

REAL ANCIENT HISTORY

How England Lost Out in France in the Fourteenth Century

Both Countries Nearly Out—At War

Over Normandy—Thirty Officers Killed While Trying to Save the Life of One General—A Crooked King Was Louis the Eleventh—When the Bonds of Feudalism Were Burst in France—When Iron and Brass Cannon First Appeared in France—A New Pass Over the Alps and Results.

BIRKINSVILLE, N. C., Feb. 26, 1912. Correspondence of The Caucasian-Enterprise.

English power practically ceased to have any effect in France in 1443. Lord Willoughby commanded the English troops and he felt so discouraged that he decided to quit the country and stipulated for the safe retreat of his troops to Normandy. He had not whipped France and France had not whipped him. But both were so near down an' out that something had to be done. A truce wuz agreed upon for twenty-two months. The French King, Charles, set to work at once to try an' pull the country together; for almost continuous war had proven disastrous as hit awlways has an' awlways will. He is said to have met with much success in that line, for the French are a thrifty people in peace as well as in war.

In 1449 there wuz another tilt with England. This time Normandy wuz the bone of contention. The English forces were unable to contend with the French under the circumstances an' France recovered Normandy without a serious fight. But the row wuz renewed a little later an' serious fightin' occurred. The French had laid siege to Castillon when Gen. Talbot appeared with 5,000 English troops. Talbot wuz 80 years old but game. He soon fell in battle an' his son, Lord Lisle, threw himself upon the body of his father. Other officers awlso appeared and hit iz said that no less than thirty officers were killed while tryin' to protect the brave old English military leader. But hit proved to be his last fight, for he had gotten a death-wound. In his death England had again lost hope of dominating France, for every city except Calais had been lost.

Louis the 11th succeeded his father, King Charles. He wuz said to be so crooked that he couldn't sleep on a bed. After a life of deceit an' worse he wuz seized with an attack of apoplexy in 1480, which left him an invalid for the balance of his life. He continued to direct his schemes from his sick bed. He seized the estate of the Duke of Bourbon, his rival in a political way. He died in 1483.

Charles the 8th succeeded him when but 14 years old. On account of his youth an' delicate health France wuz ruled by a regent, Anne, eldest daughter of the late King, wuz chosen, an' wuz known as a governess. Charles died in 1498 after playin' but a small part in rulin' France.

At the end of the fourteenth century France had begun to burst the bonds of feudalism. The right of suffrage wuz given to a larger number of citizens an' the number of burghesses (lawmakers,) wuz increased. The number of cities an' towns increased to about two thousand in a short time. Previous to this Paris an' a few other large cities had nearly everything in the way of trade an' manufacturin'. The King an' the lawmakers were often far apart. For instance, the King could engage the country in war, a defensive war, without legislative authority, but the lawmakers could, if they saw proper, stand aloof and let him "root hog or die." an' the King wuz not given any cash to keep up an army in time of peace. Another curious law or rule wuz made which placed the legal age of any person entitled to sit upon the throne at 14 instead of 21, which wuz unwise, for what does a boy or girl of 14 know about rulin' a country?

About this time the use of artillery in war wuz begun as an experiment. The old-fashioned smooth-bore iron an' brass cannon, which were not dangerous if soldiers were good at dodgin', were awl the style for several hundred years, up to fifty or sixty years ago, in fact.

About this time the clerical gentlemen had a perpetual picnick, especially in France. A bishop wuz as great in every way as a lord. Hit iz even said that a powerful baron hez been seen holdin' the bridle of a clergyman's horse, an' at mealtime barons would stand behind the chairs until a clergyman would seat himself an' invite the baron to be seated. This wuz due to two causes—respect for the priestly robes an' the power they covered—and to the polite manners of the French people in that day, some of which may be noticed even now in that country, I am told.

By the death of Charles 8th, the throne passed from the direct line of the house of Valois, and Louis, Duke of Orleans, became King. He wuz 36 years old. He had been trained in the school of adversity; had been in disgrace an' in prison.

Durin' his reign the King of England invaded France and took Terrouenne and Tonnay; and the Swiss avlso invaded Burgandy with 25,000 men. Louis decided to make peace with his enemies through family entanglements. He offered his second daughter to either of the two grandsons of the King of Spain, an' in this marriage to renounce the claims of France on Milan an' Genoa. The proposal wuz accepted, Louis himself married the Princess Mary, sister of the English King. So he for a time settled awl differences with England and Spain. But he didn't live long, dyin' on the 2nd of January, 1514, an' wuz succeeded by Francis I, Count of Angouleme an' Duke of Bretagne an' Valois.

The new King had hardly got his seat on the throne warr till he concluded that Italy needed a whippin' an' that he wuz the man for the job. He increased his army to 60,000, the largest France had supported in ordinary times. He hired 22,000 German soldiers awlso. In addition he had some ten or twelve thousand infantry, new volunteers an' some 3,000 pioneers, old soldiers, who had quit the regular army. A part of the force wuz dispatched at once to clear the way to the Alps, that vast mountain range between France an' her foes. But another difficulty must be met an' overcome. There were but two known roads or passes over the Alps at this time, both controlled by the Swiss an' guarded by them. The position wuz such that a mere handful of soldiers could prevent the passage of awlmost any number of soldiers. An' the Swiss an' the Italians were friendly. So the French must find a new way to get through the mountains. For money a man undertook to show them a new route. To drag cannon over these mountains quickly wuz a problem, but the French accomplished the task an' penetrated Italy by the sources of the River Po. The Italians were thoroughly surprised when the French began pourin' into the country on their side of the mountains an' they hastily hid their hand organs an' peanut roasters. The French army captured Villefrance an' established that town as headquarters. The Swiss guard now abandoned teh useless position on the mountains, for the enemy had passed by or around them. Still the French dreaded the Swiss, for on their home soil an' with ample supplies, they might prove more than a match for the French so far from home. But they agreed to accept a liberal cash sum at first. But hit seems that they changed their minds about this before the deal could be closed. There wuz nothin' to do but fight. The battle began in the afternoon an' continued long after night when the moon went out of site. Hit wuz a desperate fight, too, for the Swiss were genuine soldiers. The cannon used by the French were new to the Swiss but they didn't hesitate to charge an' even captured some of the cannon. One of the veterans with the army said he had been in seventeen big battles but that awl of them were as "childs play" when compared to the battle of Marignano, which he said wuz "a battle of giants." The Swiss were finally defeated but not until many important men fell on both sides. The King of France wuz given the Knighthood after the battle as "the chevalier without fear and without reproach."

The Duchy of Milan wuz conquered by the victory of the French at Merignano. The Swiss who held the capital surrounded hit, bein' hard pressed by France, for any country with money could hire the soldiers of another country in those days. France an' Italy were at war from 1521 to 1524. The King of France invaded Italy and laid siege to Pavia. He wuz captured on the 24th of February. By making certain concessions an' promises which he didn't keep, he wuz released. But there wuz war an' bad feelin' between the two countries long after that an' hit continued until the death of the French King in 1547. He wuz succeeded by his son, Henry II, aged 29. I will now relate a joke on the King whose death wuz just mentioned, though jokes are a little out of place in speakin' of the dead. The new King wuz havin' the late death of his predecessor celebrated in the customary style of the day an' several big guns were billed for speeches upon the good qualities of the late King. One priest said that King Francis had lived such a good, holy life that he had gone straight to heaven without passin' through the flames of purgatory. The reformers had then appeared, even in France, an' a delegation of them went at once to complain to the new King an' scout the idea of the existence of a purgatory. Mendosa, a chief officer of the palace, first heard the complaints the reverend gentlemen wished to lay before the King. "Calm yourselves, gentlemen," said Mendosa, "if you had known the good King Francis as well as I did, you would have better understood the words of the preacher. King Francis was not a man to tarry long anywhere; an' if he did take a turn in purgatory, believe me, the devil himself could not persuade him to take anythin' like a long sojourn there."

What iz said to hev been the first duel of modern times wuz fought in France. Two young men, both pages in the court of King Francis, fell out because one of them, a great sport for dress, awlways appeared better dressed than the other. The plain

PEANUTS combine the advantages of soil renovator, forage and cash crop. POTASH and often require lime as well as phosphate. GERMANY KALI WOP

dresser intimated that the sporty one wuz a special pet of the Queen an' that he secured extra funds from that source. This finally led to a duel an' the King witnessed hit, though he had refused to allow the duel fought at first. Swords were the weapons. But hit finally came off an' the young man who had been accused wuz woundin' his adversary, but the wound was not considered a fatal one. The young man refused medical treatment, however, an' tore the wound open with his own hands and finally died rather than face the world after his defeat in the use of a sword, which weapon wuz his specialty.

Az ever, ZEKE BILKINS.

Breakin' Into the "Solid" South.

The empire State of the South is breaking away from the Administration's machine of Federal officeholders, and lining up for Roosevelt.

Reports from the delegate contest in Texas indicate plainly that Roosevelt will dominate the big delegation of forty that will be sent to Chicago.

Missouri will go the same way; most of Oklahoma will go along; Tennessee and Kentucky, North Carolina and Arkansas will contribute to the Roosevelt column.

The South will be so seriously divided, from present indications, that the real business of nominating will be left to the delegates from North, West, and Mid-West.

The outcome there cannot be regarded as uncertain. Republican or possibly Republican territory wants a man who can win.

It Helps! Mrs. J. F. Daniels, of Sip, Ky., writes: "I was so sick for 3 or 4 years, I had to hire my work done, most of the time. I had given up hope. When I began to take Cardui, I knew, right away, it was helping me. Now, I am better than ever before in my life, and Cardui did it."

Take CARDUI The Woman's Tonic Cardui has helped thousands of weak, tired, worn-out women, back to health. It has a gentle, tonic action on the womanly system. It goes to the cause of the trouble. It helps, it helps quickly, surely, safely. It has helped others. Why not you? It will. Try it. Get a bottle today!

No folk Southern Railroad ROUTE OF THE "NIGHT EXPRESS." Travel via Raleigh (Union Station) and Norfolk Southern Railroad to and from All Points in Eastern North Carolina. SCHEDULE IN EFFECT SEPT. 24

and Norfolk. 6:15 a. m.—Daily, except Sunday for New Bern via Chowwinity. Parlor Car service. 2:40 p. m.—Daily, except Sunday for Washington. Trains Arrive Goldsboro 7:20 a. m.—Daily; 11:20 a. m. daily except Sunday and 8:15 p. m. daily. 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 and Norfolk. Parlor Car between Washington and Norfolk. 3:20 p. m.—Daily for New Bern Oriental and Beaufort, Parlor Car Service. For further information and reservation of Pullman Sleeping Car space, apply to D. V. CONN, General Agent, Raleigh, N. C. W. R. HUDSON, W. W. CROXTON General Supt., Gen. Pass. Agt., Norfolk, Virginia.

SALE OF LAND FOR PARTITION. In the Superior Court—Before Millard Mial, Clerk. North Carolina—Wake County.

John S. Johns, Solomon Freeman and Rena Freeman, his wife; Dennis Williams and Georgia Williams, his wife, Ezzester Stewart,

Sidney Finch, Maud, Georgia, and Ervin Finch,—the three last are minors.

Order of Sale. By virtue of a special proceeding in Wake Superior Court and entitled as above, and a judgment thereof, I will offer for sale on the premises, near the town of Garner, N. C., on Saturday, the 16th day of March, 1912, at 12 o'clock M., the following described land:

Adjoining the lands of S. G. Holleman and others, and beginning at a stake—the corner of S. G. Holleman—thence eighty-eight (88) degrees, east twenty-four and three-fifths (24 3-5) poles to a stake, the corner of S. G. Holleman; thence south eleven (11) degrees, west twelve and one-half (12 1-2) poles to a stake; thence eighty-eight (88) degrees, west twenty-four and three-fifths (24 3-5) poles to a stake—S. G. Holleman's line; thence north seventeen (17) degrees, east twelve and one-half (12 1-2) poles to the beginning; containing two acres more or less.

The sale is to be made for partition among the heirs-at-law of Allan Stewart, and to make real estate assets.

The land will be sold in two parcels of one acre each to the highest bidder for cash.

The title is perfect. J. C. L. HARRIS, Commissioner.

PUBLICATION OF SUMMONS.

NORTH CAROLINA—Wake County. In the Superior Court—Before Millard Mial, Clerk.

John S. Johns, Solomon Freeman, and Rena Freeman, his wife, Dennis Williams and Georgia Williams, his wife, Ezzester Stewart,

Sidney Finch, Maud, Georgia, and Ervin Finch, the three last are minors.

Publication of Summons. To Sidney Finch, Maud Finch, Georgia Finch, and Ervin Finch, the three last are minors:

This publication is to notify you that the above-named plaintiffs have brought a special proceeding in Wake Superior Court, before Millard Mial, Clerk, against you as the heirs-at-law of Allan Stewart, for the partition of the following lot of land lying and being near the town of Garner, N. C., and more particularly bounded and described as follows, to-wit:

Adjoining the lands of S. G. Holleman and others, and beginning at a stake—the corner of S. G. Holleman—thence north 88 degrees, east twenty-four and three-fifths (24 3-5) poles to a stake, the corner of S. G. Holleman; thence south 11 degrees, west twelve and one-half (12 1/2) poles to a stake; thence south 88 degrees, west twenty-four and three-fifths (24 3-5) poles to a stake—S. G. Holleman's line; thence north seventeen degrees, east twelve and one-

half (12 1/2) poles to the beginning; containing two acres more or less. That the summons for the above-named defendants has been returned by the sheriff of Wake County with this endorsement thereon: "After exercising due diligence the defendants are not to be found in Wake County." Said sale is also to be made for the purpose of making assets to pay the debts of the said Allen Stewart.

You are, therefore, notified to appear before the Clerk of Wake Superior court on the 11th day of December, 1911, and answer, demur or file to the petition which is now on file in the office of said clerk, otherwise, the plaintiffs will apply to the court for an order directing the sale of the land hereinbefore described, and the appointment of a commissioner to make the sale and execute deed to the purchaser.

MILLARD MIAL, Clerk Wake Superior Court. J. C. L. HARRIS, Atty.

ADVICE TO EDITORS—Mr. Wainwright's notice should appear in the next issue of the paper. It contains the name of the person, whose all rights were voided, and is the best remedy for divorce. See a bulletin.

THE International Correspondence Schools OF SCARLETON, PA. will train you, during spare time, for a Government position or to fill a responsible technical position at a larger salary than you are now getting. For full information, fill out the coupon below and mail it to our Washington office. M. D. HANLEY, Supt., "I. C. S.," Washington, D. C. Office 619, Pennsylvania Avenue, N. W. Dear Sir:—Please send me information as to how I can become a (mention position) by spare time study without leaving my present work until I am qualified. My name is... Street and No... Town and State...

Schools and Colleges

THE NORTH CAROLINA COLLEGE OF AGRICULTURE AND MECHANIC ARTS The State's Industrial College.

Four-year courses in Agriculture, in Civil, Electrical, and Mechanical Engineering; in Industrial Chemistry; in Cotton Manufacturing and Dyeing. Two-year courses in Mechanic Arts and in Textile Art. One-year course in Agriculture. These courses are both practical and scientific. Examinations for admission are held at all county-seats on July 15. For catalogue address THE REGISTRAR, West Raleigh, N. C.

THE NORTH CAROLINA State Normal and Industrial College

Maintained by the State for the Women of North Carolina. Five regular Courses leading to Degrees. Special Courses for teachers. Free tuition to those who agree to become teachers in the State. Fall Session begins September 18, 1911. For catalogue and other information address JULIUS I. FOUST, President, Greensboro, N. C.

Industrial Christian College, Inc. An ideal institution for boys and girls. High grade collegiate courses and the finest Grammar school in the South. Eight miles from city center. Beautiful as the mountain—fine artesian water. Broad advantages and daily mail. Can WORK or pay your way. For full information address President JOHN W. TYNDALL, A. M., L. D., Kinston, N. C.

Stewart Home & School FOR BACKWARD Children and Adults. Expert training and care by specially trained teachers and experienced physician who has devoted his life to this work. Home influences. 300 acres of beautiful lawn and woodland for pleasure grounds—ottage system. Elegantly appointed buildings, electric light and steam heated. Highly endorsed and recommended by prominent physicians, ministers and patrons. Beautiful book mailed on application. Dr. John P. Stewart, Box 15, Farmdale, Ky.

WHITSETT

Jolly & Wynne Jewelry Co. EVERYTHING IN JEWELRY Cut Glass Sterling Silver Our repair department is unexcelled. We fit you up with glasses correctly and guarantee satisfaction. Drop us a card. 128 FAYETTEVILLE STREET RALEIGH, N. C.

East Carolina Teachers' Training School A State School to Train Teachers for the Public Schools of North Carolina Every energy is directed to this one purpose. Tuition free to all who agree to teach. FALL TERM BEGINS SEPTEMBER 26, 1911. For catalogue and other information, address Robert H. Wright, President, Greenville, North Carolina.

TRINITY COLLEGE 1859 1892 1910-1911 Trinity is a notable institution. The granting of the Charter for Trinity College is the result of the College to the growing and prosperous City of Durham; the Building of the New and Great of Trinity. Magnificent new buildings with new equipment and enlarged facilities. Co-sportable hygienic dormitories and a beautiful pleasant surroundings. Five Departments: Academic, Mechanical, Civil, and Electrical Engineering, Law, Education; Graduate. For catalogue and other information, address R. L. FLOWERS, Secretary, Durham, N. C.

Trinity Park School ESTABLISHED 1898 Location ideal; Equipment unsurpassed. Students have use of the library, gymnasium, and athletic fields of Trinity College. Special attention given to health. A teacher in each dormitory looks after the living conditions of boys under his care. Faculty of college graduates. Most modern methods of instruction. Fall term opens September 13. For illustrated catalogue, address W. W. PEELE, Headmaster, Durham, N. C.

DO NOT DELAY The Agricultural and Mechanical College FOR THE COLORED RACE Will Begin Its Fall Term Sep. 1, 1911 The young men who prefer boarding and lodging upon the campus must secure accommodations at once, as the limited accommodations are being rapidly reserved. For catalog and other information, address PRESIDENT J. B. DUDLEY, Greensboro, N. C.