

NEGRO THOUGHT TO HAVE ASSAULTED WOMAN LAST NIGHT

Mrs Sallie Gibson of Columbia Suffering from Terrible Wound in Head, Thought to have been Inflicted by Negro, who is in Jail.

Woman Tells Story of Struggle with Man Early this Morning. Robbery May have been Motive as Woman is Very Wealthy and Prominent.

Special to The News. Columbia, S. C., Oct. 29.—Mrs. Sallie Gibson, a middle aged woman living on North Main street is suffering from a terrible wound in her head, and a negro, Jerry Whitmore, is in jail on the charge of assaulting her in her home.

Mrs. Gibson states that about 2 o'clock this morning, some persons entered her house through a window, and attacked her with a heavy instrument.

She fought the assailant with a piece of hinge and drove him off, but not until she had received a blow in her head from which she bled profusely.

Her screams brought help, and her aged mother was found crouching under the bed covered with blood from the daughter's wound.

A search revealed a cap where the struggle took place, and later the negro, Whitmore, was found in a livery stable next the house, which belongs to Mrs. Gibson.

The negro denies all knowledge of the affair, but the authorities claim to have evidence fixing the matter on him.

Mrs. Gibson is the niece and heir of old Squire Levi Metz, who died about a year ago, leaving hidden money.

Soon after the old man's death she deposited \$30,000 in cash in the National Loan and Exchange Bank, but later withdrew the deposit when it was attached by alleged creditors of Metz.

She has since been supposed to have large sums of cash in her house, and the robbery was probably the motive, if an attack was made on her. Metz was a long time, a very wealthy man, and lost heavily by the defalcation of a bank official here many years ago.

After that time, he would not trust a bank, and lived the life of a miser until his death, his niece, being his sole companion. She is not regarded as of sound mind.

A white man named Smith, who had a room in the house, has also been arrested in connection with the affair. Mrs. Gibson is not fatally hurt.

TROUBLE BLOWING OVER. No Growth of Anti-American Feeling Among Japanese. By Associated Press. Tokio, Oct. 29.—There are no signs whatever of the growth of ill feeling against Americans in general since the action of the Washington government in the San Francisco public school situation here.

NEGROES ATTEMPT LYNNING. Crap Game Led to Fatal Fight—One May Die. Special to The News. Wilmington, N. C., Oct. 29.—Ellis Benjamin was struck in the head with an iron instrument by his assailants Charles and Joe Murphy. Benjamin will die of his injuries.

POLICE KILLED. Killing Occurred at Row at Political Meeting Saturday Night. By Associated Press. Roanoke, Va., Oct. 29.—During a disturbance at political meeting at Cochrans' Wise county, Saturday night, Policeman George Hughes was shot and killed by Clark Edwards.

RUSH FOR MINERAL LANDS.

Wild Rush of Prospectors for Land Rich in Minerals.

By Associated Press. Throne, Nev., Oct. 29.—Early this morning thousands of men were prepared for a dash into Walker Lake, Indian reservation although a signal for the start was not to be given until noon.

Promptly at 12 o'clock a big charge of dynamite exploded and a race for the gold was on. Lanchons, rowboats, automobiles, horses and burros used to speed the prospectors to the place where the mineral deposits of the reservation were located.

The charges have freely made favoritism being shown in allowing certain prospectors to enter the forbidden ground and stake out claims before the signal given. Owing to the extent of the territory to be guarded a small force of Indian police found impossible to keep the thousands of prospectors in restraint.

Many evaded the guards and are out of reach.

UNKNOWN MAN KILLED.

Seaboard Air Line Detective Kills Unknown Machinist Saturday Night.

By Long Distance Telephone. Raleigh, N. C., Oct. 29.—Saturday night, in this city, an unknown machinist was killed by a Seaboard Air Line detective. The man was beating a ride on a freight train. He was of good appearance, very tall and heavy set. No clue has yet been learned as to his identity.

An inquest was held this afternoon to determine whether the gun shot or the blow on the victims head was the cause of his death. The shot was fired and the dead man was running and if the coroner's jury decide that the shot was the cause of his death, the matter will assume a more serious aspect. The blow with the pistol was inflicted when the fleeing man suddenly turned to make attack on the detective.

COMPANIES CHARTERED.

By Long Distance Telephone. Raleigh, N. C., Oct. 29.—The Roofing Company of Charlotte was today chartered by the Secretary of State at a \$5,000 capital, Harry S. Eldred, Alonzo Gibson and John Byrd being the chief incorporators.

The Broad Lumber Company of Rutherfordton was chartered at a \$250,000 capital subscribed and \$50,000 authorized by Ritchie of Richmond, Va., and W. L. Clement and others.

The Martin Real Estate Company of Williamston, was chartered at a \$50,000 capital by D. I. Biggs and others.

NEGRO SHOT OFFICE.

Crap Game Cause of Raid by Officers and Following Tragedy Lincyngh May Follow. By Associated Press. Memphis, Oct. 29.—A special from Ripley, Tenn., says that late last night four officers raided a crap game near Ollis Point. When the officers entered the building where the game was going on, George Foster, a negro, drew a revolver and shot and killed officer Henry Sasey, and probably fatally wounded officer John Bowers. The negro was captured. It is feared that an attempt may be made to lynch him.

TROUBLE EXPECTED WITH THE REDSKINS

Soldiers Approaching Band of Renegade Utes from Five Different Points. Indians Must Surrender or be Annihilated, Utes Sent for Help.

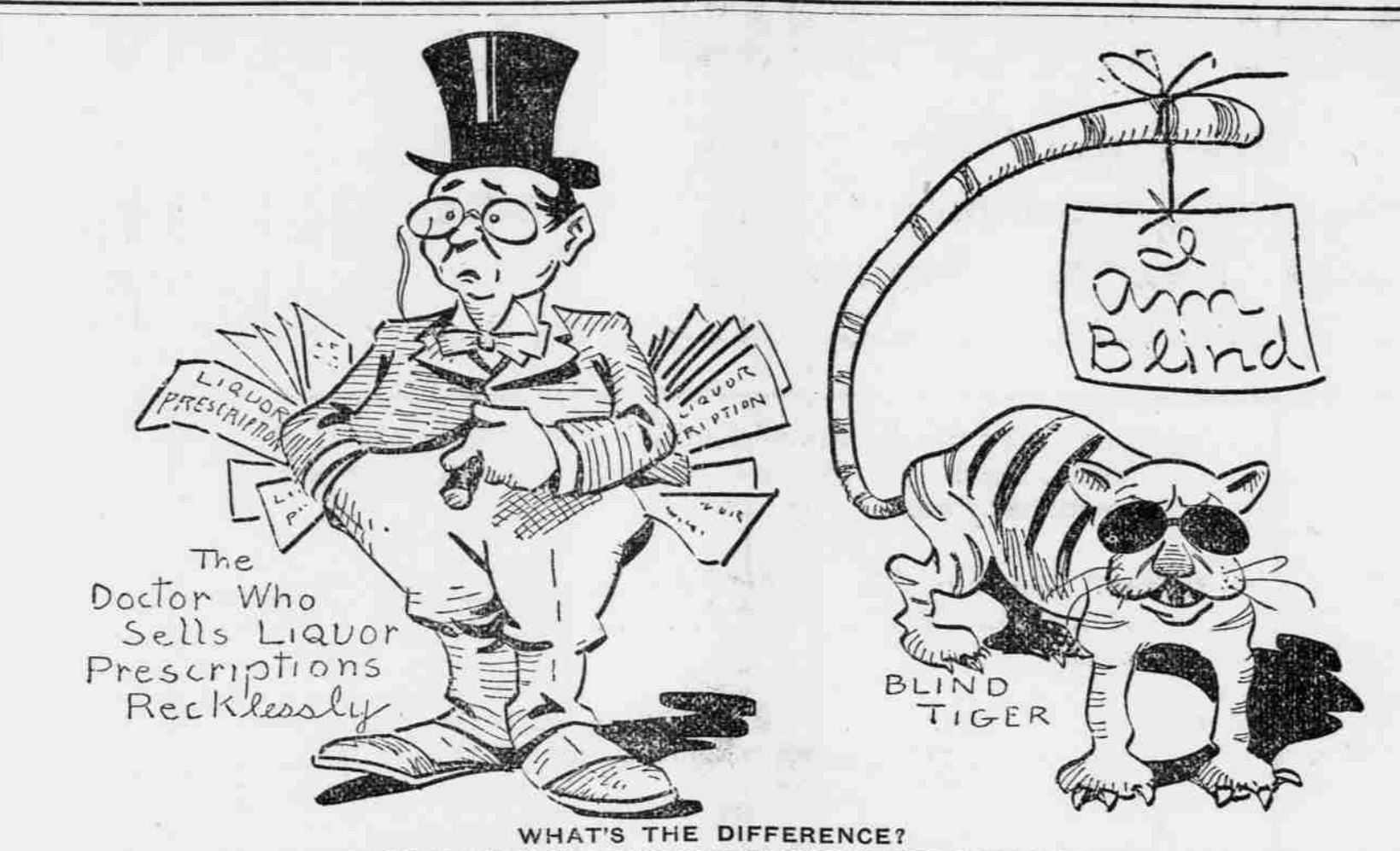
By Associated Press. Butte, Mont., Oct. 29.—Dispatch to The Miner from Sheridan, Wyo., says: Soldiers are now approaching a band of renegade Utes, from five different points and it is only a question of time until the redskins are either forced to surrender or annihilated. The band is making direct for the Cheyenne agency across the river.

It now looks as though the several bodies of the on-coming military will arrive in the vicinity of Ashland, 60 miles north of here, by Monday at least, in which event a battle will probably be fought in the valley on the Tongue river near that place.

Utes have already sent out couriers to Cheyenne for help in case they decide on resistance to the regulars.

MAN DROPPED DEAD. Savannah, Oct. 29.—Thomas F. Gleason, former commander Georgia department of G. A. R., dropped dead at his home here today. He was on the staff of several commanders-in-chief of G. A. R. He was a native of Albany, N. Y.

United States Steel. New York, Oct. 29.—Wall Street is considerably interested in tomorrow's meeting of the directors of the United States Steel Corporation, when it is expected the common stock will be placed upon a 4 per cent. basis. A statement of earnings for the quarter will be presented showing highly satisfactory net returns and enough orders on hand to insure activity at all the plants for many months to come.



Sixty-Six Persons Hurlled Instantly Into Eternity

In Wild Plunge of Cars into Thirty Feet of Water About 66 Persons Perished Instantly. A Score were Injured and Many May Die.

All Night Long Men Labored to Rescue Bodies from Mud and Debris Under Waters. Heart-Rending Scenes Grow Common.

Atlantic City, N. J., Oct. 29.—As the details of yesterday's terrible wreck on the electric line of the West Jersey and Seashore railroad developed during the night the disaster became more and more appalling.

The total number of persons whose lives were snuffed out almost instantly is probably 66, with nearly a score injured, several of whom, it is thought will die. Forty-eight bodies have already been brought to the surface.

There were 91 persons on the train. Twenty-five have been accounted for, which, with the bodies recovered will bring the total to 73. This leaves 18 persons not accounted for and who are supposed to have been drowned. It is possible that some of these may never be found as it is the belief of the divers that some of the bodies floated through the windows out into the thoroughfare and were carried by the swift current out into the Atlantic.

All bodies are being embalmed. The early morning train brought many persons from Philadelphia and other points, anxious to learn if a dear one had been swept to death by the awful disaster.

The wreck occurred at a draw-bridge which spans the thoroughfare, a small waterway about one mile outside this city, and was directly due to the draw falling to work properly.

The fishing schooner Sinbad had just passed through the drawbridge. As the schooner was lying in the draw, the electric line of the cars leads to a platform on the meadow in the direction of Pleasantville. Before the draw had swung into position, the three cars running at a high rate of speed dashed onto the trestle. With a lurch the forward car left the rail and dashed into the guard rail, the other two cars following. At the point where the cars jumped the track the top of the trestle is nearly twenty feet high.

The first two cars were instantly submerged but the third car of the train caught on an abutment and remained suspended. It was this car from which nearly all of the injured escaped and the news of the disaster was rapidly telegraphed to this city and in less than an hour the work of rescue had begun. It was not until several hours later that the divers were able to make any progress. Then the awful evidences of the disaster became more apparent. When the cars struck the bottom of the water they stood almost on end and the first man to descend reported that the victims were packed in the lower ends of submerged cars so tightly that it was difficult to remove them. Thousands quickly gathered to witness the scene.

A score of boats soon surrounded the spot where the cars disappeared, but were unable to render any aid and could only await the arrival of the divers. At the morgue the scene was pathetic. Persons who had friends on the ill-fated cars, crowded about the entrance and wore with difficulty restrained from forcing their way into the building.

Actor was Victim. Emanuel Bernard of New York, an actor and nephew of Sam Bernard, the comedian, was among those killed in the accident. Bernard's body was identified shortly after noon. He was on his way to this city to play the

TO AVOID OVERCHARGES.

Retail Merchants to Have Printed Copies of Express Rates to All Points.

A new movement which is being carried out not only in this city, but throughout the entire state of North Carolina, is that recently undertaken by the members of the Retail Merchants' Association.

This proposition refers to express rates all over the country. The merchants allege that they often pay too much expressage on merchandise to various points, and that in case they register a kick, they are told the rate is all right or something of that sort, and not having a schedule themselves, they are unable to go any further in the matter.

The Association is now engaged in having prepared a booklet which contains the correct express charges to all points and on all sizes of merchandise.

This book will be kept handy by the merchants and in making shipments by express they will know just what the charges are, and it will not be registered for them to have to pay overcharges on any merchandise that they may ship.

The movement is a good one, according to the claims of the many retail men in the state, and will be of great service to them in their business.

RURAL MAIL BOXES.

Four New Ones Placed About Charlotte Where Mail May Be Distributed.

A good piece of work, securing an important convenience to the people living several miles from the center of the city, and in the rural sections has just been completed by Postmaster Smith.

Mr. Smith has recommended to the department the placing of four new rural boxes, and the recommendation has been granted, and the boxes will be located as follows:

At Atherton Hill, route No. 3. At Hoskins Hill, route No. 5. At North Charlotte, North Bargain store, near waste mill. At McElwee's store, route No. 12.

These boxes will afford considerable conveniences to the sections surrounding a large population, and the mails collected from these boxes every afternoon will give a service in the suburbs almost as efficient in time saved as that in the city.

WILL OPEN DRUG STORE

Mr. Ed. Mullen Will Sever His Connection with The Atkinson Drug Co. Mr. Ed. G. Mullen for several months connected with the Atkinson Drug company, on the square, will sever his connection with that firm and will at no distant date open a store in this city. He has not definitely determined on his location though it is certain that he will open near the square.

Mr. Mullen was formerly connected with the Mayer Drug company and during his association with that firm earned some of the largest sums of the drug business. He is a graduate pharmacist and thoroughly capable of conducting a drug store.

TROUBLE PROBABLE IN RUSSIAN EMPIRE

Trouble Feared To-morrow, the Anniversary of Giving of Constitution to Russia. Officials Tackling Steps to Check Any Disturbance that May Arise.

By Associated Press. St. Petersburg, Oct. 29.—On the eve of the anniversary of the publication of the Imperial manifesto giving a constitution to Russia, Oct. 30, the prefect of police has caused the city to be placarded with proclamations recalling General Trepofov's famous phrase, "Do not spare the bullets," warning the public that in case of disorders, demonstrations or even the assembling of crowds, an armed force will be used with all the vigor permissible under the rules of "extraordinary security."

Prepare for Trouble. Warsaw, Oct. 29.—Fears that disturbances will occur tomorrow, the anniversary of the publication of the Imperial manifesto, giving a constitution to Russia, have led to the adoption of vigorous measures by the authorities.

Talk of Probable War. St. Petersburg, Russia, Oct. 29.—The Novoe Vremya, in a leading article on the Japanese American relations declares that "yesterday's friends have begun to quarrel" and asserts that an "anti-Japanese agitation has been started in the United States in response to the anti-Americanism in Japan, causing an affection which may easily be fanned into war."

DISPONDENT GIRL DRANK CARBOLIC ACID AND DIED

Hazel Cooper, Young Chorus Girl, Given to Melancholia Drank Fatal Poison in Apartments in her Hotel in the Hotel and Died.

Bits of her Husband's Love Letter were Scattered Around her When Found. She was With the "Earl and Girl" Company Playing Here.

By Associated Press. New York City, Oct. 29.—In a fit of despondency, with her husbands love letter torn to bits and scattered around her Hazel Cooper, a chorus girl in "The Earl and the Girl" company drank carbolic acid in her apartments in the Hotel Hamilton in West 45th street and died at the hospital early today.

The girl is said to have been the wife of Edward Walsh, a Jockey. She was about 20 years old.

According to the friends of the girl, she had been in a despondent mood for some time.

GEORGIA-CAROLINA FAIR.

Opened Today After Weeks of Preparation—Will Continue All Week. Augusta, Ga., Oct.—After weeks of preparation and the expenditure of many thousands of dollars in the improvement of grounds and buildings and the securing of attractions the great Georgia-Carolina Fair was opened to the public today under most promising auspices. The exhibition will continue all week. In addition to the customary agricultural and industrial displays and amusement features there will be speaking by men of wide prominence each day. The opening oration today was delivered by Hon. Joseph R. Lamar. Others who are to be heard during the week are Hon. Thomas E. Watson, Governor Terrell and Governor-elect Smith of Georgia, and Governor-elect and Governor-elect Amiel of South Carolina.

TAXES FOR COMING YEAR.

Schools of City Get Nearly Twenty-One Thousand From City Alone. While the General City Revenue From Taxes Will Be Nearly Eighty Thousand.

The city tax books have been completed and the totals to be collected for the present tax year have been made out by City Treasurer Ehrhardt. The totals show the sum of \$83,431 for general city taxes, and \$20,857 for the city school fund.

Mr. Ehrhardt has been at work for some time on these books and today presented the books to Mayor McNinch for his official endorsement.

This is an excellent showing and will give the city an extensive fund on which to operate during the coming year.

The calculation of the city taxes is based on the returns that are made by citizens of Charlotte to the tax assessors for the State and county taxes.

AMNESTY MAY BE GRANTED.

Demonstrations Expected To-morrow—Rumors and Strikes and Disorders. St. Petersburg, Russia, Oct. 29.—A feeling of uneasiness pervades all classes in anticipation of demonstrations expected to-morrow on the anniversary of the decree last year granting a measure of self-government to the people. Many rumors are current in regard to possible strikes or other disorders. It is reported that an imperial manifesto will be issued granting partial amnesty, abolishing the summary court-martial and granting to all political parties freedom to hold meetings. Meanwhile measures are being taken to prevent any disorderly demonstrations.

BIG PUBLIC SALE.

Railroad, Timber Land and Mill to be Sold at Public Auction. Norfolk, Va., Oct. 29.—As a result of suits pending in the Federal courts of North Carolina for the past five years, a decree of sale has been signed by which the Northampton and Hertford Railroad, together with a large and valuable tract of timber land and a new mill plant will be sold at public auction, at Jackson, N. C., November 12. The sale is expected to result in large extensions of the railroad. The properties are estimated at a worth of upwards of \$50,000.

Meeting Closed. The protracted meeting which has been in progress at Sardis Associate Reformed Presbyterian Church, came to a close yesterday with the administering of the Sacrament of the Lord's Supper. The pastor, Rev. R. G. Miller was ably assisted by Rev. Dr. W. W. Orr, of this city, who preached at every service.

Mr. R. L. Alexander has accepted a position in the shoe department of Foreman & Miller's.