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GANNON TALKS ABOUT STRIKE.

Says the Machinists are Putting up a Huge Bluff.

WILL DRAW ON EUROPE.

Says the Southern Railway Will Not Consider the Nine Hour Proposition and Does not Propose to be Dictated to as to How to Run Its Business—General Manager Huffy.

Washington, May 31.—General Manager Gannon, of the Southern Railway, in discussing the strike of the machinists as affecting the road says that the system does not and will not feel it in the least.

"The whole thing," he says, "is a huge bluff and will soon die out. The Southern Railway System will not consider the nine-hour proposition nor will it be told by any one how the plant shall be operated.

The machinists organization is practically bankrupt to-day and cannot support idle men and pay the elaborate expenses for a lot of traveling delegates.

We employ 900 men, and about half of them are out. We do not recognize the organization which tries to gain a point by depriving old employees of earning an honest living and never will.

The most absurd proposition of the machinists is the one which attempts to dictate to their employers the proportion of apprentices they may employ. The moment the demand for machinists is in excess of the supply the whole ofEurope will be drawn upon and the men at home thereby have killed the goose that laid the golden egg.

We will know by Monday just what steps to take in the matter. The men who have gone out will by that time have had a chance to think it over. This is our dull season and we do not need a full force now."

BRITISH LOSS HEAVY

They Have a Hot Conflict With the Boers

London, May 31.—The war office this morning announced a big battle at Vladfontein, between the Boers, under Delarey, and the British under Col. Dickson. The news came from Lord Ktichener.

The Boers, he reports, were finally driven off but not before the British had sustained severe losses.

Lord Kitchener's dispatch is dated Pretoria May 30th—7 p. m. and is as follows:

Col. Dickson's force at Vladfontein was attacked yesterday by a force of Boers under commandant Delarey. The enemy was eventually driven off with heavy loss, leaving 35 dead on the ground.

I regret to say that our casualties were also severe. The killed and wounded numbered 174, among whom were captain Armstrong and Lieutenants Noke, Campion and McDougal killed."

Vladfontein is the extreme south of the Transvaal about sixty miles southeast of Johannesburg.

Pardons by the President.

Washington, D. C., May 31.—President McKinley today pardoned J. C. Gilliam, of the Indian Territory, convicted October 10th, 1899 and sentenced to five years for horse stealing. Gilliam who is only 16 years old, has tuberculiosis.

The sentence of J. W. Hodges, Eastern Caro, North Carolina, who retailed liquor without a license, commuted from one year in jail to 8 months, which brings the term to a close July 1. In the case of W. A. Robinson, Paducah, Ky., fined $100 for acting as pilot on Tennessee river without license, fine remitted.

All Satisfactory.

Trenton, May 31.—President O'Connell, of the International Association of Machinists, states that reports from all parts of the country continue satisfactory.

Trouble at Chicago, where the Metal Trades Association rescinded the nine hours agreement and 8,000 men struck, was unexpected, but she says it will probably not last long.

Negotiations Off.

Dayton, Ohio, Ma y31.—President Gompers of the American Federation of Labor ,expresses satisfaction at the labor situation generally but deplores local conditions, as he thought it would have national effect. He believes cash register will be settled soon but President Patton of the Company declares all negotiations are considered off.

Must be Unconditional.

Washington, D. C., May 31.—The cabinet decided to-day to have conveyed the information to the Cuban Congress that its acceptance of the Platt amendment is unsatisfactory and that it desires the acceptance of the amendment without conditions.

CONDITION POOR.

Outlook for the Cotton Crop is Bad.

Washington, D. C., May 31.—The statistician of the Department of Agriculture today, in a statment of the cotton crop says:

Total area planted in cotton, estimatetd at 27,532,000 acres. Increase over two million acres or over eight per cent over acreage planted last year and ten per cent over acreage actually picked. Increase in States where area planted and that picked last year were practically the same is ten per cent in North Carolina, Florida and Arkansas; nine per cent in Georgia and Louisiana; seven per cent in South Carolina; fourteen per cent in Tennessee; 25 in Oklahoma; 20 in Indian Territory; 18 in Virginia and 12 in Missouri.

In Louisiana the increase is estimated at 9 per cent over the acreage planted last year and 12 per cent over that picked. The average condition of growing crop is 81.5, as compared with 82.5 June 1 last year 85.7 corresponding date 1899 and 86.4 mean of June averages of last ten years. The condition of 81.5, with one execption, is the lowest June condition in twenty years.

SENSATIONAL DEVELOPMENTS.

May Follow the Ghastly Find in a Cellar.

Birmingham, Eng., May 31.—Emma Knowles, the woman undertaker, in the celler of whose house the bodies of thirty-one infants were found, yesterday, is held by the police without bail, pending an inquest which takes place Monday.

The woman offered a flimsy explanation of the ghastly find. She claims she received the babies for burial, at the rate of sixty-two cents each, which did not warrant the expenses of burying them in soap boxes in cellar.

Thus far only four doctors' certificates have been produced to account for the deaths of the infants. The police have not been able to trace the others. A "baby farm," is hinted at and sensational developments are looked for.

FATAL COLLISION.

Cars Get From Under Control and the Result is Disastrous

Wilmington, Del., May 31.—Three cars on the new Peoples Railway, which operated yesterday for the first time, were in a collision this morning at 1 o'clock. One person was killed and about a score injured. The dead man is a German supposed to be Gilman, of this city.

The cars were crowded returning from Brandy Wine Springs. In one hill car the brakes wound not hold coming down hill, and it kept bumping into a car ahead of it. An open car was coming in the opposite direction and the three of them came together, throwing out the passengers in all directions.

Rains Continue.

Washington, May 31.—The following heavy precipitation ,in inches, has been reported during the past 24 hours: Meridian, Miss., 1.86; Vicksburg, 3.76; Shreveport, La., 1.06; Atlanta, Ga., 1.72; Montgomery, Ala., 2.20; Palestine, 1.06; Athens, Ga., 1.90; Henrietta, Texas, 3.84; Long View, Texas, 2.30; Sherman, Texas, 1.76; Livingston, Ala., 1.84; Thomasville, Ala., 2.00.

Thought to be Lost.

Baltimore, Md., May 31.—The Ship, John McDonald, 245 days out from Baltimore to San Francisco, is thought to have been lost. No tidings of the vessel have been had for several months and the 90 per cent reinsurance is being offered. Twenty-five people and captain Watt's wife are aboard.

Our Population.

Washington, D. C., May 31.—The Census Bureau this afternoon made, its final announcement of the population of the United States, including Hawaii, Alaska, Indian Territory and India Reservations. It is 76,303,387.

Previous announcement made November 27th last but subject to changes placed the population at 76,304,799.

Young Bernhardt Challenged.

Paris, May 31.—Maurice Bernhardt, son of the famous actress, has been challenged to fight a duel. Mme. Sarah Bernhardt is greatly worried and threatens to abandon her London engagements unless the affair is speedily adjusted.

Gave Them the Slip.

Amsterdam, May 31.—Kruger has just reecived advices announcing that General French, the English officer thought to have been captured two months ago ,slipped through the Boer forces. He has been sick and will take the field soon.

Negro Hanged.

Baltimore, May 31.—Wiley Kirk, the young negro who, March 7th last, outraged Mrs. Barbara Green near Sparrows Point, Baltimore county, was hanged in the jail yard at Townson at 10:20 o'clock this morning.

—The C. M. I. medals are on exhibition at Garibaldi & Bruns'.

—Mr. J. Harvey Henderson is no better.

W. B. STANCILL PARDONED.

PAPERS SENT FORWARD TO-DAY.

Mr. Heritor Clorkson this morning received the following telegram:

Raleigh, N .C., May 31.

To H. Clarkson, Esq.,
Charlotte, N. C.

Governor has pardoned W. B. Stancill. The papers have been sent to the sheriff of Gaston county.

P. M. PEARSALL,
Private Sacretary.

Mr. Stancill was not in the city when the telegram which brought him such good news was received. Mr. Clarkson notified him as soon as possible. The friends of Mr. Stancill while not holding him blameless in having shot a man for whom he had no warrant and in a place entirely beyond his province as an officer ,are glad that he's saved the ignominy of having to work on the public roads, as his sentence prescribed.

Messrs. Z. T. Smith and W. S. Orr, went on Mr. Stancill's bond. As soon as the decision of the Supreme Court was known, several days ago, Mr. Stancill surrendered himself to his bondsmen. They told him to go on about his business; that they were not uneasy about his not reporting at the proper time.

DOWIE BREAKS OUT AGAIN

AND MAKES SOME PROPHECIES.

Chicago, May 31.—"Hundreds of thousands of people are to-day scattering flowers on the graves of dead soldiers and decorating the mounds with little flags. It is time this sort of thing ceased. The men who gave up their lives for their country deserve to be held in loving remembrance, but it is nonsense to continue the forms of this decorating day, when the things it commemorates are fast passing from the minds of the people.

All these memories fade away but men and women ought to concern themselves in knocking the shackles of sin and disease from humanity today, rather than to keep up an outward show in celebration of the knocking off the fetters from the wrists of the slaves."

Striding up and down on the platform of an open air auditorium in the centre of Zion City yesterday afternoon John Alexander Dowie uttered these words to 6,000 people that sat together among the trees and listened without protest.

Not far away thousands of revential hands were scattering blossoms among the graves of the dead soldiers in Rose Hill and Calvary. Dowie cursed the editors, bankers, doctors, prophesied that before very long they would cease to revere the flag of this or that nation, but would follow the gold white and blue flag of Zion above all others. His last words before he left the platform were: "I want to repeat that next Lord's day, I will make the most important declaration ever made in my life, the most important that has been made for nearly 1900 years." This is supposed to mean Dowie's declaration that he is Elijah.

WITHOUT A COUNTRY ARE

THE FILLIPINOS, SO IT APPEARS.

London, May 31.—The Filipino Junta in London, sprung a surprise on Ambassador Choate this afternoon. Felix Verzosa, Filipino, accompanied by counsel, Dr. Regidor and Senor Jurado, visited the Embassy to get a passport for a European tour. Mr. Choate, when their mission was made known to him, replied:

"I am afraid I must refuse as my power to act in such a case has not yet been decided. I will be unable to act until instructed and will immediately cable therefor."

Spain referred to the American Ambassador, who admitted that Spain had no jurisdiction, and could not tell Filipino's who they were if not Americans; said the question could only be answered by the Supreme Court. Application was finally taken and decision will be made later. The Filipinos will bring the case before the Supreme Court if the passport is refused.

THE EMPEROR OF GERMANY

TOASTS THE QUEEN OF HOLLAND.

Berlin, May 31.—At the banquet given last evening in honor of Queen Wilhelmina of Holland and Consort Prince Henry ,at the New Palace at Potsdam, the Kaiser toasted the Queen saying:

"To work for the people; to live, study and be with them,have my forefathers learned in the Netherlands. I declare with my whole heart and much the house of Hohenzollern is indebted to the House of Orange."

Queen Wilhelmina's reply to the Emperor's toast was:

"I also ,wish with my whole heart, that the old and proved relations between our houses may always subsist for the welfare of our people."

This morning the Royal party made a triumphal entry into Berlin through the Brandenburg gate. They were received at the gate by the Burgomaster, 25 ladies in waiting and others.

Y. M. C. A.

The boys department of the Young Men's Christian Association had an enjoyable gathering at the building last evening from 6 to 8 o'clock. Physical director Thompson, assisted by Messrs. W. R. Robertson and R. W. Barnett, gave them an exhibition of tumbling and fancy gymnastic work and the boys work committee of the Ladies' Auxiliary treated them to a liberal supply of strawberries and cakes.

Mr. F. B. Brantly will address the Men's meting at the Y. M. C. A. on Sunday.

Striker's Statement.

The strike at Spencer is still on. One of the strikers was here today. This is his statement: "Sixty-three out of 65 men are out, making 75 in all. Ninety-seven per cent of all the machinists on the system are out. We, hace telegrams to prove this. Our demands are nine hours work with ten hours pay, and official recognition of our order, the International Association of Machinists."

New Mouse Trap.

Mr. F .M. Hoover this morning discovered that fly paper—stickey paper—would catch otherthings besides flies—mice for instance. A mouse undertook to rub across a piece of the paper, but the paper proved a mouse trap. The mouse couldn't extract itself. It was eventually removed and given to a big cat that had been looking at but not venturing too near the paper.

—Don't forget the wreathes for Camp Chase. Send them to Veteran Hall by Tuesday morning at 10 o'clock.

Concert at Vance Park.

The following programme will be rendered by the Charlotte Band tonight at Vance park, commencing at 8 o'clock:

March, "Masked Battery," Buckley.
Selection, "Bohemian Girl," Balfe.
March ,"First North Carolina Regiment," (dedicated to Major Robertson), Musto.
Cake Walk, "Hunky Dory," Holzman.
March, "Adlakie," Brooks.
Overture, Bressant.
March, "Santilla," Musto.
Cake Walk, "Coon Hollow Capers," Gillis.
March, "Eleven O'Clock Toast," Winstein.
Selection, "Around the Metropolis," Beyer.

Papists not Baptists.

In the item yesterday in regard to the recent meeting of the Northern Presbyterian Assembly, as narrated by Rev. Dr. McKelway, the reporter wrote quoting from Dr. McKelway: "The Radicals tho' wanting to strike out that expression, made no move to change the expression elsewhere in the Confession Papists and other idolaters."

The linotypist set it up "Popists." The "o" was changed to "a" and the proof sent back. The linotypist had an attack of water on the brain and changed "Papists" to "Baptists."

This by way of explanation to the public and apology to Dr. McKelway.

—Mr. J. Y. Orders is building three houses on Mint street for Mrs. Buena V. Dirkins of 202 East Vance street.

DEATH OF MILDRED KEERANS

A Beautiful Baby Spirit Fled During the Night.

Mildred, the 9-months old daughter of Dr. and Mrs. E. P. Keerans died this morning at 3:45 at their home on South Tryon street, after an illness of four weeks.

The fading of this little flower has been watched with sympathetic interest and anxiety by the many who are interested in the young parents, and the tidings that came from their beautiful home with the dawn of today spread a gloom over many hearts.

The crowning joy of this lovely home was the beautiful baby that came last August—a baby with big violet eyes fringed with dark lashes and overshadowed by an exquisitely arched brow; an abundance of soft, dark hair, perfect features and the sweetest expression imaginable. As the baby grew each point of beauty became more pronounced and Mildred Keerans was known as one of the most beautiful babies in the city. She was bright and winsome as well as beautiful, her cute little ways giving her, even in the first year of babyhood, individuality that was uncommon.

For four weeks the anxious parents and grand mother, Mrs. John E. Oates, have watched day and night every change in the baby's condition. A week ago their hearts were made glad by a change for the better, but their joy was short lived. Alarming symptoms re-appeared and nearer and nearer drew the death angel. At 3:45 this morning the long black lashes closed over the big blue eyes for the last time, and across an ideally happy home fell the first shadow and two young parents knew their first sorrow.

The funeral services will be held at the residence to-morrow morning at 10 o'clock by Rev. Dr. J. W. Stagg. The pall bearers will be: Messrs. J. M. Oates, George H. Brockenbrough; Masters Tom Wilson and Tom Alexander.

REAPING.

Dr. Hale on the Famous Reaping and Sowing Text.

Despite the rain this morning Dr. P. T. Hale had a good congregation at Tryon Street Baptist church to hear his sermon on "Whatsoever A Man Soweth that Shall he Also Reap." By illustration and argument he impressively set forth that this lay holds good in every sphere of life—it holds good in business, in the home, and especially in the spiritual life. We are all sowing, either good or bad seed, and the harvest is certain. Many men would gladly reap what they have not sown, but they cannot. "He shall reap." We reap, too, as we sow, if we sow sparingly we shall also reap sparingly. "The liberal sould shall be fat." This was a very impressive discourse and will long be remembered by all who heard it.

To-night Dr. Hale will preach his last sermon in Charlotte. His topic will be the "Improvement of Heaven."

Last night quite a number expressed a desire to be Christians and two were received for membership. Although the rain has interferred much with the meetings, yet there had been deep interest and doubtless many will yet come out on God's side.

C. M. I.

The Commencement Exercises—Programme.

The students of theCharlotte Military Institute have issued invitations to their commencement exercises Monday, June 3rd, 8:30 p. m. Superior Court room.

The programme is as follows:

Welcome: Master Rush Miller.

Declamations: "The Patriotism of Southern Women." Jesse Garrett. "Poet Priest," Frank Mallonee.

Annual Debate: Query: "Resolved, That life in the country is more favorable to the development of character than life in the city." Affirmative: Lloyd Ranson, Eli M. Hinson, Harry G. Link. Negative: Guy G. Shannonhouse, William Summerville, John H. VanLandingham.

Committee of Decision: Hon. Armstead Burwell, C. W. Tillett, Esq., Heriot Clarkson, Esq.

Delivery of medals and awarding of scholarships: Rev. J. W. Stagg.

Marshals: Charles Mullen, Geo. F. Rutzler, Jr., Willis Newell, Walter Cowles, B. L. Buchanan, Algie Holland, Jas. Oates.

Victoria College of Music

The Secretary, Dr. Charles R. Fisher, has just received word that Misses Annie S. Haines, Azile M. Pool and S. Hilda Gehrken have been awarded the diploma of Associate in Music, Victoria Collge, London. The examinations were held at Elizabeth College last April under the direction of Dr. Barron, and the papers sealed up and forwarded to London.

Grocers Early Closing.

The following wholesale grocers will close at 3 p. m. on Saturdays during the summer, beginning to-morrow: Mayer Grocery Co., J. A. Durham & Co., Pearce & Co., J. B. Ross, & Co., and The Charlotte Grocery Company.

—Miss Elizabeth Wildenhain, the Christian Scientist, who is here, talks of building a church here.

—Music at Vance Park and Latta Park to-night.

LANDMARK GONE

DR. SANDIFER DEAD

Passed Away Last Night at 9 O'clock at His Home at Paw Creek.

ABLE AND GOOD MAN GONE

Dr. Sandifer was a Native of Yorke County, S. C.—Began Practising Medicine in Gaston 1842—Moved to Mecklenburg Shortly After—During the War a Leading Physician.

Dr. T. T. Sandifer, a landmark of Paw Creek township, entered into rest last night at 9 o'clock at his home at Paw Creek station.

Dr. Sandifer was 83 years of age. He was one of the oldest and most prominent citizens of this county. He represented the county one term in the Legislature, served several terms as county commissioner and for the greater part of his life was in public service in one capacity or another.

Before and for some years after the Civil War he was one of the leading physicians of the county. He was a man of brain and in any assembly commanded attention whenever he spoke. As a man, Dr. Sandifer was upright and honorable; wise in counsel, kind of heart, brave and loyal to country and friends. He was a pillar in Paw Creek church. In the Presbyterian church courts he was often heard and his counsel was always wise.

Dr. Sandifer was born in York county, S. C. He began the practice of medicine in 1842 in Gaston county and soon afterward moved to Paw Creek where he has since lived.

Dr. Sandifer was twice married. His first wife was a Miss Wilson; his second wife, who survives, a Miss Graham.

He leaves a number of children. His relatives by marriage, in this city, are: Mrs. Robert Sandifer, daughter-in-law; Mr. John M. Graham, and Mrs. Walter Wallis, nephew and niece.

The funeral took place this afternoon at 3 o'clock at Paw Creek church and was largely attended.

EVANGELIST FLANDERS.

Starts To-Day on Tour With Gospel Tent.

Rev. W. N. Flanders, the evangelist who has spent several weeks in camp back of Elizabeth College, will to-day break camp and begin a tour through the mountains. His first stop will be in Concord, where he will spend Sunday with Rev. B. Lacy Hoge. From there he will go to Winston, and after a few days there move through the mountains of North Carolina distributing tracts and religious papers and preaching as opportunity offers. Mr. Flanders does this work at his own expense, being a man of means. His new gospel wagon is a model of compactness and light weight. He will return to Charlotte in the fall.

PAVILION OPEN.

Mr. Bush, Who is in Charge, Serves Free Cream Tonight.

The pavilion at the park will be open for the season tonight. The parlor is fitted up in attractive style. There is an excellent piano, and other comforts and pleasurs of home. The tables are neatly kept, and supplied with fans. Mr. E. J. Bush has charge of the pavilion this season. Tonight he will serve ice cream free; there will be music by the Davis orchestra and dancing. The following programme will be rendered:

March—Stars and Stripes Forever—Sousa.
Overture—Silver Bells—Clappe.
March—Love is King—Vnnes.
Flute Solo—Serenade—Bach—by Prof. Harry Asbury.
March—Handicap—Zelna.
Overture—Plantation Songs—Roxy.
March—New York Sun—Zelna.

Two Handsome Monuments.

Mr. I. W. Durham will soon have two handsome new monuments to place in Elmwood. One will be placed at the grave of Major C. Dowd; the other, Mrs. Rufus Jones. Major Dowd's monument is a sarcophagus in pink Tennessee marble. It is a copy of a Paris design. It is handsome and unique. Mrs. Jones' Jones' monument is of Italian marble. The base is surmounted by a beautiful figure, representing "Memory." The figure, Mr. Durham says, is the finest he has ever gotten from Italy.

Lutheran.

Rev. Dr. R. C. Holland, of St. Mary's Lutheran church, returned this morning from Charleston, S. C., where he had been to deliver an address at the closing exercises of the Lutheran Theological Seminary of the South. There were three graduates at the Seminary this year. The class next year will number 10. There were 14 students at the Seminary this year.