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## A BARN THAT IS FLY PROOF.

Running Streams of Water Under the Feed Troughs—McWatkins New Structure and Some Points of Interest About It.

A NEWS reporter was yesterday shown through the improved modern barn just finished by Mr. McWatkins, the dairyman whose extensive farm is located to the east of the city. It is the first barn of the kind erected in this country and a description of it will be of peculiar interest to the farmers. The main features of the barn are that it is fly proof, can be kept at a warm temperature in the coldest of weather, can be thoroughly ventilated in summer, and has troughs of running water under the feed boxes. The barn is a large two story frame structure and is located below the spring house. A wagon way leads from the hill side to the second floor of the barn, which is used for feed storage room. An arrangement like a dumb waiter connects each feed box below with the feed room upstairs and the feed is automatically conveyed to the cows. Mr. Watkins is a great believer in ensilage and feeds his stock entirely from silos and pasturage. There are stalls for 52 cows running the length of the barn on the ground floor, with a wagon way between. Along either side of the barn and under the feed troughs running streams of water are conducted, so that the cows have at all times an abundance of fresh water convenient. All they have to do is to stick their noses in it and drink. The doors and windows are provided with wire screens, so that flies are excluded from the barn. The arrangement for cleanliness is as perfect as any yet devised, and as a matter of fact, the barn is as clean as a kitchen. Mr. Watkins is to build a duplicate barn this spring. The farmers of the county are invited to inspect this improved barn. They will find many new ideas from which they may profit.

McWatkin's dairy now supplies an average of 110 gallons of milk per day, the year round. The water supply for the cattle and horses, and cleaning the jars is furnished by a spring from which a large volume flows, and the arrangement of the spring house is a model of neatness and convenience. The equipment upon which Mr. Watkins most prides himself is the airating machine, for cooling and purifying the milk and depriving it of animal heat. It is an instantaneous process. A bucket of boiling water poured into the top of the receptacle comes out at the bottom as cold as spring water. On the whole, Mr. Watkins has one of the best equipped dairy farms in the South. A visit there is at all times interesting.

## The County Commissioners.

At the session of the board of county commissioners Tuesday, it was ordered that the land of Rev. R. A. Miller be reduced from \$1,710 to \$1,400 and that the sheriff be credited with said amount on the Pineville tax list.

E. H. Walker, county treasurer, was ordered to pay the jurors of the March term of the Superior court and the April term of the Circuit Criminal court of 1896, when the tickets of said jurors have been certified by the clerks of said courts.

Walter Ashcraft, E. V. Starnes and George Davis, school committee, district No. 6, Mint Hill, were cited to appear before the board on the first Tuesday in next April, and J. P. Flow and J. E. Lemmons of Arlington, and J. D. Helms, of Clear Creek, school committee of district 7, to appear before the board at the same time.

## The Road Proposition.

The magistrates of Charlotte township, known as the board of trustees, met Monday in special session to have out the fight over the proposed new road from Rebman's store through Stewart's to Capt. Alexander's Mr. Heriot Clarkson appeared for the road boomers and Mr. Chas. W. Tillett for the opposition. The road proposition was defeated by a vote of 18 to 8. "We offered to give them the land," said Esquire Severs, "and don't you think they wouldn't do nothing 'tall."

## The County Commissioners.

At the meeting of the board of county commissioners Monday, the salary of H. C. Little was increased from \$40 to \$50.

J. S. Abernathy was credited with 24 acres of land. Milton Smith, colored of Steel creek, was released from poll tax. D. H. Byerly was given credit for \$100 worth of property.

## TORE A FLAG TO TATTERS

A MOB STONES THE UNITED STATES CONSULATE.

Spaniards Exhibit Their Rage Over the Action of the Senate—Scenes of Riot in Barcelona—They Think They Can Whip the United States.

MADRID, March 1.—Popular feeling here is bitter against the United States because of the action of the Senate in adopting a resolution favoring the granting of belligerent rights to Cuban rebels. The stock market here yesterday responded to the excitement and there was a material decline in purely Spanish and Cuban securities. In view of the financial difficulties under which the government is laboring, this is a most unfortunate time for Spanish securities to decline in value.

At Barcelona, a mob stoned the American consular building. Later there was another outburst of disapproval of the United States, and all things American. This time it took the form of publicly dishonoring the American flag. The rioters had purchased somewhere a large American flag, which after it had been dragged through the streets, was pulled to pieces and amid cries of "Long live Spain" and "Down with the Americans."

A Madrid dispatch says: There is no doubt, at least no doubt expressed of the perfect ability of Spain to whip the United States, the resources of which are not in the least understood by the people generally of this country. In addition to some of the students here a number of roughs and some Republicans attempted to make a demonstration. They rapidly traversed the street from the university to the puerto del sol and thence to the bull ring, shouting "Down with the United States" and "Long live Spain." The movement was promptly checked by the authorities. A majority of the students and inhabitants of the city held aloof.

WASHINGTON, March 2.—After a long conference with the President today, Secretary Olney gave out for publication the following cablegram from Minister Taylor, at Madrid, under date of March 1: "The Minister of State has just called to express deep regret. A mob has insulted the Barcelona Consulate, breaking the windows. He is offered complete reparation. He informed me that the Government, on its own motion, has taken every precaution to aid the legation and my residence. I have asked for no protection."

PARIS, March 2.—Figaro says the vote of the United States Senate regarding Cuba can hardly be excused. It declares that Europe will some day unite against this style of Monroeism.

WASHINGTON, March 2.—There is reluctance on the part of the officers of the department this morning to discuss the Cuban situation which has assumed an unexpected gravity since the action of the Senate. Inquiries for information are referred to Olney, who persisted in declining to discuss publicly such a grave diplomatic question. Spanish Minister Delome also refused to comment. At the department of state and Spanish legation there is a feeling of anxiety over yesterday's developments in Spain that cannot be concealed. The relations of the two countries are under such a strain it is feared that slight additional pressure from either side of the controversy will plunge the two countries into war. This is the only topic of discussion today, while it is impossible to obtain the President's views. It is well understood that he is not in sympathy with the action of the Senate. He does not believe the time has yet arrived for the United States to interfere in the dispute with Spain and Cuba.

## SPAIN OFFERS COMPLETE REPARATION.

WASHINGTON, March 2.—Taking prompt action, Spain offers complete reparation for the Barcelona riots, without a suggestion on part of the United States. This tends greatly to relieve the situation and prevent a serious outcome of the mob's attack on the Consulate. Among the members of the House of Representatives there is no disposition to suppress or delay action upon the report of the Committee of Foreign Affairs on the Cuban question.

## Gov. Greenhalge's Dying.

LOWELL, Mass., March 4.—Gov. Greenhalge's condition is much worse this morning. The physicians say it is impossible for him to live throughout the day.

## WORKING ON THE MINISTERS.

Spain Trying to Get Influence Against Cleveland—The Demonstrations Continue—Armed Trans-Atlantic Steamers.

MADRID, March 4.—It is asserted upon good authority that Spain is now in communication with several European ministers with the view of securing their agreement to join in a protest, in the event President Cleveland declares the belligerency of Cuba. Demonstrations and meetings to protest against the action of the American Senate and House of Representatives continue in the provinces. They are participated in most wholly by students. Demonstrations occurred yesterday at Saragossa, Barcelona, Santiago, Alcañal, Bilbao, Cadiz. Armed trans-Atlantic steamships begin on March 20th to act as cruisers.

## NEW HOPE AND COURAGE.

The Democratic Campaign Programme to be Made Up Monday.

WASHINGTON, Feb. 28.—The Democratic party is getting ready for a very active campaign this fall. The leaders have taken hope from the fact revealed some day or two ago, that there will be no legislation beyond the appropriation bills. Already steps are on foot to make the best kind of a fight next November. The programme will be arranged Monday evening, when the full Democratic Congressional committee will meet to hear the reports of the several sub-committees.

## The Great Slaughter of the Italians.

ROME, March 4.—The kingdom of Italy is plunged into state of excitement beyond description. Every dispatch from Massowah adds to the gravity of the disaster to the Italian Arms. The Dowry, Abyssinia and Crispi ministry will be driven out. When the first news of Gen. Baratieri's defeat reached the city, report had it that only five hundred men were killed. Then in yesterday's dispatch the number ran up to three thousand. This morning's dispatch places the number at five thousand, possibly ten thousand were slain. No mention is made of the wounded. A demonstration against Crispi and the Crown is reported from a number of places, in spite of the fact that the authorities are straining every nerve to suppress alarming news.

## Kentucky Republicans.

FRANKFORT, Ky., March 4.—The Republican state central committee is in session here today and indications point to lively times before adjournment. The expected differences will not be as to the time and place for holding the state convention, but as to the manner of selecting precinct and county delegates. Several of the committeemen who are Hunter's friends believe that Governor Bradley has not done all that he could to assist their leader in his fight for the United States Senatorship and they are inclined to oppose the Governor as much as possible. Some even go so far as to predict a serious split in the party unless an understanding is reached today.

## Confederates Will Not Parade.

RICHMOND, Va., March 1.—In view of the position taken by Commander Walker, of the G. A. R., the leading ex-Confederates in this State are opposed to Southern veterans participating in the joint parade for old soldiers of the civil war in New York on July 4. They take the position that the Southerners cannot afford to march in line with their old opponents if it is not the general wish of the Grand Army of the Republic for them to do so. It seems quite certain now that Confederate veterans from this section will not join the New York parade. The leading papers here oppose it if the G. A. R. officers object to it.

## Another Demonstration—Spain Securing Rifles.

MADRID, March 3.—A crowd of residents of Bilbao made a hostile demonstration last night in front of the American consulate in this city. Several honorary American consuls have resigned as a protest against the action of the Senate. The government has secured in Germany all the Mauser rifles that will be manufactured within the next few months.

## Say It's in the Hands of the Machine.

WASHINGTON, March 3.—The District Convention to elect delegates to the National Democratic convention in Chicago will be held March 12th in the hands of the machine who propose to elect silver delegates to rebuke the administration. The administration is endeavoring to frustrate the scheme.

## SET BACK FOR PRITCHARD.

THE LATEST PLOT IN NORTH CAROLINA POLITICS.

Tom Settle Mak a Himself Fresh—Checked by Lockhart and Woodard—Hawley to Resign and Pritchard May Get His Place. Special to THE NEWS.

WASHINGTON, March 5.—There is another stir in the air. I am informed by a perfectly authorized party that there is a plot going on in North Carolina lately to give Mr. Pritchard a set-back for the United States Senate. It seems that a certain White has been sent to the State by Platt from New York professedly in favor of the Morton boom. My information, moreover, is that on last Friday night this White was met at Greensboro by Messrs Holton, Walsler, Cowles and Brady and an agreement was reached, looking to the defeat of Pritchard before the State Convention. Moreover, it was stated that this White was going over the State whooping up Settle and roasting Pritchard, and it was broadly intimated that other inducements, also, were being used.

Tom Settle yesterday made himself "fresh" by proposing an amendment to the Udegraft bill, cutting down the salary of District Attorney for the Eastern District from \$4,000 mentioned in the bill to \$3,500. Messrs Lockhart and Woodard were quick to check the young man, and he was squelched under an overwhelming vote. The fact was developed that Settle didn't even live in the district, and Chairman Henderson ignored his amendment.

State Geologist Holmes is here today trying to reconcile the Federal Appropriation bill with the needs of the State Geological Survey. The amount put down for North Carolina is \$4,500.

I am told that Senator Hawley will today resign from the Committee on Pensions and that he has urged Mr. Pritchard to take his place. It is thought that Senator Pritchard will be appointed, which is a great compliment, and one that may bring practical results to many veterans in the State.

Mr. C. G. Lanier, of Winston, returned home last night. W. E. C.

## What the Italians Want to Know.

The Charlotte Italians are naturally much interested in the Abyssinian war news, but the dispatches fail to satisfy them on one point—the number of Abyssinians killed. A NEWS reporter stopped by Joe Vita's peanut roaster yesterday afternoon, and Joe was polished apples as he talked. "Just think of it," said THE NEWS, "six thousand Italians killed." Joe gave the apple a few extra rubs, and shrugged his shoulders. "How many of the other feds did they say was killed?" was his response to the reporter. Just then Joe's clerk came up and heard the news. His prompt inquiry was, "How many 'sinys were killed?" Joe talks with great intelligence on the Abyssinian campaign and in all things pertaining to Italy and the Italians is the best posted man in town.

## Marland's Wife Heard From.

Mr. W. A. Griffith has received a telegram from the wife of James Marland, the man found dead on his farm last week. Mrs. Marland lives in Bideford, Me., and had not received the particulars of her husband's death at the time she sent the dispatch. Mr. Griffith received a dispatch also from the manager of the Woonsocket (R. I.) mills where Marland was employed, requesting that the body be forwarded to Bideford. Mr. Griffith wrote particulars of the death and interment of Marland and is now waiting further advices.

## One Mule Pulls Another's Tongue Out by the Roots.

Two mules were at play in a pasture rented by James Thompson, on the Betsy Gringle farm near Harrisburg, last Sunday. In their play, one of them got the other by the tongue and held on so fast and pulled so hard that the unfortunate mule's tongue was pulled out by the roots. The tongueless mule had to be killed.

## Mr. Henderson for Register of Deeds.

The indications point to an early campaign in Mecklenburg. The primaries for the nomination of candidates will occur in June. Mr. J. Arthur Henderson has announced his candidacy for the office of register of deeds, now held by Mr. J. W. Cobb, and is already at work on his campaign. Mr. A. M. McDonald of Mint Hill, is also a candidate for register of Deeds.

## WOULD BE BLER OFF DEAD.

That is What They Say About Gen. Baratieri—The Italian Disaster Grows More Appalling.

ROME, March 5.—The ministry announces its resignation to the chamber of deputies. It has been accepted. The disaster to the army at Adowa grows more appalling with each bit of news. The news report that Gen. Baratieri, commander of the Italians, had suicided, is incorrect. It seems this would have been the best thing to have done for the sentiment is growing to court-martial him. It is reported that he deserted his troops while they were fighting gallantly against overwhelming numbers of Abyssinians. The official and private residences of the cabinet ministers, the Royal Palace and embassies and all important public buildings were guarded by the troops throughout the night. The soldiers are still on duty today. Neighborhood chamber of deputies is held by a strong force of infantry. Every precaution is adopted to quell an outbreak should there be any such disturbance.

## PUNCHING UP THE PRESIDENT.

Congress Becoming Impatient and Will Soon Force Him to Act—Olney's Statement.

WASHINGTON, D. C., Mar. 5.—Senator Morgan, Cullum and others are impatient for action by the President on the Cuban resolutions. They express the belief that unless he soon acts, Congress will again take a hand, intervene war and put the President in the field in spite of himself. Morgan says that Congress wouldn't sit still, if Cuban matters grow worse, neither will we be content to sit still and let the President do nothing. Olney's statement in behalf of the President that the Cubans don't hold any part of Cuba, is ridiculed generally in Congress. Adams, of the House foreign affairs committee, said today that the Cubans held more than half of the island.

## Accessory to the Crime.

A negro named Henry Little was arraigned before Esquire Maxwell Tuesday on charge of being accessory to the burglary of Mr. Cowan Shields' house, in Long Creek township, on the night of January 8, when Mr. Shields was shot. The evidence against him is not so positive as it is against Monroe Johnston, and is of a circumstantial nature. However, the magistrate felt justified in committing Little to jail for trial at the next term of the Criminal court.

## Rewards for Train Wreckers.

General Superintendent Green, of the Southern railway company, has offered a reward of \$1,000 for the arrest of the men who wrecked the passenger train at Cave Spring, seventy miles below Macon Saturday night. The state of Georgia has offered \$250 for the arrest of the miscreants and with the offer made by the Southern this places a price of \$1,250 upon the heads of the wreckers.

## Facts About the Cotton Crop.

The movement of cotton in the United States for six months ending February 29, as furnished THE NEWS by the New Orleans Cotton Exchange, shows total crop in sight March 1, 6,052,002 bales, against 8,586,912 in 1895; 6,616,608 in 1894 and 5,774,343 in 1893. The total supply for the first six months of the season is 6,361,956 bales, against 8,822,942 last year and 6,926,564 the year before.

## Getting Interesting.

KEY WEST, March 5.—Passengers from Havana report that Maceo's forces are within hearing. It is rumored that Weyler is about to resign. The Americans are leaving Havana, fearing Spanish mobs.

## New Advertisements To-Day.

Hosiery—D. H. Baruch.  
Ready for you—Harris & Kessler.

Auction sales—John C. Mallo-nee.

For sale—Hugh W. Harris, Attorney.

Spring goods—T. L. Alexander, Son & Co.

Administrator's notice—H. Q. Alexander, Adm'r.

Notice—J. M. Morrow, Clerk of the Superior Court.

Mortgagee's sale of land—Lila S. Russell, Mortgagee.  
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