

WAS CETTE M'DONALD MURDERED? MILLER AND HAMPTON HELD FOR CRIME

Coroner's Jury Examines a Few More Witnesses this Morning and then Returns a Verdict in the Case of the Woman Who Met a Violent Death Saturday last

Verdict Says that Cette McDonald Came to Her Death at the Hands of Andy Miller and John Hampton--Body Placed on the Track to Conceal Crime

Andy Miller and John Hampton, in jail for killing Cette McDonald on the night of August 1st, will be held for murder. The coroner's jury completed its work today and the evidence was adjudged sufficient to hold the men implicated.

The verdict is that Cette McDonald came to her death at the hands of John Hampton and Andy Miller, and that after killing their victim they placed the body on the railroad track to conceal the crime.

The following named gentlemen composed the jury: I. H. McGinn, J. L. Hipp, I. W. Auten, T. M. Carr, E. W. Rigler and T. J. Gribble. The investigation was begun Tuesday, but the coroner was called to investigate another case Wednesday and for that reason and also in order to gain additional evidence, the sitting of the coroner's court was continued until today.

J. A. Dunn was the first witness examined this morning. He said that he was in his room over Duke's store, at the window that he heard the Red Egypt matter mentioned and saw Andy Miller and John Hampton standing in front of the stairway. Both were drinking. Heard Cette McDonald say to them that she had told the truth in the Red Egypt matter, that both of them would have been hung. They parted then and I saw them last in rear of Duls' store, about 9 o'clock.

Mr. L. Alexander, a railroad employe said: "We were going down the transfer track with a line engine, when the engineer stopped the engine and calling to me, asked what it was that had just passed over. I looked back and saw a woman lying in the middle of the track. We all got down and went back. The woman was dead. I saw a negro man and woman walking down the track not more than 15 or 20 minutes before we found the dead body."

Charley Kirkpatrick, a hack driver, said that Hampton and Miller wanted him to take them home Saturday night but they said they only had 30 cents and he would not cut the prices and left them. Saw John Hampton Sunday morning about 3:30 o'clock on Jordan's alley. He went to Sis McDonald's house and she or Janie one, opened the door. He saw Andy Miller Monday morning going to work. Heard Bob Phifer say, speaking of Miller, 'there is a man I have no use for and have not had since that man was killed on 7th street.'

HOTTEST DAY IN SOUTH DAKOTA

Hot Day is Followed by Peculiar Atmospheric Condition that Stifes Cattle and Kittens, and Makes Humans Uncomfortable

Sioux City, Aug. 6.—One of the most remarkable atmospheric disturbances is reported from Oaoma, S. D., following the hottest day ever experienced there came an atmospheric condition, lasting only a few minutes, but fatal to live stock and greatly distressing to human beings. During the day nearly every kitten in the vicinity of Oaoma died, apparently from the effects of some gaseous matter in the air. A bunch of eighteen head cattle in one drove were seen coming down from the flats, when six fell dead.

BANK EXAMINER CAUGHT CASHIER

Bank Examiner Ellington Detected Shortage which will Amount to \$100,000--Dr. Ivey's Opera Glasses are Recovered

(Special to The News.) Raleigh, N. C., Aug. 7.—The Superintendent of Public Instruction announces that the State Board of Education has approved the loans from the library fund to 95 districts in 31 counties to aid in the building and equipping of school houses. The loans amount to \$46,286, so that with the local money used \$104,315 will be expended. Of the districts receiving loans 31 have no school houses, now, and 34 have buildings worth less than \$50.

Deputy Sheriff George Amsworth, of Norfolk, is here to get Zack Thaxton, who completes his sentence in the State prison tomorrow for larceny in Edgecombe county. He will carry him to Norfolk to answer the charge of the murder of Gertrude Hill, colored, a year ago. It seems to have been a case of cold blooded murder. Thaxton had been arrested for breaking in Southern Railway cars at Pinners Point. The woman pawned her personal property, all she had, to procure him legal defense at his trial and the jury cleared him. He left, returned about a month later and killed her because of jealousy.

The Governor received notice today that Boon Potter, wanted in Watauga county for the murder of Deputy Sheriff Amos Howell, and another old man, has been arrested in Wyoming. He was passing there as Ike Donnelly. On his person was found a pocket book with D. B. Potter stamped on it. Inside was a clipping of Gov. Aycock's proclamation offering \$200 reward for him.

The Greensboro Supply Company was chartered today with \$25,000 capital to deal in engines, machine-shop supplies, etc. J. Guthrie is among the stock holders. The Pamlico and Neuse River Lumber Co. of Newbern, was chartered with \$50,000, subscribed principally by Ohio capitalists, \$125,000 authorized. O. H. Guion is a local stock holder.

Lehigh, N. C., Aug. 7.—Judge T. B. Womack, who went to New Bern as counsel for the North Carolina Corporation Commission, to direct the transfer of the books and assets of the Farmers and Merchants Bank to Receiver Thomas Daniels, returned this morning and reports that the defalcation of the absconding cashier T. W. Deweese will amount to fully \$100,000 instead of \$75,000 as at first estimated. He says excitement among depositors has about died out and all are grimly awaiting the result of the investigation. Depositors, he says, will certainly lose a good per cent. of their deposits.

THEIR LIVES SNUFFED OUT.

Two Young Girls Come to Untimely End By Inhaling Gas. (By Publishers Press.)

Philadelphia, Aug. 7.—There was a sad case of asphyxiation early this morning at 1781 North Third street. The victims are: FANNY DICK, aged 18 years. MARY DICK, aged 13 years, daughters of Rev. Calvin J. Dick.

The girls were suffocated by gas which escaped from fixtures on the pipe that had been stopped by putty. They died at St. Mary's Hospital. The Rev. Dick's health broke down recently and in the hope of recuperating he accepted the pastorate of the United Evangelical church, at Wellersville, York county, Pa. His family was to join him there.

SECOND ATTEMPT AT SUICIDE.

Mrs. Jas. H. Smith, Inmate of Virginia Asylum, Hangs Herself With a Sheet. (By Publishers Press.)

Staunton, Va., Aug. 6.—Mrs. Jas. H. Smith, who some days ago threw herself in front of a street car in the attempt to commit suicide and was afterwards committed to the Western State Asylum, yesterday accomplished her purpose at that institution by hanging herself. While the nurse left the room a few moments she tore up a sheet, tied a string around her neck and swung her body from the bars over the door. She was the wife of James H. Smith of the Miller Manual School, Albemarle county, Va.

Lord Salisbury Turns Chemist.

(By Publishers Press.) Manchester, Aug. 6.—A Manchester dispatch says that Lord Salisbury, former Premier of England has in course of preparation an important contribution to the literature of Chemical electrical science.

NETWORK OF EVIDENCE.

Gathered Against Andy Miller and Arthur Caldwell.

Tomorrow morning at 9 o'clock in the criminal court room, Andy Miller, colored, charged by the coroner's jury with being implicated in the murder of Cette McDonald, will be given a preliminary hearing on the charge of killing Robert McKane and throwing his body in the creek, near the Seventh street bridge.

Arthur Caldwell, who is also in jail will be given a hearing at the same time on the charge of being implicated in the death of Robert McKane.

Yesterday afternoon The News gave an account of the finding of damaging evidence against these two men. Robert McKane was killed the 26th of May, 1901. It is said by witnesses that he was killed at a house in Red Egypt and that his body was taken to the creek by Andy Miller and Arthur Caldwell. Rufus Wallace, a negro in jail, for a minor offense, says he saw the above negroes the night they took the body to the creek and also saw Andy Miller when he struck the fatal lick with an iron instrument.

Today John Fewell, a brother-in-law of Rufus Wallace, testified that Andy Miller told him in Norman's bar that he had had no peace of mind since he killed a man. Fewell also stated that his mother-in-law, Elvira Wallace, knows something of the murderous deed.

Slowly, but surely, it seems that the evidence in this bloody murder case is coming to light. Constables Gribble and Rigler are working day and night in order to unearth the mystery of the death of Robert McKane and today it looks as if they have won out.

At tomorrow's preliminary hearing some sensational evidence may be expected.

STERNBURG IS RECEIVED.

German Ambassador Presents His Credentials to the President. (By Publishers Press.)

Oyster Bay, Aug. 6.—Baron Speck Von Sternburg arrived on the 10:04 train, accompanied by Assistant Secretary of State Loomis, Col. Simons of the U. S. War Department and by the charge d' affaires of the German Embassy and a valet loaded down with unwieldy luggage.

After the ambassadorial party changed clothes at a private house, a short way from the village, they were taken to Sagamore Hill. President Roosevelt received German representative in the big parlor of his home. Secretary Barnes, was the only one present outside of the official participants to the ceremony.

Secretary Loomis introduced the Ambassador, who then, in a brief speech presented his credentials as ambassador extraordinary and plenipotentiary from Germany to the United States. The President, replying, in part said: "I have much pleasure in receiving from your hands the letter whereby His Majesty, the German Emperor, accredits you as his ambassador extraordinary and plenipotentiary in the United States of America in place of His Majesty's former ambassador, Mr. Von Holleben, whose letter of recall you now deliver to me."

OUR CONFEDERATE ORGANIZATION.

When asked to read a paper before this gathering, I inquired what my subject should be and was told that it would be left to my own choosing. The story of the Confederacy is one of never-ceasing interest, and in the telling and re-telling there is something always new, ever fascinating to the Southern heart. But the history of that great conflict has been given by many an abler pen than mine, and to deal with a subject so immense is not my prerogative today, when I see before me scores of brave men who followed for four long, weary years the varying fortunes of war, whose several experiences, if related, would far surpass in interest any studied descriptions I might give.

I have chosen as my theme "Our Confederate Organizations"—a subject which should be of deep interest to us all, and which, should, therefore, be thoroughly understood.

Without quoting fully from the Constitution and By-laws of the United Confederate Veterans, United Daughters of the Confederacy, United Sons of Confederate Veterans and Children of the Confederacy, I will state that the objects of these various organizations are strictly, "Historical, Educational, Memorial, Benevolent and Social."

The South has a wonderful history, and the South must see to it that that history be preserved, correct and accurate. No grander story of a nation's struggle can be found in the annals of any country than that of the Confederate government to maintain her Constitutional rights inviolate, and to protect her homes from desecration. We must go deep into the causes which led up to the war and show that it was not for slavery alone the fierce contest was waged, or else why did perhaps 80 per cent. of the Confederate army battle so valiantly when they owned not a slave? And to those who contend that by holding slaves the South violated the Constitution, we would point to Gen. Washington, president of the convention which framed the constitution, who owned at that time about 300 slaves, more than were owned by any other private citizen; to Jefferson, Madison, Monroe, Polk, Gen. Taylor, Gen. Jackson and numbers of others who doubtless interpreted the constitution rightly.

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GRADED SCHOOL FOR DILWORTH

The News is Able to Announce Practically the Certain Construction of a Fine Graded School Building for this Suburb

A committee has the matter in charge of securing a graded school of high standard for Dilworth. The committee is now securing petitions for an election on the question of an additional tax and there seems to be absolutely no opposition among the property holders. All are in favor of the school. The tax proposed will only be five cents on the hundred dollars and fifteen cents on the poll and this will be ample for running a first-class graded school. The committee has met with much encouragement in other ways that will be published later. The News wishes to commend the enterprise most heartily. The signatures to the petitions for an election are already being circulated and probably enough names will be secured to ensure the favorable result of the election.

ANNUAL REUNION AT MT. ZION CHURCH HELD YESTERDAY

Senator Overman and Two Daughters of the Confederacy Address the Gathering--About 2000 were Present

At Night Gen. J. S. Carr Delivered an Address on "Chivalry of the Confederate Soldier"--The Reunion was a Most Successful One and Enjoyed

Cornelius, N. C., Aug. 7.—On yesterday one of the largest and most delightful reunions in the history of the county was held here at Zion church. There were present at least two thousand people, every section of the county being represented. There were also in attendance Veterans from several adjoining counties and fifty members of Mecklenburg Camp from Overton, their gray uniforms being conspicuous in the crowd.

The reunion at Zion is held each year and is always a most glorious one, but this one was the most successful and best attended of them all. The committee in charge was composed of three of the representative citizens of this community, Messrs. J. W. Barnett, F. C. Sherrill and J. A. White, and to their untiring efforts was due the success of the occasion.

The music was furnished by the Steele Creek band, and a splendid dinner had been prepared by the ladies of the community, many of the housekeepers taking their dinner in trunks, baskets not being large enough to hold the bountiful supplies.

The exercises of the morning opened with prayer by Rev. J. R. Howerton, D. D., of Charlotte. The address was made by the Hon. Lee S. Overman, of Salisbury. His speech on North Carolina and the Confederacy was an eloquent one and was received with enthusiasm by the immense audience.

After his speech, Miss Julia Alexander, of Charlotte, sponsor for Mecklenburg Camp, read the following paper: OUR CONFEDERATE ORGANIZATION.

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supported by the South, soon cease to float among the nations. Looking back over the intervening years, we see the men in gray marching forth in the early days of the sixties with step alert and banners floating; with grim determination to uphold the principles of right and honor; to die, if need be, for their country. We see them as the light of victory urged them on, or as the gloom of defeat steeled them to greater action—as they followed Johnston, Beauregard, Ashby, Stuart, Hill, Pickett, Forrest, Jackson, Lee and other valiant leaders. We glory in telling of their unnumbered deeds of valor; of the noble self-sacrifice of the women at home; of the humble devotion of the men in gray—more forcibly than words the unwritten side of the slavery-system. And then, we see those closing days of the war, as everything grew dark for the South and the inevitable day at Appomattox drew near—and, laying aside the weapons of war, our wearied men returned to homes saddened and impoverished by the ravages of war, to pass through the terrible Reconstruction period, requiring oft-times unflinching fortitude.

It is the true history of these trying years that our Confederate organizations seek to preserve; to collect all war-records and authentic data; to infuse into the minds of old and young a love and thirst for their country's history; and to correct all untrue statements regarding the South. The older people can tell and write their war-time experiences; the younger people can study the history of that period and from among their number may arise some great historian who will write a history which will care for all time, giving to the world the truth unperverted by partiality.

In educational work these organizations are striving that the young people of the South may study the true history of the war between the States; to eliminate the school books that are incorrect, and to place in their stead only such books as present accurate statistics and accounts. Among other books, two written by Dr. J. L. M. Curry, "The Southern States of the American Union" and "The Civil History of the Confederate States," are highly recommended to the student.

The Daughters of the Confederacy are doing a noble work in the educational line in every Southern State. Many chapters are educating the children of Confederate Veterans, who for lack of means would grow up uneducated. They offer prizes for essays on subjects pertaining to the war and in every way seek to stimulate a desire for the knowledge of true history. In Georgia, the Daughters of the Confederacy have built as a memorial to Winnie Davis, the Daughter of the Confederacy, an annex to the State Normal College, thus providing means for educating as teachers the daughters of Confederate Veterans. In this work the Children of the Confederacy have given much assistance.

We are probably more familiar with the memorial work of these organizations, than any other. The beautiful custom of observing every year a day, known as Memorial Day, was, perhaps, the beginning, and what respect more beautiful and more touching could be paid the dead than that loving ceremonies be held about their graves and the loveliest of spring flowers be heaped upon them by tender hands. The birthdays and anniversaries of death of our most noted Confederate soldiers are regularly observed and their lives studied. All over our broad and ancient continent, the loving ceremonies are held to the memory of these heroes. Two of these monuments, in New Orleans, are especially handsome, the lofty shaft surmounted by the statue of Lee, and the magnificent equestrian statue of Albert Sydney Johnston.

One of the most impressive ceremonies of the reunion in May was when thousands of children dressed in the Confederate colors, red and white, gathered about the monument to Lee and with appropriate ceremonies, (Continued on Second Page.)

"THERE IS STILL ONE LACKING"

Pope Pius X Comments on Failure of Italian Government to Send Congratulations--Hopes to be Friends--Will Keep a Firm Grip on the Reins

(By Publishers Press.) Rome, Aug. 6.—The Pope spent the morning quietly at the Vatican. While looking through thousands of dispatches of congratulation that had been received since he was proclaimed Pope, he exclaimed "There is still one lacking," evidently alluding to the King of Italy, and added "Still we were good friends when I was in Venice." The Pope is credited with the intention to show a great moderation towards the vatican government, but in the meanwhile will prepare the clerical electoral forces, as he did in his venetian reign, especially during nine years he was patriarch of Venice, so as to be able, whenever necessary, to influence any situation that may arise through the ballots.

WALLACE BROS' CIRCUS IS WRECKED; 22 MEET DEATH IN THE CRASH

Two Sections of Train Transporting Circus Come Together Near Detroit Because the Air-Brakes Would Not Work at the Critical Moment

Ten Among the Dead are Circus Employes and the Others Trainmen - A Number Injured and Some of these will Die--Surgeons Rushed to Scene of Wreck

(By Publishers Press.) Detroit, Aug. 7.—Wallace Bros. circus train, running in two sections on the Grand Trunk railroad, were wrecked a half mile east of Durand, Mich., at 2 o'clock this morning and nineteen persons were killed and injured. The dead, in part, are: A. M. LARGE, Special Agent of the Grand Trunk; J. W. MCCARTHY, Trainmaster; JOHN PURCELL, L. LARSON, W. THOMAS, JOHN LEARY, ANDREW HAVILAND, FRANK THORPE, ROBERT WRIGHT, GEORGE SMITH, CHARLES SANDO, JOSEPH WILSON. The last ten were shown.

The two sections were running about a half hour apart. The first section was standing on the main track near Durand when the second train crashed into it.

COUNTY'S FARMER MEN MAKE MERRY

Mecklenburg Tillers of the Soil Assemble At Steele Creek for Annual Institute - Excellent Program is Carried Out

The Farmers' Institute for Mecklenburg county met yesterday at Central Steele Creek church. While the number of farmers present was not as large as might have been, it was a good representative audience of the county's best class of farmers.

Steele Creek is one of the best sections of the county and its citizens are among our best people, progressive and prosperous, proud of their homes and their farms, and their community. With this natural and commendable pride one is not surprised to find good homes, good churches, good schools, good farms, good horses and cattle. Nor is he surprised that the good people of this favored section continue to reach out after better things and strive for progress along all lines.

It was through their desire for knowledge and advancement that the farmers' institute first came to be held at Steele Creek.

A great many efforts had been made to hold the institute in Charlotte, but always with indifferent success; finally last year, recognizing that the farmers of the Steele Creek section would appreciate the institute, it was decided to hold it there and the first one met with great success.

The second one, held yesterday, showed that no mistake has been made in the selection of a place for holding the institute, for it was a splendid success, and Prof. Massey and Dr. Butler expressed themselves as in every way pleased with it. In this connection, it should be stated that the thanks of Mecklenburg farmers are due Messrs. C. C. Moore and John McDowell for their persistent labors for the success of the Mecklenburg institute. And while yesterday's meeting was a success in every way, it may be said that those farmers who did not take advantage of it are the losers thereby, and that with the cooperation of all the farmers of the county, these meetings may be made more interesting, and certainly more useful.

The following program, with slight variations, was carried out yesterday: SUBJECTS FOR DISCUSSION. Soil Improvement, by W. F. Massey. Preparation and Fertilizers for Wheat on Red Clay Land, by John McDowell.

Varieties of Corn and Cotton and their Improvement by Selection, by C. B. Williams. Cattle Raising, by Tait Butler, State Veterinarian. Growing Food Crops for Cattle, by C. C. Moore. Home Garden and Orchard, by W. F. Massey.

Fertilizers for Corn, Cotton and Grain, by C. B. Williams. Common Diseases of Farm Animals, by Tait Butler, State Veterinarian. However, all these subjects were discussed informally and there were no set speeches.

The speakers desired to be, and were, interrupted with questions, and a number of the farmers present took a part in the discussions. The machinery of the institute was put in operation by the election of Mr. W. A. Grier, of Steele Creek, chairman, and Mr. J. N. Bigham, of Lodo, secretary. Mr. John McDowell asked for the blessings of the Great Husbandman on the meeting and it was then declared ready for business.

After talks by Dr. Butler and Mr. Moore a recess was taken for dinner and everybody was invited to partake of the sumptuous feast, which was spread, picnic style, on the grounds. At the close of the meeting Dr. Butler stated that he wanted the institute to suggest the names of a number of men in different parts of the county, that the station might get in touch with them in regard to crop conditions and future county institutes. The following names were given him: John McDowell, of Steele Creek; B. T. Price, of Beryhill; D. F. Grier, of Pineville; R. B. Abernathy, of Paw Creek; William Howie, of Huntersville; J. F. Caldwell, of Dewese; W. D. Alexander, of Mallard Creek; W. F. Stevens, of Morning Star; W. S. Pharr, of Sharon; W. E. Ardrey, of Providence; Frank Houston, of Long Creek; Brevard Knox, of Lemley's; Martin Davis, of Crab Orchard; W. F. Kuykendall, of Providence; C. C. Moore, and J. S. (Continued on Third Page.)

MORE TROUBLE IN BULGARIA

Albanian Troops will be Quartered on Macedonian and Bulgarian Villages-- Insurgents Hold Immense District - - Rushti Rushes Army to the Front

(By Publishers Press.) Vienna, Aug. 6.—A despatch to Die Zeit from Sofia says that secret orders have been issued from Constantinople for the Albanian troops to take up quarters in the principal villages of Macedonia and Bulgaria, and remain there until the rival Macedonian leaders ceased their feuds. Acting together the insurgents hold an immense district from Demir Hissar Villayet, near Salonika to Krushevo near Monastir. The despatch also says that Rushti Pasha is hurrying south with an army of 30,000 men to quell disturbances.