September 25th. A special casket was constructed to hold the body which weighed 510 pounds, and it required the services of ten men to lower it into the grave.

At Lovington, Va., September 25th, Dr. J. A. Pettit, a physician of Roseland, Va., was shot and killed by Benjamin Hubbard. No words were passed before the shooting occurred, and it is reported to have been the result of an old grudge.

After having suffered with leprosy for twelve years, during which time he walked the streets and worked, at his home in Minneapolis, Minn., Ludwig C. Dyregrov, a tailor, died a few days ago. The nature of his malady was seemingly not known until after his death.

Through the efforts of Assemblyman Louis Cuvillier, of New York, the battle flag of the Seventeenth Virginia Regiment captured by a New York regiment during the Civil War, was placed in the hands of the veterans of the Southern regiment of the R. E. Lee Camp, Monday, September 25th.

At a joint meeting of the members of the Farmers' Union and bankers at Sumter, S. C., September 25, the latter agreed to urge their directors to raise \$500,000 to lend on cotton in warehouses held for higher prices. The farmers were urged to hold their cotton and, if necessary, borrow money on the certificates.

FRENCH BATTLESHIP BLOWN UP.

Four Hundred Soldiers Killed in the Disaster.

Toulon, Sept. 25.—Four hundred French sailors, probably more, met death to-day when five terrific explosions blew the battleship Liberte, the seven million dollar pride of the French navy to pieces and sank her in forty feet of water. The explosions followed a fire that had its origin in the paint room and spread to the magazine, the progress of the flames being denoted by three explosions following each other with startling swiftness.

The entire crew of men and officers save a few of the dog watch, were asleep.

Vice Admiral Belue, commanding the second squadron, in his report says:

"About 400 are dead or missing, which estimate includes those from other ships in the harbor. The entire fleet in the harbor had the narrowest sort of escape from the fate of the wrecked battleship."

Drunken Express Agent Tears Money Into Shreds.

Waycross, Ga., Sept. 25.—Hundred-dollar bills, fifties and other smaller denominations were torn into shreds and silver coins by the bag full were scattered about an express car today by G. F. Radford, express messenger on the Atlantic Coast Line train, No. 21, before the latter finally was subdued and landed in jail here.

Radford claimed he insisted in Savannah that he should not be sent out on the run because of his condition, and that he was intoxicated and did not know what he was doing in throwing away the money from the safe.

The loss, if any, will not be known until money packages are carefully checked. Between \$6,000 and \$10,000 was in the box, and most of this amount was recovered from Radford's bosom and trouser's pockets, according to the officers.

WAR ORDER IS SIGNED.

Prospects of a Bloody Encounter Between Turkey and Italy.

Vienna, Sept. 25.—All Turkey is fighting mad. The attempt of Italy to seize Tripoli has awakened the country to the fact that she must fight to maintain her territory, and all classes of Turks are rallying to the support of the Government.

All of the reserves have been summoned to the colors, and the order expelling all Italians from Turkish territory is in the hands of the Premier, signed by the Sultan, ready to be issued as soon as it is certain war must come.

The Turkish commanding officers have been instructed to place all of their commands on a war footing. Advice received here to-day say that if Italy invades the fighting will be most bitter, and unless Italy is able to land more troops than the early reports indicate her commanders think will be needed to conquer and retain Tripoli they are likely to be overwhelmed.

No confirmation is as yet obtainable of the report that the Navigazione Generale Italiana's steamer Regina Margherita has been seized by Turkish officials at Mersina, Asia Minor, but the report is accepted as true in Government circles here.

Italy's attempt to acquire Tripoli by sheer strength has caused alarm here and in most of the capitals of Europe. It is feared that it will open anew the Mediterranean problem just at a time when it seemed certain that it was to be settled.

There are 50,000 Italians in Turkey and their financial interests are very large. The Porte, it is understood here, has sent a curt message to Italy saying all private property will be considered subject to seizure if any armed Italian force shall land at Tripoli.

MEANS DEFEAT OF RECIPROCIETY

The Result of the Canadian Election Means Death to the Measure.

Montreal, Sept. 21.—The Laurier government and reciprocity suffered an overwhelming defeat in the Canadian elections held to-day.

By a veritable political landslide the Liberal majority of 43 was swept away and the Conservative party secured one of the heaviest majorities, upwards of 50, that the Conservative party has ever had. Seven cabinet ministers who had served with Premier Laurier were among the defeated candidates.

The government defeat means that the Fielding-Knox reciprocity agreement, ratified by the American Congress in extra session, will not be introduced when the Twelfth Parliament assembles next month, and that a revised basis of trade with the United States, looking to closer commercial relations, will not be possible in the immediate future. The Conservatives are committed to a policy of trade expansion within the empire and a closed door against the United States. Spurred on by appeals to patriotism and the cry that reciprocity was the entering wedge for annexation, the Conservatives swept nearly everything before them.

PLANS FOR RE-ORGANIZATION.

Tobacco Trust Will Announce New Scheme as Soon as Court O. K's It.

New York, Sept. 25.—The plan of re-organization of the American Tobacco Trust has been completed as the result of a series of conferences between the judges of the United States Circuit Court, Attorney-General Wickesham and the attorneys of the trust.

It was stated this afternoon that the plan will not be made public until it can be presented to the court. This will be done by means of a petition which will set forth the plan of dissolution and request the court formally to approve it. Public hearings will then be conducted at which objections may be made and finally a revised mandate will issue which will be sent to the Supreme Court for approval.

Thirteen Merry-Makers Killed by a Train.

Neenah, Wis., Sept. 24.—Thirteen persons are dead, three others are dying and five are seriously hurt as the result of a fast train on the Chicago and Northwestern Railway early to-day crashing into a hayrack on which a party of thirty-one merry-makers were returning from a celebration.

Six Persons Butchered While They Slept.

Colorado Springs, Col., Sept. 20.—Butchered in their beds by some person as yet unknown, who used an axe, the bodies of six persons, three in each of two neighboring houses, were found here to-day. The heads of all the victims had been smashed in and the appearance of the bodies indicated that they had been dead several days and that death came while they slept.

Shot Her Husband in the Back.

Denver, Col., eSept. 25.—Charles A. Patterson, formerly a wealthy broker of Chicago, was shot and killed today by his wife, Mrs. Gertrude G. Patterson. Charges of infidelity, threatened divorce suits and other marital troubles were given as the cause.

Farm Topics

Necessity of Organic Matter in the Soil of Green Manuring—No. 9.

We have now attempted to explain the phenomenon called "souring of the soil" and to point out a practicable remedy, namely, roll the green manuring crop; disk it a number of times in the opposite direction to the rolling while yet green and succulent in order to cut it into small bits; plow it under; disk it once or twice after plowing, depending on the amount of material on the land; with the disk set at a slight angle in order to pulverize and mix the cut-up vegetable matter with the whole soil stratum; and allow the land to settle a few weeks and receive one or more good rains.

We shall now take up in succession and discuss the value of a number of humus-forming materials, other than animal manures, and then point out methods of handling them in connection with different crops.

In a previous chapter we gave the average chemical analysis of a large number of samples of green rye in which we found this material to contain 10 pounds of nitrogen, 5 pounds of phosphate, and 14 pounds of potash per ton. All of these constituents are taken from the soil by the roots, built into the tissues of the plant and given out again to a succeeding crop when the rye decays.

A crop of green rye weighing eight tons to the acre is easily grown on the average farm in North Carolina. This amount of green rye incorporated with the first ten inches of a ten-acre field would furnish to the soil of this field, in a readily available form, 800 pounds of nitrogen, 400 pounds of phosphate and 1,120 pounds of potash.

This is as much nitrogen as would be furnished by 20 tons, of an 8-2-2 fertilizer or 100 loads of fresh cow manure. The phosphate in this amount of green stuff is equal that contained in two and one-half tons of an 8-2-2 fertilizer or in 200 tons, or loads, of fresh horse manure. The potash contained in this material is equal to that found in 28 tons of an 8-2-2 fertilizer or in 150 tons of fresh horse manure. Sufficient rye to seed the ten acres will cost around \$10, whereas, it would cost \$75 to haul and spread the 150 tons of stable manure.

In the above we have mentioned merely the plant food constituents rendered available by the rye and have not taken into account the vast amount of humus for holding moisture and improving the texture of the soil. Be sure to sow quantities of rye this fall for plowing under next spring before planting. Next week we expect to discuss the use of wheat straw and green corn as manure.

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FARMERS WILL HOLD COTTON.

Dr. H. Q. Alexander, Head of the North Carolina Division of the Farmers' Union, Expresses Belief That the Farmers Will Hold For 15 Cents.

"Will the farmers of North Carolina hold their cotton for 15 cents?" Dr. H. Q. Alexander, president of the State division of the Farmers' Union, was asked Saturday afternoon.

"That depends," Dr. Alexander responded. "Of course there are some who cannot hold. They have incurred obligations which have to be met, and there is nothing for them to do but dispose of enough of their crop to get rid of pressing obligations. Of the remainder, however, I am confident that the great majority will hold their cotton for 15 cents. The organization is making a constant and I believe an effective campaign of education with the view of bettering the condition of the farmers, instructing them as to the production and marketing of their crops and otherwise looking after their best interests."

"I have received several inquiries, mostly from officials of county locals throughout the State, asking about the financing of the crop. My replies to all these is to have the county locals appoint influential committees to wait upon the local banks to see if funds cannot be secured at home for the financing of the crop, the securities being the warehouse receipts. I have added that if insufficient accommodations cannot be secured, then to communicate with me so that I can get in touch with others higher up."

Dr. Alexander is assured that the farmers of the South can realize on their crop if they will only market it slowly and judiciously.—Charlotte Observer.

The Murgerous Hatpin.

In nearly every State and in most large cities efforts have been made to pass laws against the use of long hatpins. The fatalities from these instruments have been many and serious. They have put out eyes, scratched faces, made dangerous wounds, and added a new terror to life. The inclination has been to ridicule any effort to regulate them, because fair woman is supposed to be allowed to do anything or to wear anything that fashion may impose upon her. But this is a real terror, and it is to be regretted that solemn reformers have not been able to han-

die it with better results. In France they do things more successfully. The managers of the railways have ordered their officials to request women wearing these weapons to remove them, and if they refuse they shall not be permitted to ride on trains, and shall be compelled to leave the station. Moreover, the hatpin wearers will be liable to fines. Those who have traveled in France have no desire to see all their hats transferred to the United States, and it might be well to have a few French officials handle the hatpin problem for us.—The World About Us in The Ladies' World for September.

THE DOG WHO COULD COUNT.

A few years ago Dave Pierce, who lived six miles south west of Nevada, Missouri, owned a shepherd dog who seemed capable of counting. His daily task was to care for the flock of about one hundred sheep owned by Mr. Pierce. Every morning the dog drove the sheep from the corral along a lane for half a mile to the woods, where he kept them until about 4 o'clock in the afternoon when he would round them up and start them home.

Two Kansas men were in Mr. Pierce's neighborhood one day, buying sheep. Hearing about the dog, they went to Mr. Pierce's to try the animal and to buy him, if he was able to "make good."

"It is just about the best dog I ever saw," Mr. Pierce, "and the best test is the dog himself. When he leaves the sheep and comes to the gate for some one to open it, you catch one of the sheep near the mouth of the lane, and take it down in the woods and hide it, and we will see what the dog will do. I really don't know, because I have never tested him."

The sheep was caught and tied in the woods, and the gate was kept closed until the Kansas men got back. Then it was opened. Shep took his stand inside as usual, and the sheep went into the corral.

But no sooner had the last sheep passed into the inclosure than Shep gave unmistakable signs that something was wrong. He sprang into the lane, looked in every direction, ran back into the corral and looked the flock over more carefully, then out into the lane again and drove toward the woods as fast as his anxious feet could carry him. Finding the trail of the men he tracked them to the lost sheep.

Two hundred dollars was offered by the Kansas men for Shep, but Mr. Pierce informed them that he would almost as soon part with one of his children.—Our Dumb Animals.

If I had been made a fire-fly, it would not become me to say: "If God had only made me a star, to shine always, then I would shine!" It is my duty, if I am a fire-fly, to fly and sparkle, and fly and sparkle—not to shut my wings down over my phosphorescent self because God did not make me a sun or a star.—Henry Ward Beecher.

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Trains Leave Goldsboro 10:15 p. m.—Daily—"Night Express"—Pullman Sleeping Car for Norfolk via New Bern. 7:15 a. m.—Daily for Beaufort, Washington and Norfolk. Parlor Car between Washington and Norfolk. 3:20 p. m.—Daily for New Bern, Oriental and Beaufort, Parlor Car Service.

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