

Seigle's

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Interesting Bits of Store News Picked Up at Seigle's for You.



The days are passing quickly and we are on the very brink of lovely spring. Already the lovely spring beauties are peeping forth here and there over the store, like the crocuses pushing their way up to sunshine through the dead leaves of winter. Just as here, the lovely Gingham from the hands of the makers are peeping up in that department for the admiration of early shoppers. The dear little dainty Chiffons that add the artists touch to beauty are here in great profusion, in all of the delicate shades, at 25c, 50c, 65c, 85c and so on. The embroideries at it is of the first class. With needle and thread they paint for us the loveliest of vine Lingerie, fashions, blooming bonnets, and in fact rival our artists that use the paint and brush. The most delicate designs beautifully executed on muslin, nainsook, Jackinet and Swiss. Our high art embroideries are now in and on sale. Several thousand dollars are invested in the handsomest of goods and the entire product for Spring '92 is here in its entirety, its freshness and beauty. Each day brings us fresh invoices of dainty stuffs from across the sea. Our large lot of Hamburgs have the salt sea foam spray hanging around them yet. They are bargained no mistake. Mail orders have prompt attention.

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Cleveland Passed Through.

Ex-President Grover Cleveland passed through Charlotte, on the vestibule train at 9 o'clock last night, on the return home from his hunt in Louisiana. There was a party of twelve Texas merchants on board and they gave a supper in the dining car complimentary to Mr. Cleveland. The buffet was drawn upon for its best. The party were at supper when the train reached here, and were still at the table when the train left Salisbury. Mr. Frank, a prominent New Yorker presided at the head of the table. There were several toasts one of which was responded to briefly by the ex-President. Mr. Cleveland managed to get in a word or two with a News reporter. He would not mention politics, but of his trip South he spoke freely and eloquently. He said that brief as was his trip, it was one of the most enjoyable of his life. He was decidedly well pleased with his reception at the hands of the Southern people. As to what luck he had had with his gun, he would not commit himself.

The Statesville Vestibule Wrecked.

It isn't often that an accident occurs to the vestibule train that links Charlotte to Statesville, but the train that left here at 4:30 o'clock yesterday afternoon for Statesville, got into a bad fix a short distance out of town. At Crofts, a truck under the tender broke and there was a general derailing of engine and cars. No one was hurt in the wreck, but the track was not cleared until late in the night.

Local Ripples.

—Very few farmers come to the city now-a-days. They are too busy engaged in stirring the soil.

—Cotton still comes in at a right good rate. The wagons unloaded 84 bales at the platform this morning.

—Rev. I. G. Broughton, of Raleigh, has received a call to the pastorate of the Baptist church at Concord.

—Rev. Dr. W. S. Cressy will conduct prayer meeting services at the First Presbyterian church to-night.

—The pretty weather continues, but high winds and clouds of dust were a disagreeable element this afternoon.

—Evangelist Fife is now holding a series of meetings in Tarboro. Rev. Sam Jones will lecture in Raleigh to-morrow night and Friday night.

—Mr. S. H. Youngblood, of Huntersville and Miss Kit Boyd of Maiden, Catawba county, were married this morning at the home of the bride's father.

—The regular monthly meeting of the Ladies Auxiliary Society will be held on Thursday afternoon, at 4 o'clock at the Y. M. C. A. Members please attend.

—Mr. John B. Eaves, Dr. Mott, Marshall Mott and several other prominent Republicans passed through Salisbury last night en route for Raleigh, where a meeting of the Republican State executive committee is to be held to-day. They were all in high feather.

New Advertisements To-Day.

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Gold Breastpin lost.
Store news—T. L. Seigle & Co.
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THE TRAIN WRECKER.

STORY OF A LIFE OF CRIME AND PILLAGE.

The Career of John Boyd, the Negro in the Charlotte Jail, as Disclosed by Those who Have Shadowed Him Since Last October—Arrested for a Petty Theft While the Links of a Great Crime were Being Forged Around Him—The Story of his Deeds as he Tells It—The Identifications.

The Richmond & Danville Railroad authorities claim that they have beyond a doubt, arrested one of the parties implicated in the wrecking of the passenger train at Boston's bridge on the Western North Carolina Railroad, on the 27th of last August. They claim that he is the very one who misplaced the rail, and he is now in the Charlotte jail, and has been, for six weeks past. He is a negro named John Boyd. As to his guilt or innocence, THE NEWS has no opinion to express, but it tells the story as it got it last night from one in authority. The whole forms an interesting chapter. Hearing that this official, who has kept an eye on the various stages of the search for the wrecker's sneaky day of the disaster, was at Salisbury. THE NEWS last night dispatched a special reporter to that place to secure a detailed history of the case. In this the reporter was successful. What he learned is told below, but for obvious reasons, pending arrangements for the trial, which will be held in Charlotte some of the evidence held by the railroad company cannot yet be given to the public. The case against John Boyd as related in THE NEWS last night is as follows:

There were but three colored men on the train when it went down, and of these, one was killed. The other two were badly injured. Two minutes after the cars were shattered on the ground a negro was seen going through the sleeping car, robbing. Just as he entered the shattered end of the car he was met by two passengers who were crawling out. He had an open knife in his hand. One of the passengers who was injured, appealing to him, said: "Please help me out." To this he replied: "Damn you, you are well enough off." Both passengers got a good look at the intruder as he ran in the fearful fright of the hour, his evident presence there for the purpose of robbery, so impressed them that they said they could identify him, if ever again they laid eyes on him. The one who appealed to him for help, saw him going through the pockets of a pair of pants. These two passengers described the intruder minutely, even to the clothes he wore, and the railroad authorities at once set about the task of capturing him. It was soon work but eventually they got a clew, and the following October they had the man spotted. From that day until the jail doors closed on him in Charlotte, his footsteps were followed day and night by eyes that never lost sight of him, while other hands were getting the chain of evidence complete. The case was almost made up against him, when the Charlotte police arrested him for stealing a cow, and he was placed in jail here. That was last December. The railroad authorities took steps to secure his safe confinement, and then continued their investigations. Two weeks ago, the passenger who had called for help in the wreck and received such a brutal reply, arrived in Charlotte. He was taken to the jail, and showed into a corridor,

where Sheriff Smith had ranged all his prisoners, seven in number, in line. He cast one glance along the line and riveted his gaze upon Boyd. Pointing his finger to that individual he said, and his tone was decided: "That is the man." Subsequently the other passenger arrived here, and he was taken to the jail, where the prisoners were again lined up. On being shown into the room, he very readily picked out Boyd. "That is him," he said, "it is painful to see him." So the identification is complete.

Boyd is an ex-convict and that period of his life from May 1891, to the present time is covered by records secured by the railroad authorities. They have traced him day by day and have a record that bears conviction. Boyd was sentenced to the penitentiary in Columbia for burglary, in January 1891. In May 1891, he made his escape. He turned up at Fort Shoals, N. C., then at Chester, then at Charlotte. He worked here for Mr. McQuay, on Capt. Alexander's farm, was a teamster for a man named Scott, and served for a few days at a brick yard. In July he left Charlotte and went to Statesville, where he got in a gang of four other ex-convicts. He remained at Statesville until after the wreck. Then he went to Winston, where he changed his name to Tom Miller. From Winston he went to Greensboro, then to Lexington, to Salisbury and back to Charlotte. He committed burglaries and robberies at each of these places, all of which are proven on him.

The story of his operations as told by himself to confederates, on four different occasions, did not vary in a single instance and corroborates the evidence that has been gathered against him. Since his incarceration, he has denied everything, but the stories of pillage and robbery he had previously told had been sustained by proof, and it is reasonable to suppose that his version of the wreck, as given in his confiding moments to those whose business it was to trap him, is also true. At all events, the railroad men say they have evidence to prove it. The story told by Boyd, and which he now denies is substantially that he got away from the penitentiary and finally landed at Statesville, as has been told. There he got in with four other negroes, and they spent the time gambling and thieving. Finally after having been "broke" for a few days, he conceived the idea of wrecking a train and got the others to join him. They intended to wreck a freight due at the bridge at 2 o'clock and with a claw bar and a wrench, they set to work removing the rail. They first started to draw the spikes on the outside, but after breaking off one spike, they got to work on the inside, drew the spikes and pulled out the rail. The freight train they expected had been annulled, and in its place came the passenger train. "When the fellows saw it was a passenger train," said Boyd, "they got scared and ran off. But I didn't care. I ran down as soon as she tumbled and got in. If any of them had resisted me, I intended to cut their throats. I took a pair of specs from an old woman, and got one fellow's watch and pocket book, then an old man ran me out. That's all I got from the wreck." After telling of some money he knew other parties to have taken, Boyd said that he went to Winston and changed his name to Tom Miller. He burned a car load of cotton on the Roanoke & Southern

road and went through a hotel in Winston and stole a fine gold watch from a Baltimore man named Floyd. He afterwards sold this watch in Greensboro for \$12, and through the railroad detectives, it was returned to Mr. Floyd. Boyd then tells of petty depredations until he got back to Charlotte. He had planned to rob Capt. R. H. Alexander's house, and had got so far as to raise a window, when he was frightened by a noise. He then went to Mr. McQuay's house, slipped in the back door while the family was at supper, and going into the sleeping room, hid under a bed. When all was quiet he robbed the house. Mr. McQuay's father-in-law, Mr. Rhyme, was there on a visit that night. Boyd got his watch and chain. When Boyd was jailed, Sheriff Smith found a gold chain in his pocket. Mr. Rhyme identifies the chain as the one that was stolen from him that night at his son-in-law's house.

The Whiskey Cases—To Go Before Judge Bynum.

THE NEWS' report closed yesterday afternoon with the result of the vote on the application of Joe Lindy for license. Mr. W. C. Maxwell wanted commissioners Hilton and Kirkpatrick to state the ground for their refusal but they declined. He then asked that the board hear the second petition of Mr. Badger and Mr. McCorkle. Mr. Jettin had to leave on the 4:30 train for his home on account of sickness in his family, but Mr. Moore said he was willing, however, to remain as long as there was any business before the board. Messrs. Hilton and Kirkpatrick adjourned, though, and no date was set for the future hearing of the cases.

THE NEWS learns that counsel for the liquor men will take Mr. Lindy's case before Judge Bynum, at Monroe, next week.

An Old Building Being Demolished.

The old eye-sore Floral hall, formerly the pride of the projectors of the Fair Association, but now property of the Four C's, at Dilworth, is being torn down to make room for improvements in contemplation, and to utilize its timber in a way that will be of service to the patrons of Latta Park. The busy season mapped out by the enterprising gentlemen connected with Charlotte's wide-awake improvement company, will be developed as the months roll by. One thing is certain, that all the beauty and artifice can attempt to vie with nature, will be bestowed on the resort which last summer became so popular with the people. Additional cars will be put on the electric line, ensuring the convenient handling of the crowds which will be attracted thither.

Marriage This Morning.

Major M. M. Heartt, of Steele Creek township, was married in this city this morning, to Miss Janie Gifford. The ceremony was performed at 11 o'clock, at the residence of the bride's mother, Mrs. Ann Gifford, by Rev. Mr. Wharton, of Steel Creek church, and immediately thereafter, the newly wedded left for Major Heartt's home.

Wreck on the R. & O.

TOLEDO, Ohio, Feb. 3.—A wreck occurred on the Baltimore & Ohio road this morning in which several passengers were killed.



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