

General News.

Frederick O. Beach, the New York millionaire charged with an assault on his wife, was acquitted at Alken, S. C., Friday.

James Porter, clerk of the court of Louisa County, Va., met death in Richmond Saturday by falling down the steps of a building.

Nineteen persons were drowned Thursday when the schooner Granada, a small coasting vessel, was wrecked off Greytown, Nicaragua.

Teachers of the New York public schools are planning a union, the principal object being to secure representation on the board of education.

Mrs. Grover Cleveland and Thomas J. Preston, Jr., were quietly married Monday morning at Prospect, the executive residence of Princeton University.

The Lower House of Congress passed a bill forbidding the intermarriage of blacks and whites in the District of Columbia. The Senate has not acted.

Women connected with the United States Army have contributed \$2,000 to the Women's Titanic Memorial. The subscriptions averaged \$1 each and came from all parts of the globe.

A Greek aviator made a daring flight over the Dardanelles Friday and dropped three bombs near the Turkish fleet. The Turkish ships fired at the aviator but failed to hit him.

Dr. H. H. Goddard, after making an examination of the pupils in the New York public schools, declared that at least 15,000 of them were feeble-minded. He urged they be segregated.

James Purcell, one-time partner of Herman Rosenthal in a gambling establishment, Friday appeared at the New York aldermanic graft investigation and testified that he had paid over \$50,000 for police protection.

The salary at Yale for Prof. William H. Taft as Kent professor of law, with other duties annexed, will be \$5,000, which is the maximum salary now paid to the upper grade of full professors.

James A. Patten, the cotton and grain speculator, pleaded guilty in the Federal Court of New York to six counts in the indictments charging him with restraint of trade. Judge Mayor fined Patten four thousand dollars, which Patten paid immediately.

Secretary of the United States Treasury MacVeagh has ordered the engraving of the plates for the new one-dollar treasury notes. It will require eighteen months to put into circulation this new paper money, which will be only two-thirds the size of existing currency.

William Rockefeller, the aged Standard Oil magnate, suffered a nervous collapse Friday at Jekyll Island while he was being examined by representatives of the Pujo Committee. The examination was abruptly terminated and his testimony will likely never be taken.

SOUTHERN GROCERS IN COURT.

Criminal Proceedings Against Association—Contempt of Court—Attempt to Reduce Cost of Living.

Birmingham, Ala., Feb. 10.—Criminal contempt of court proceedings against the Southern Wholesale Grocers' Association and fifty-nine individuals for alleged violations of the anti-trust decree entered against the "grocers' trust" more than a year ago were begun here today by the Federal Government. This is the first prosecution undertaken by the Government by a "trust" for the alleged disobedience of a court's mandate under the Sherman law.

Despite the decree, the Government declares in its petition filed in the United States District Court that the defendants have employed coercion, threats, intimidations and persuasion to prevent manufacturers, wholesalers and retailers from reducing prices. It is charged that they have sought to coerce and compel manufacturer and producer to market his product through the medium of the wholesaler and have conspired to prevent direct transactions from producer to retailer or consumer. These are the things forbidden by the decree, and the court here, which entered it October 17, 1911, is asked by Attorney-General Wickham to make an order requiring the defendants to show cause why they should not be attached and punished for contempt of court.

Kansas Will Publish Text Books and Sell to Pupils at Cost.

Topeka, Kans., Feb. 8.—When Governor Hodges signs a bill passed by the House, Kansas will become its own publisher of text books used by the school children of the State. Pupils will be able to buy the books at actual cost.

SIX THOUSAND KILLED

Turkish Army Loses Heavily in Battle With Bulgarians

It is Believed the Wounded Turks Number 12,000 or More—Heavy Turkish Losses in Other Battles—Bulgarians Lose But Few Men.

Sofia, Bulgaria, Feb. 11.—Large numbers of men were sent out to clear the battlefields of the dead bodies of Turkish soldiers, numbering 5,000 or 6,000. It is believed that the wounded Turks number over 12,000. The Turkish army in the peninsula of Gallipoli lost 6,000 men and fifty officers during the fighting at Bulair, according to official report issued here. Several thousand Turkish soldiers, it is declared, fell in the battle before Tchatalja lines on February 9, and thousands more fell at Charkeul.

The Bulgarian army having repulsed several Turkish attacks along Tchatalja lines, retired to fresh positions five or six miles to the rear. The losses of the Bulgarians were small. The heavy Turkish loss is due to the excellently directed Bulgarian shell fire. Bulgarians are entrenching their positions in front of Bulair.

The Turkish warships shelled the Bulgarian left flank all day with but few Bulgarian casualties. The Bulgarian infantry continued their deadly fire on small boats loaded with Turkish troops, inflicting losses amounting to several thousand men. The Bulgarians' losses did not exceed one hundred killed.

TWO NEGROES LYNCHED.

One Was Tied to Stake and Tarred and Match Applied—Had Murdered Woman.

Houston, Miss., Feb. 7.—Andrew Williams, a negro, was lynched by a mob today. William was suspected of murdering Mrs. John Williams, the Deputy Chancery Clerk's wife, who was found dead at her home yesterday. Robbery was the motive.

Houston, Miss., Feb. 8.—Dibrell Tucker, thirty years old, a negro, in whose possession a diamond ring was found, said to have been the property of Mrs. J. S. Williams, murdered in her home here Thursday last, was lynched late today by a mob in the court-house square.

The negro, who was captured earlier in the day, was taken to the square about 2:30 o'clock and chained to an iron post.

A kettle of tar was poured over him and faggots piled around the trembling man. He was allowed to talk for a short time, and then a brother of the dead woman touched a match to the dry wood.

Tucker had hardly begun to feel the effects of the heat when the father of Mrs. Williams, it is said, ran up and shot him four times. The second shot, it is believed, caused his death.

The negro, according to responsible citizens, admitted the crime and said Andrew Williams, the negro lynched on Friday, took the body of the dead woman out of the house and threw it into the pit where it was found.

Boot and Shoe Last Trust Dissolved by Federal Court.

Detroit, Mich., Feb. 7.—The "boot and shoe last trust," which the Government alleges fixes the price of practically every last sold in the United States, was dissolved here today by the Federal Government in quick time. Immediately following the filing of the Government's civil anti-trust suit against Krentler, Arnold Hinge Company and numerous other last manufacturers with whom it is allied by agreement, Judge Tuttle entered an agreed decree terminating the license agreements in so far as they fixed the price of unpatented lasts and dissolved a club through which the alleged violation of the Sherman law was accomplished.

President of Salvador Dies at Hand of Assassin.

San Salvador, Feb. 9.—Manuel Araujo, President of the Republic of Salvador, who was wounded by the bullets of an assassin on February 4, died today.

Don Carlos Melendez will succeed to the office of Chief Executive.

President Araujo was attacked and shot last Tuesday night by several men, one of whom, a Guatemalan, named Virgilio Mulatillo, was arrested. Mulatillo, in a confession, declared that the plot to assassinate President Araujo had been contracted in Guatemala City.

Twelve Eggs in Six Days.

Mr. Hugh Helms is authority for a hen story to the effect that Miss Anna Bass, who lives a few miles west of town, is the sole owner and possessor of a hen that laid twelve eggs in six days. Mr. Helms declared positively that Miss Bass had been suspecting her hen of laying two eggs a day and therefore put her behind prison bars to ascertain the correctness of her impression. While thus locked from the invasion of other birds, the noble old hen made her matchless record of twelve eggs in six days.—Marshville Home.

State News.

The four-year-old child of Mr. and Mrs. Henry Pressnell was burned to death at Asheboro last week.

Lucy Brame, colored, said to be the oldest person in Vance County, died Thursday at the age of 115.

Arthur Harden shot and killed Bud Kirby near Mt. Holly Thursday. Both colored. Harden made his escape.

Rev. W. W. Rose, Methodist minister, died last Wednesday night at Franklinton. The remains were taken to Pittsboro for interment.

The lower house of the Legislature amended the Senate Building & Loan Association bill, fixing the maximum borrowing power at 20 per cent of assets.

Earl Ketchum, employed at a saw-mill in Pender County, was caught by a heavy steel cable, which wound around his body and crushed him to death a few days ago.

The House Committee on Counties, Cities and Towns voted for an unfavorable report on the Kellum bill for the annexation of a portion of Brunswick County to New Hanover.

W. H. Hughes, of Asheville, charged with shooting George Carver and wife during the early part of December, Saturday was sentenced to serve two years on the roads for the offense.

Waldo McCracken and Robertson Rogers, convicted in Haywood County Superior Court of second degree murder for the killing of Lee Wells, were sentenced to three years each in the State Prison. The case was appealed to the Supreme Court.

The trial of Will C. Griffin, charged with the recent killing of Cleveland Campbell, in Chatham County, has been postponed until the May term of Chatham court. The difficulty that led to the tragedy grew out of Griffin hunting on Campbell's land.

The nine-year-old son of Mr. William Whitehurst, of Pitt County, shot and killed Hoyt Whitaker, a fifteen-year-old orphan boy who lived at the Whitehurst home. The shooting was accidental and occurred when the Whitehurst boy was handling the gun.

The Carolina Warehouse Company to be located in Greensboro was formed by members of the State Farmers' Union in session there Saturday. The purpose of the warehouse is to advance the interest of the farmer as well as the general public in both buying and selling.

At a meeting of the joint committee of the General Assembly on Judicial Districts it was decided that two sub-committees shall work out the apportionment of the State into the twenty judicial districts decided upon and the matter of salaries to be paid the twenty solicitors.

Albert H. Kimball, of near China Grove, was run down by an automobile driven by a young Mr. Hanes, of Salisbury Saturday evening, and died shortly after reaching a hospital at Salisbury, where he was taken. Kimball was riding a bicycle on the streets of China Grove when the fatal accident occurred.

Lee A. Jones, of Speed, N. C., while visiting a friend in Baltimore last week, was "cleaned" of a wallet containing \$200. He boarded a street car and shortly afterwards was jostled by two men. He paid no attention to them. Later he was jostled again, this time harder than the first, by the men, who got off the car at that point. He then remembered his money, and upon feeling for it, found it gone.

Running the State Further in Debt.

The Democrats have increased salaries, created new officers and blown in the people's money until they have almost bankrupted the State and still they keep right on at it. They are now fixing berths for four more Judges and as many Solicitors and the State hasn't got a dollar with which to pay them. That's why they are going to increase the burden of taxation on the dear "peepul."

How the South Suffers From Democratic Rule.

Charlotte Observer.)

Tariff revision under Democratic rule seems to be taking its usual course, to some extent. Articles of Southern make are put down, and those of Northern make are more or less upheld. We make no complaint in this matter against our Northern friends, for the fault rather rests upon and with our representatives in Congress. It is proposed to make a very decided cut of the tariff on cotton goods, while the late news is that the tariff on woolen goods remains almost the same. Southern Representatives in Congress have moved in some degree away from the old fetish of free trade which belonged to the institution of slavery, but we are not yet wholly free from it.

Without any quarrel whatever with the woolen trade, we know, it could better stand a cut than the Southern cotton goods could. Our Representatives in Congress have been so long advocating free trade, that it is hard for them to refuse to acquiesce in a cut on Southern products towards a free-trade basis, but meanwhile Northern Congressmen get the highest tariff possible and hold to it. While the Southern Congressmen are pursuing a theory, and let the practical results go in deference to the theory, the Northern Representatives are pursuing practical results and getting them.

ONE KILLED AND TWO INJURED.

Express Train Strike Hand-Car on Yadkin River Bridge—Three Men Knocked Into the River.

A Salisbury dispatch Monday night reports that one man was killed, two badly injured and several others had a narrow escape from death when a northbound express train collided head-on with a hand-car on the Yadkin River bridge near Spencer Monday night. Of eight men of the car, three were knocked into the river forty feet below. Cicero Armstrong, a negro, was either killed or drowned and Tom Brooks and Joe Reid, two white men swam to a snag in the stream and were rescued by Lindsay Yarborough and Iris Roach, in a boat. A special train was made up and Dr. J. A. Caldwell rushed to the scene. Thomas was taken to a Salisbury sanatorium with nose broken, a bad contusion on the forehead and otherwise bruised. Joe Reid was also taken to the same sanatorium with a broken leg and face badly lacerated. It is thought both will recover.

To Add New Feature to Paper.

(Charlotte Observer.)

The Charlotte Daily Observer is planning to devote a portion of its Sunday issue each week to items of news and articles of merit relating to traveling men, their work and worth to the city from which they work and the country at large in which they "live, move, and have their being." In this undertaking The Observer believes that it will have the cordial endorsement and co-operation of each and every traveling man in the Carolinas and particularly of the two great organizations, the United Commercial Travelers and the Travelers' Protective Association, both of which maintain large and flourishing branches in this city. The greater part of the material will be furnished by special committees from these two organizations and will be devoted especially to affairs of interest to those who travel. It is hoped in time to make this department of the paper one of the most attractive in its Sunday issue. Necessarily the beginning will have to be on a small scale, but with the cordial assistance of the hundreds of traveling men in this territory, it will be made one of real value and merit.

Time to Call a Halt on Democratic Extravagance.

The Legislature must either find a way to put the property of the State on the tax books at its true value, or issue bonds to pay the annual expenses. There is no other alternative. Of course the only course dictated by statesmanship is to assess the property at a higher valuation.—Raleigh News and Observer.

Of course there is no "alternative" but to raise taxes or issue bonds although the State is pretty well loaded down with the latter and the last bonds the State issued were a drag on the market. Two years ago taxes were raised by the "equalization" process and with the natural increase in property valuations the State came up this year with a \$725,000 deficit. You never hear a word about economizing and cutting down expenses and as Governor Kitchin told the Legislature in his address to "make the garment fit the cloth." On the other hand it is more Judges, Solicitors and Courts, State-wide primaries and the State to foot the bill, more appropriations and increasing those now being made, etc. It looks like it was about time to call a halt, take an inventory and a new start along different lines for it is getting about time for one of those "Democratic periodical panics" to roll around and then, pray, what are you going to do?—Union Republican.

Simply Voting the Democratic Ticket.

Clinton News Dispatch.)

Two Fatal Accidental Shootings.

A Winston, N. C., dispatch says: "E. L. Weir, a farmer of Forsyth County, accidentally shot and killed himself early Thursday morning. Arising early, Mr. Weir picked up his gun, telling his wife that he was going to kill some troublesome dogs. Later he returned and in placing his gun behind the door it was discharged, the entire load taking effect in his

face, tearing off half of it, producing death in fifteen minutes. Mr. Weir is survived by a wife and three children.

DEMOCRATIC HUNGER FOR PIE.

One Democratic Editor Admonishes His Party Not to Shake the Plums Until They Are Ripe.

There was a time when the Democratic papers and Democratic politicians claimed that members of their party never sought office, and in fact only accepted an office when they felt it was their patriotic duty. However, their hunger for pie has become so apparent of late that even members of their own household are advising them to go slow and not attempt to shake the plum tree before they secure ground rights. In writing on this subject the Mount Airy News, a Democratic paper, says:

An old politician years ago said that the Democratic party could always be counted on to act the d—m fool every time it had a chance. And the eagerness that is shown by Democrats for office reminds us of the old expression.

Now just suppose the Democratic party was going out of office the 4th of March and our President had the right to make appointments during the remainder of his term. What a howl we Democrats would raise if Republicans tried to keep us from having every office during our term, even to the very last day.

But now that the Republican party has only a few more weeks to serve the country and there are hundreds of offices becoming vacant and naturally would be filled by the present acting President and confirmed at once by the present Senate we Democrats are trying to turn heaven and earth to stop this regular order and keep the Republicans from having what is naturally and by right theirs. Because we are hungry for office is no good reason for trying to keep Republicans from having what belongs to them in the way of patronage that is due them so long as their term of office lasts.

It must be remembered that all Democrats are not after office. There are thousands of Democrats who are willing to give a Republican all that is coming to him even to giving him an office.

Of course it will make every office hunting Democrat in the country mad to say it, but the wisest and most honorable plan for the Democrats to follow is for them to let the Republican Senate alone and let it have what offices are made vacant while the present administration is in power. Some of these days we may have to answer for all our over-anxious for office. If we were going out the 4th of March we would think it an outrage for a set of Republican Senators to be chasing each other out of the United States Senate chamber to keep us from having a quorum and thus defeat us in making confirmations that they might reap the rewards later. It is undignified and unworthy of the men who are trying to take from the Republicans what is naturally theirs, and all for the reason that the country is literally full of men who are, many of them, up against the problem of landing an office or boarding with a relative.

Such Is Democracy.

Clinton News Dispatch.)

But the record runs, that when the Democratic party has squandered the people's taxes in "riotous living" and can no longer find anyone to buy their bonds they will sell the States interest in her railroads. They sold the Western North Carolina Railroad during Governor Jarvis' Administration. Governor Carr, another Democrat, leased the North Carolina road for 99 years, and now it looks like Governor Craig and his crowd are going to sop out the dish by selling the Atlantic and North Carolina road from Goldsboro to Beaufort, the last piece of railroad property the State owns.—But such is North Carolina Democracy.

No Need for Extra Judges.

We may need more judges, but we do not think so. So long as the courts apparently waste half the time allotted to them the lay mind will not appreciate the need of more judges. The trouble must be somewhere else.—Salisbury Post.

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