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GENERAL MATTERS OF INTEREST.

Big Events Reduced to Little Paragraphs for the Readers of This Paper.

Theodore Roosevelt will probably be heard from in no uncertain terms within the next two weeks as to his political attitude. Friends say his first consideration will be the welfare of the republican party. While scores of statements have been made public by prominent republicans saying they believed the re-nomination of Taft will mean the complete route of the republican party, Roosevelt has received similar reports by the tens of hundreds. Upon a close investigation into these reports will rest Roosevelt's decision, according to some of his closest advisers.

William H. White, of Brooklyn, N. Y., says he has the best New Year's present in the world. While walking along Nankasset beach on Christmas day White found a large hunk of a foreign substance which he took home. He broke off a piece of the strange mass and brought it to a chemist for analysis. The chemist after a number of tests declared it contained all the properties of ambergris, the precious material used in cologne making. The standard rate for ambergris is \$80 an ounce, so the mass White found is worth \$19,200. "The matter was coughed up by a sick whale," the chemist said, "and because of its scarcity it is very valuable."

That Charles W. Morse, soon after commencing his term in prison at Atlanta, offered \$1,000 which was construed by Warden Moyer, of the federal prison at Atlanta as a bribe, was the statement made by the warden. Moyer said that one day he gave Morse some papers assigning some gas stock and that a few days later Morse said to him, "I made \$2,000 on that deal and want you to have half." Moyer said he told Morse never to offer him money again and advised Attorney General Wickersham of the incident.

President Taft has commuted the life sentence of Arthur Adams and Robert Sawyer, two British subjects, convicted of murder in 1906, their terms to expire immediately. The men were charged with the murder of the captain, mate and cook of a lumber schooner off the coast of North Carolina and were confined in the federal penitentiary at Atlanta.

A trans-Atlantic flight of 2,450 miles will be made by Harry N. Atwood next April in thirty hours if the present plans of the well known aviator go through. It was learned today that an order had been placed for an improved type of hydro-aeroplane designed by Atwood.

Norman E. Mack, has declared his intention of retiring from the chairmanship of the national democratic committee. He says that his time is so completely occupied with other affairs that he cannot continue as chairman especially during a presidential year.

William Hardesty, was killed, his body burned, and Charles Young and James Molloy, rivermen, seriously wounded by a mob of fifteen negroes on Centennial Island, twenty miles north of Memphis, Monday. The victims are fishermen. The island has been the scene of many similar tragedies in the last few years between whites and blacks.

As the result of the lynching Sunday of William Turner, a negro, for murdering George Cason, a white farmer, and criminal assault upon Mrs. Cason, warning has been issued to the negroes to keep off the streets of Muldrow, where the lynching occurred, as well as at Salisbury, the county seat. All is quiet at Muldrow, O.

STATE NEWS.

Items of Interest Gathered From the Atlantic to the Appalachians.

The marble and granite pedestal for the Dr. Chas. D. McIver statue that is to be placed at the right of the Fayetteville street entrance to capital square at Raleigh, was put in position Wednesday and the huge bronze statue was hauled in and deposited nearby ready to be mounted at once on the pedestal. It is of heroic size and is a duplicate that is to be set up at once in Greensboro cost \$7,000, the money being a tribute of love from the school children educators and admirers of Dr. McIver generally. The statue is to be kept veiled until some time in the spring when there will be appropriate unveiling ceremonies in both Raleigh and Greensboro.

Some days ago O. W. Simson of Statesville dropped a tool with which he had been working and the tool struck his foot cutting a small gash in his big toe. The wound was not considered of consequence and was given little attention. A few days later blood poison set in and Mr. Simson has since been in a critical condition. It was feared for a time that his limb would have to be amputated, but his condition is now improved.

The governor Thursday gave a pardon to Frank Beryman, a lad of 17 of Lee county, who was convicted at the November term of court for the crime of retailing and sentenced to two years. The governor's reasons for pardon is as follows: "Prisoner, not exceeding 17 years of age, with several others submitted. The trial judge has since investigated the matter and is convinced that this boy was over persuaded to submit along with the others and that the sentence is improper as to him, and he requests me to grant an immediate pardon. The solicitor joins the judge in requesting pardon, as do a number of others acquainted with the facts."

The town of Allemanis experienced a wholesale cleaning up of its tiger element Thursday when the chief of police swooped down on the sightless animals and incarcerated nine in the town lock-up. When the tigers began to get in their dirty work before Christmas detectives were employed and the bunch was captured without trouble.

High Point had a high old time Christmas. It is related that the number of drunks during the holy Christmas season exceeded all previous records. The tigers of the city did a big business and the mail order houses a larger one. The Southern Express Company had to rent larger quarters to handle the stuff and the city lock-up was kept crowded all the time.

Capt. R. L. Miner, of Spencer, conductor on a freight train on the main line of the Southern railway was on a siding at Brown Summit, Guilford county, while his train was on a siding at Brown Summit, Guilford county. A search of the train showed that seven cars had been broken open and a part of their contents stolen. Capt. Bell, also a conductor on the Southern, was seriously shot by robbers near the same place some months ago.

At Rowland, Robeson county, Christmas day, a drunken negro man went to the home of a colored woman and behaved in such a manner that he was ordered away. He fired on the woman with a shot gun, while she held an infant in her arms, and the lead took effect in the child's head, dashing out its brains. The man escaped.

While on a drinking spree Saturday night William Tyson of Ansonville went to the Christmas tree of the Baptist church of that town and, after being put out of the church, shot a horse belonging to the superintendent of the Sunday school. He was displaying his pistol and in other ways disturbing the congregation when Mr. James Tyson, who was helping about the exercises, and Mr. Fred Staton, led him outside. In a few minutes a shot was fired and it was learned that the boy had killed a horse belonging to James Tyson.

Stephens C. Barger, of Washington, N. O., was Saturday appointed judge of the First judicial

AMBITION TALKS



BY HARLAN READ

Responsibility.

Some time near the beginning of the world men were equal in everything except capacity and ability. They did not long remain so. Two brothers offered up sacrifices, and the offering of one was more acceptable than the offering of the other.

Twelve sons came to one father, and one of them became the favorite.

A mighty nation was formed, and one out of many citizens was elected to become king. And ever since those days there have been men whose offerings and services have been acceptable, boys whose industry has made them favorites, and citizens whose talents have caused them to be elected kings, governors and presidents. They have been crowned with glory and honor, and all their brethren have bowed down before them. They have worn mantles of authority and held scepters of power. They have governed the brains, the bodies, the souls and the pocketbooks of the multitude.

It is not knowledge that so elevates men above their fellows, for many a learned man has been born, reared and buried in complete and absolute insignificance. It is not hard work, for many a midnight toiler has slaved himself to his grave in a cellar or attic on forty dollars a month. It is not prudence, ambition, love or religion, for the possessors of these attributes stand in multitudes upon every strand of the ladder of success. What is it?

I will tell you what it is. The faculty of accepting public and private trust and putting upon one's shoulders the burden of responsibility.

When an employer has an important letter which he wishes to be mailed at six p. m. he will either put it in the box with his own hands or give it in charge of some one who would rather miss his supper than fail to do his duty. When the President of the United States appoints a Secretary of War he selects a man who would rather be shot, hanged, drawn and quartered than to fail to act promptly in a pinch. When the people elect a governor they want a man who will either veto a bill or sign it. The rabble honors a man who will act, a man who is not afraid to do things and to be responsible.

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al district by Governor Kitchin, and will hold his first court in Wake county - January 8. He succeeds the Hon. George W. Ward, whose resignation was announced in the morning papers of December 12 and for whose position there has been a merry contest since that time.

Friday afternoon Harrison Johnson, was brought to Goldsboro and placed in jail on a charge of killing J. H. Bowen, another white man from the same section. Bowen and Johnson, both over 60 years old, came to Goldsboro last Saturday and "loaded up" on blind tiger whiskey. On the highway home Saturday evening, each riding in his own vehicle, they got into a dispute. Beyond Neuse river bridge they got out of their vehicles in the road to "fight it out," with the result that Johnson cut Bowen so severely that he was unable to help himself and was taken up by some one passing and brought back to the city, where he was placed in the Goldsboro hospital. Here he received all possible care, but his wounds from the first were hopeless.

The little town of Grimesland, twelve miles from Greenville, N. C., was almost wiped off the map by fire Thursday. Every business house on one side of the street was burned and it was the utmost difficulty that the fire was kept from the other side. The damage is conservatively estimated at \$25,000.

Baker Byron is in jail at Newberne for the murder of Will Avery, a young engineer of that city. So far as can be learned the murder was unprovoked and cold blooded.

While the total population of the United States increased about 11 per cent. in the last six years the number of insane people was augmented during the same period by 25 per cent. In 872 institutions canvassed by the census bureau up to January 1, 1910, there were 187,454 patients or an increase of 87,808 since 1904. Massachusetts led the states with 844.6 insane per 100,000 population, with New York a close second with 848.1 for every 100,000 persons.

Detective William J. Burns has arrived in New Orleans to conclude the investigation of a dynamite explosion which wrecked a building erected by non-union men.

Senator Bailey of Texas has announced that he would accept the invitation to speak before the North Carolina Bar Association at its annual meeting in June.

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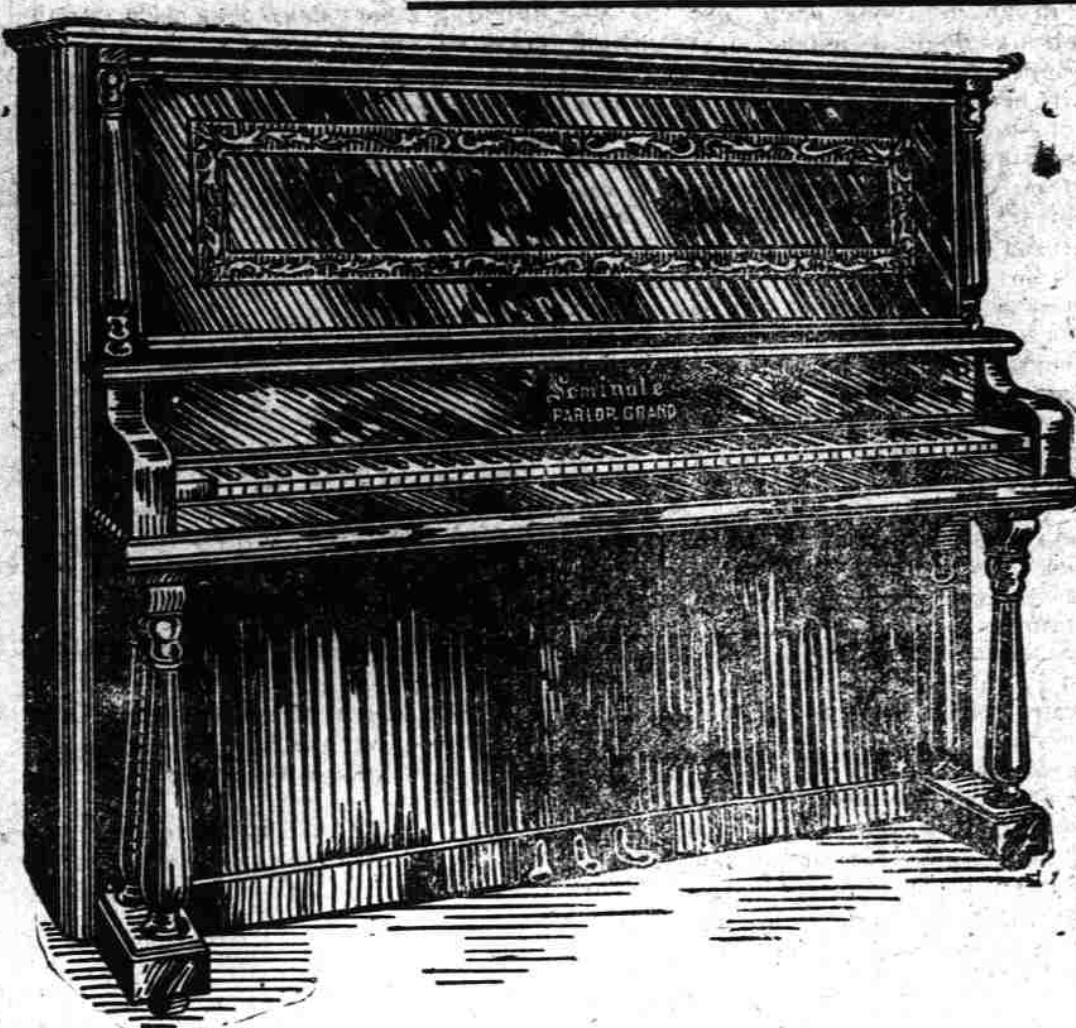
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1912 Promises to be Good One for This State.
What has 1912 in store for North Carolina?
This is an interesting question. Editor Wade Harris, of the Charlotte Chronicle, believes the year 1912 is going to be the best year the good old state has known for a long time. Beginning at Raleigh, we are to have the new \$250,000 department building and the Ashley Home \$10,000

monument to the Women of the Confederacy, in addition to a new theatre and a couple of hotels. Then will come the Norfolk and Southern to Charlotte. As to Concord, it will see its street car line extended and possibly before the year is out may be hitched up with the interurban, or at any rate be running to Kannapolis, Landis, China Grove and Salisbury. The early part of the year will see the trolley

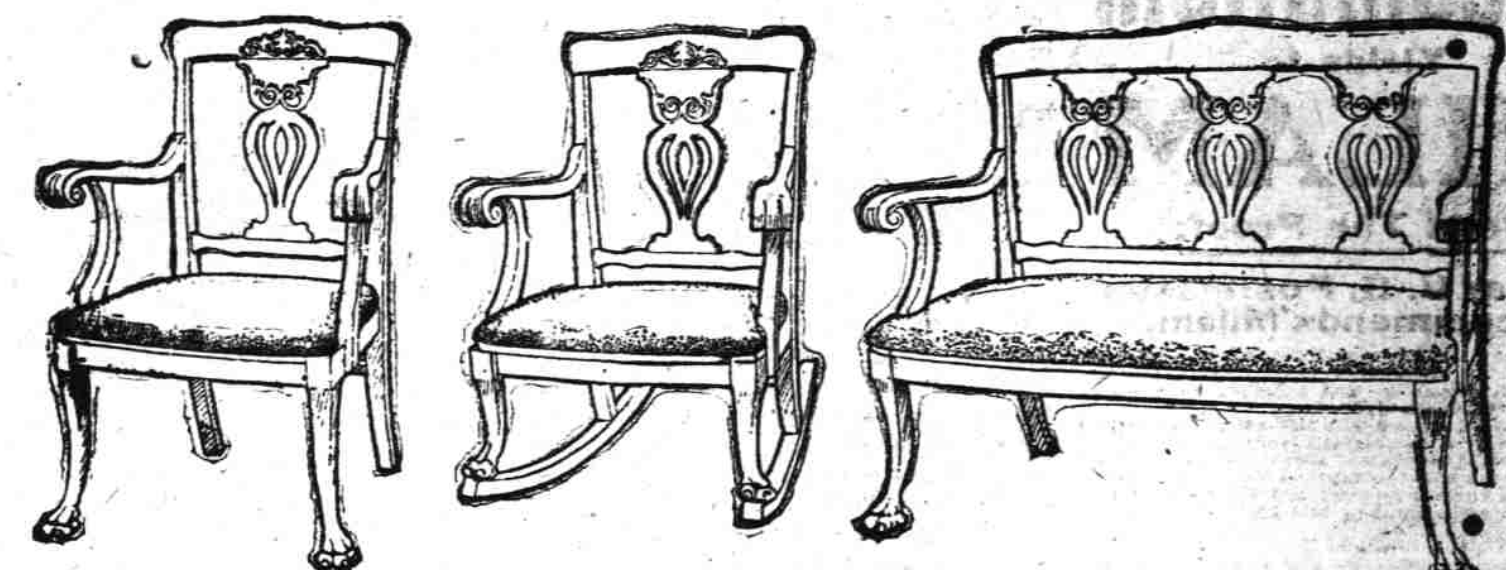
line between Charlotte and Gastonia opened for traffic, with a four-block area in Charlotte, formerly occupied by residences, converted into a freight and passenger terminals.
There is corn in the crib, meat in the smokehouse and some money in the bank. We may also elect a democratic president. The year 1912 is going to be a great one for the State of North Carolina.

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There is a ballot box in the office of THE WATCHMAN where votes may be deposited for any contestants whom you may see fit to favor with your votes. If you cannot bring the ballots to the office send them in by mail and the votes will be credited to the candidates for whom they are intended.

The main source of obtaining votes though is by getting prepaid subscriptions to THE WATCHMAN AND RECORD, old ones renewed or new subscriptions. For scale of votes see advertising page in this issue.

Subscription books are furnished the contestants. If you have not already received same call at the office here and you will be supplied with them at once.

RULES AND REGULATIONS OF CONTEST.
Rule 1. All money obtained by the contestants shall be turned over to the contest manager.
Rule 2. Votes cannot be bought or exchanged. The contest will be run on a fair and square basis for all. Votes can only be obtained by securing subscriptions or getting renewals, or by cutting the nomination or free vote certificate out of each issue. Each contestant is allowed one nomination coupon giving her one thousand votes.
Rule 3. As soon as money for subscription is brought or mailed to WATCHMAN-RECORD office, by contestants, votes will be issued. These votes may be dropped into the ballot box at the time they are issued, but they must be placed in the box before 2 p. m., January 22nd in order to be valid.
Rule 4. Nominators and contestants in the WATCHMAN-RECORD contest must agree to and accept all rules and conditions.
Rule 5. The right is reserved to reject any name for contestant for any cause, also to alter these rules should occasion demand.
Rule 6. Any question that may arise between contestants will be decided by contest manager and her decision shall be final.
Rule 7. IMPORTANT.—The contest closes at 2 o'clock p. m., sharp on Monday, January 22nd, 1912. Absolutely no votes will be credited or received after this time. The result of the contest will be announced by 5 o'clock, Monday, January 22nd at the WATCHMAN-RECORD office.

If any point is not clear to a prospective contestant, we should be glad to have her call at the office and have it explained. The contest manager will be at Salisbury for the full time the contest is going on and her services are at your disposal at all times. We hope that a large number of ladies will enter at once. A late start is a great handicap in a proposition of this sort and we urge all prospective contestants to enter their names and get busy right away.