

OFFICER THOUGHT HE WAS A BURGLAR

Policeman Foolishly Fires in the Dark and Bullet Brings Down the Innocent Bystander

LIGHTS AND SHADOWS REFLECTED BY THE WIRES

Fires Cremate Three Persons While a Merchant is Fatally Overcome By Smoke From his Burning Stove

Plymouth, N. H., Feb. 5.—Station Agent George H. Colby was accidentally shot at midnight by police officer Mills.

Aged Woman Fatally Burned. Belton, N. Y., Feb. 5.—Mrs. John H. Wait, aged 75, was burned to death early this morning in a fire which destroyed her home.

Two Women Cremated. Hudson, Mass., Feb. 5.—The parish hall of St. Michaels Society was burned last night.

Overcome By Smoke. Egg Harbor, N. J., Feb. 5.—Overcome by thick smoke in a fire which this morning entirely destroyed his grocery store, D. G. Kock, aged 62 years, was unable to drag himself out of burning building and to an out-building where he fell upon a pile of straw and expired in a few minutes.

Touched Wire; Dropped Dead. Clyde, N. Y., Feb. 5.—Albert Tuck, the oldest son of Charles Tuck, 18 years old, was instantly killed last night by an electric wire.

Union Paper-hangers Win. New Brunswick, N. J., Feb. 5.—The refusal of paper-hangers throughout the United States to handle paper manufactured by Janeway and Carpenter, who for seven months have declined to recognize the union, has resulted in the firm agreeing to sign the union wages scale.

Earl Euston a Bankrupt. London, Feb. 5.—In the bankruptcy court this morning Earl Euston, son of the Duke of Grafton, was declared a bankrupt with liabilities of \$4,260 pounds, while his assets are but 174 pounds.

Wearied Public Glad To Know It. Waterbury, Feb. 5.—The strike situation, so far as the preservation of order is concerned, is most encouraging this morning of any day since the militia was stationed here.

NO END YET TO THE CLYDE STRIKE

Engineers Claim To Be Able to Take a Step That Would Be Unique in History of Unionism

Glasgow, Feb. 5.—No ground for a settlement of the dispute over wages in the Clyde shipbuilding yards is in sight.

The Amalgamated Society of Engineers, with 200 branches over the world, claims to have enough money to support the men who would strike for an indefinite time or pay their passage either to New York or Capetown, where work is plentiful.

SOUTHERN SUBSIDY. Railroad Will Get Bonus From Uncle Sam For Fast Mail.

Washington, Feb. 5.—The House by a vote of a hundred to 121 today refused to strike out the provision for the fast mail train subsidy of \$142,000 to the Southern railway between Washington and New Orleans out of postoffice appropriation.

BEAT HIS WIFE. And Nathan Springs Now Is Breaking Rock On The Gang.

In the city court this morning Nathan Springs was charged with beating his wife and creating a disturbance at his home.

There's Hope For Balfour. London, Feb. 5.—Premier Balfour, who has been ill and confined to his home a fortnight past, has so far recovered today as to be able to play golf at the East Bourne links.

Division Agency OF THE SOUTHERN Rumor Current Today That This Great System Intends Establishing Such An Office in Charlotte

A rumor is current today that the Southern railway intends to establish a division passenger agency in Charlotte.

While many may be ignorant of the fact but it is nevertheless true, the Charlotte passenger office of the Southern now transacts more business than any of the division agencies that are now maintained.

Some time ago, Atlanta secured the general freight offices of this company and it was stated at the time that it would only be a question of a short while before the passenger department would go to the Gate City also.

CHINESE EMPRESS FAILING. It Is Reported in London That Her Strength Is Declining.

London, Feb. 5.—The Odessa correspondent of the Telegraph says a dispatch from Peking, received by Prince Achomsky, states that the Empress-widow has lately shown signs of steadily declining health.

TO BRING BODIES TO THE STATES. Washington, Feb. 5.—The collier ship, which is now at San Juan, will carry to New York the bodies of nine men who were killed in the explosion on the battleship Massachusetts last month.

Long's Condition Unchanged. Boston, Feb. 5.—The 11:30 bulletin says Mr. Long continues about the same and had a fairly comfortable night.

SENATE AMENDS THE CADAVER BILL

Medical Colleges to Get Only the Unclaimed Bodies from the Prisons and Hospitals

IT WAS RATHER A DULL DAY IN THE LEGISLATURE

Many Matters of Importance Came Before the House and Senate Yesterday and These Are Detailed

Raleigh, N. C., Feb. 5.—The Senate today amended the bill giving bodies to medical colleges for dissection, so as to apply only to unclaimed bodies from jails, prisons and hospitals.

Senator Durham, chairman of the Manufactures Committee, offered a bill which prohibits the employment of children under twelve during school term.

Other bills introduced were: Price for compulsory education in Rockingham county; Goode, exempting factories from franchise tax.

THE SENATE, FEB. 4.

President pro tem Brown called the Senate to order at 11 o'clock and Rev. C. J. D. Parker, of Durham, offered prayer.

Hoey: To provide for holding municipal elections. Warren: To provide for the appointment of a special coroner in certain cases.

Senate bill: To establish graded schools at Westfield in Surry county.

Senate bill: To change township lines in Surry. Mr. Marshall said this was a purely local matter affecting only the people of one township.

Mr. Blow said that the same thing could be obtained by the county commissioners. Mr. Pharr, Mr. Glenn and Mr. Hoey thought it should be passed.

FORMER SENATOR DAWSON SUCUMBDS

Retired From Congress in '93 After a Continuous Service of Thirty - Six Years

Pittsfield, Mass., Feb. 5.—Former Senator Henry L. Dawson died at his home here at 5:15 this morning.

They Have Another Candidate. Rome, Feb. 5.—The Propaganda and Vatican have received protests on the part of clergy and laity in the diocese of Los Angeles, Cal., against the possible appointment of Bishop Conaty.

He retired from the United States Senate March fourth, 1893, after continuous service in congress of thirty-six years.

DR. CURRY VERY ILL. Former Ambassador To Spain in Critical Condition At Asheville.

Asheville, N. C., Feb. 5.—Dr. J. L. Curry, ambassador to Spain under President Cleveland and one of the most prominent educators in the South, is critically ill in this city at the home of Colonel Connelly.

CHANGES IN TEN YEARS. Charlotte's Business Firms Change Very Rapidly.

A lady of our city in looking over some old receipts bills a day or so ago was reminded of the great changes that have taken place in the business circles of Charlotte during the past ten years.

CLINTON CHAPEL CASE UP AGAIN

Rehearing on Appeal of Colored Church Scandal Will Take Place in Superior Court Next Week

The much talked-of case of the State vs. the board of stewards of Clinton Chapel, the well known colored church is set for hearing at the next term of the Superior Court that meets next Monday.

Most of Charlotte people will recall this now noted case. Those mentioned in the bill of indictment which charges embezzlement of the church's funds are: Rev. A. J. Warner, William Jackson, Reed Martin, Oscar Crane, Cicero Smith, Will Moore and Sam Walker.

For some time the church property, which is located on South Main street, was closed by order of the Court. Two rival factions in the church sought to take charge and there was a law suit.

There is a large number of lawyers interested in the case, both for the prosecution and defense.

STILL IN UNION JAIL. Safe Crackers Will Hardly Be Brought To Charlotte.

The safe crackers are still in Union county jail. It now looks as if Charlotte will not have an opportunity to deal out justice to these lawbreakers.

It is stated today that the State Bankers Association will take a hand in the prosecution of the four men confined in Union county jail.

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FOXY KAISER IS GREAT SCHEMER

According to Diplomatic Gossip, He is Preparing to Surrender Gracefully On the Disputed Points

HOPES THUS TO CAUSE A REVULSION OF FEELING

Status of the Case if Carried to The Hague is Question That is Interesting Folks At the Capital

London, Feb. 5.—According to gossip in diplomatic circles, the indications are possible for a change in the Germany policy toward Venezuela.

Legal Status Before The Hague.

Washington, Feb. 5.—A question which now receives the consideration of Washington diplomats is whether, in the event of reference of the Venezuelan question, either in its entirety or with respect to specific particulars of disagreement, to the Hague tribunal, the interested nations other than those composing the Anglo-German alliance may intervene in behalf of their own claims.

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Bowen Makes New Offer.

Washington, Feb. 5.—It is learned today that Minister Bowen, in addition to extending the time during which he would grant to allies preferential treatment in the collection of their claims against Venezuela, has agreed, as evidence of good faith, to pay in cash to each of the three powers immediately upon lifting the blockade a specified sum, reported to be in the neighborhood of twenty-five thousand dollars.

THIS MAN MERITS PUBLIC GRATITUDE

Introduces a bill Which Forbids "Tipping" of Pullman Porters and Making it Unlawful to take "Tips"

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REWARD FOR UTLEY. Eight Hundred Dollars Is the Price Set Upon the Murders Head.

Raleigh, N. C., Feb. 5.—The Governor offers four hundred dollars reward for Utley of Fayetteville. This makes \$800 as the total price upon the murderer's head.

ANNUAL MEETING HERE. Society of Cincinnati To Meet Here Monday, February 23.

The annual meeting of the North Carolina Society of the Cincinnati will convene in this city Monday the 23rd of this month.

Raleigh, N. C., Feb. 5, 1903. The Annual Meeting of the North Carolina Society of the Cincinnati will be held at 11 o'clock a. m. in the Court House of Mecklenburg County at Charlotte, N. C., on Monday, the 23rd of February, 1903.

Famine Threats Chicago.

Chicago, Feb. 5.—With coal famine threatening on one hand and a shortage of flour on the other, with increasing difficulty in securing general merchandise shipments from the East.

King Edward Recovering.

London, Feb. 5.—King Edward, it is announced this morning, has nearly recovered and may drive out this afternoon.

AN IMPORTANT BUSINESS CHANGE

Mr. J. L. Tapp Retires From Tapp-Long Co. Firm and the Business is Reorganized on a New Basis

A business change of unusual interest took place last night.

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Alleged Deserter Captured.

Troy, N. Y., Feb. 5.—Alfred Belony, an alleged deserter from the U. S. Army, was captured at Dushatch Ferry by the Cobles N. Y. police.

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Three jurymen were secured yesterday. Two deputy sheriffs were compelled to half carry and half drag Young into the court.

Textile Excelsior's New Editor.

Mr. George T. Madden, of New York City, succeeds Mr. W. I. Underwood, as editor of the Textile Excelsior. Mr. Madden has arrived and is now engaged in his new work.

THE MAN who thinks to win out by dispensing "hot air" either in his advertisement or his place of business is going to find out that the public will not stand for it.

REP. J. M. MOODY DIES SUDDENLY

Congressman From Ninth North Carolina District Passes Away at His Western Home

DEATH THUS ENDS A CONGRESSIONAL CONTEST

Defeated Crawford For Seat He Held Up to Time of His Death and Was Contesting Gudge's Election

Asheville, Feb. 5.—Congressman J. M. Moody died at his home at Waynesville this afternoon at 1:45 o'clock. He had been ill for several weeks in Washington before he returned to Waynesville last Saturday morning.

It was thought that damp, cold weather in the Capitol was injurious to him, and that when he returned to the high, dry and healthy atmosphere to which he was accustomed that he would recuperate.

Immediate cause of his death was congestion of the lungs. About 3 o'clock this morning he lost consciousness and did not regain it up to the time of his death.

J. M. Moody was born in Haywood county, near Waynesville, in 1859. He studied law, was admitted to the bar and his first political service was in the state senate, where he represented the thirty-eighth district.

Mr. Moody volunteered with the First N. C. Regiment at the outbreak of the Spanish-American trouble, was commissioned major and went to Cuba with the regiment.

Mr. Moody's death leaves Mr. Gudge in peaceful possession of his seat.

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