

The Messenger.

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ELECTION RETURNS AND THE PROMISE.

The recent elections were very much in the old way. Republican states went republican, and some by increased majorities. New York city went heavily against Tammany rule and ruin.

Watch closely the incoming new congress. You will see that increasing extravagance and greater expenditures will follow. The trend in this country and most unfortunately, and among all kinds of government—national, state, municipal—is to greater expenditures.

DIPHTHERIA SERUM.

The newspapers are considering the very unfortunate experiment of St. Louis with the anti-toxin for diphtheria. Its use produced lockjaw in several cases, some fatal.

From every part of the world where it has been systematically tried have come tidings of a reduced mortality. In Prussia, for instance, the average number of deaths from diphtheria between 1885 and 1894 was 15.5 in every 10,000 people.

Death of Captain Anderson

Washington, November 7.—A cablegram received at the war department today from General Chaffee at Manila announces the death from pneumonia of Captain Robert H. Anderson, of the Ninth infantry.

A Powder Mill Explosion

Removes everything in sight; so do drastic mineral pills, but both are mighty dangerous. Don't dynamite the delicate machinery of your body with calomel, croton oil or aloes pills.

AN ACCOMPLISHED NEGRO'S VIEWS.

During the late campaign in Maryland some very striking articles were printed in the Baltimore Sun from contributors. On the 3rd inst, one on negro suffrage appeared. It argued that the negro should not rule Maryland or this country, and that it is the greatest of questions at this time.

The writer reproduces fifteen extracts from a northern colored author relative to his race, showing the complete inferiority of the race. We think the view in some particulars extreme, and unjust to a considerable number of the negro race.

The writer of the excerpts is, we think, William H. Thomas, who published a year or so ago a book on "The American Negro." He probably understands the negro quite as well as Teddy Roosevelt or any other negro-philist in all Yankeeedom.

"There is a disposition among well-meaning white persons to sympathize with, apologize for and condone his gravest shortcomings under the plea that he is ignorant of his duty and responsibilities to himself and society.

"The highest aspiration of negro ambition is not to acquire the essential spirit of knowledge, but to imitate mechanically what he only succeeds in caricaturing."

"Knowledge, refinement, truth and honor are to the negro's mind as the sun and moon are to the ignorant and the ignorant, but which in no sense work a reconstruction in the nature of a man."

"The negro is immoral and lazy. His conscience is dead; his intellect dense."

"Not only do negroes lack the ability to acquire clear and concise knowledge of life and things, but in that which they appear to understand there is forever wanting judgment in its use."

"The negro has a brutal and morbid instinct and a domineering spirit, which utterly unfit the freedman for rational self-control."

"There are a great many of the race of whom better things might be affirmed. Even many of the blacks are free from and above some of the opinions expressed. Many of the half-breeds or even higher breeds are better and nobler because of the white infusion of blood. But the man who wrote the above estimate is no doubt a very close observer.

THE VACANT JUDGESHIP

The President Considering Names of Candidates for the Position

Washington, November 7.—The vacant Virginia judgeship caused by the death of Judge John Paul occupied a good deal of the president's attention today. The names of democrats as well as republicans are being presented to the president, but he has not yet reached a conclusion.

GLEANING AND COMMENT.

The relations between France and Turkey are so strained the outcome may be a war. It is also known that the relations between Germany and Europe are becoming somewhat strained, more so than a year ago or more when there was an impression that cordiality has gone and in Africa Germanic influence would be felt.

The price of cotton continues to decline and in consequence business is not as good as it was last fall. Many of the farmers of this section are holding their cotton for a year or more than half what last season's were.

Port Huron, Mich., November 7.—By his own written confession Charles D. Thompson, supreme finance keeper of the supreme tent, Knights of the Macabees, and a prominent vessel and tug man of this city, is a defaulter in the sum of \$7,000.

The first intimation of the shortage came last Tuesday afternoon when Supreme Commander Markey and Supreme Record Keeper George J. Sigle were checking over the finance keeper's books. An error was discovered and they called Thompson's attention to it.

Wednesday morning he came to Supreme Commander Markey's office and confessed that his accounts were short \$7,000. He then and there signed a written confession of the embezzlement. An examination of the books followed and the shortage was disclosed.

The companies in Mr. Thompson's body and representatives of each company are now on their way to Port Huron. Thompson is at his home awaiting their arrival and whatever action they may take. He is not under arrest, but says he expects to be arrested and prosecuted and is prepared to pay the penalty of his breach of trust.

THE ASHEVILLE SHOOTING

Particulars of the Fall—Miss Slagle's Statement—Visited in Her Cell by Friends Who Offer Assistance

Asheville, November 6.—Great excitement was created in the central part of the city this morning by a shooting affair. The person who did the shooting was a young girl, Mary Slagle. The victim was Houston Merrimon, assistant cashier of the Blue Ridge National Bank and son of ex-Judge James H. Merrimon.

The Bailey street car had reached the court square at 9 o'clock. In it were the two persons concerned. As young Merrimon started from the car the girl fired, but the shot only took effect in the side of the car. When he reached the ground three other shots were fired. One entered the left arm, splintering it and the young man partially fell. As he rose, the fourth and last shot again sent him to the ground. The bullet entered about the center of the back and passed almost through his body. The injured young man was carried to the Merrimon hospital and a number of prominent physicians summoned. He may recover.

The whole tragedy was enacted in a few moments, and no one could reach the girl until she had accomplished her purpose. Chief of Police Fulman rushed through the crowd, and was astonished beyond expression when the girl a mere child, said in a clear voice: "I shot him. He ruined me, and I wanted to ruin him. God told me last night to take his life."

The girl was at once placed in a cell at the police station, and everything possible done to make her comfortable. Apples and other eatables had been taken to her and it is said a number of ladies will fit up the cell in an attractive manner. Sympathy is usually with the girl in such cases, but in this instance the sympathy has been more pronounced, partly because of the tender age of the girl, and partly because the opinion prevails that she has been very much wronged by Merrimon. The girl lives near the Merrimon residence on French Broad avenue, with her mother, and she has at various times been employed to do light work at the Merrimon home. The girl claims that Merrimon took advantage of her presence in the house and enticed her to her ruin. Among those who called on the girl in her cell today was J. G. Merrimon, brother of the young man who was shot. Mr. Merrimon told the girl that she would be glad to see her serve to her in any way, and would aid her in making a bond for her release. Able counsel has been employed to defend the girl.

At the hospital the bullets which had entered Merrimon's arm and back were extracted. The one which entered the back was extracted from the left breast, it having lodged under the skin. Late tonight the physicians say that Merrimon has an even chance to recover.

SOUND AS A DOLLAR

That is the result of a course of treatment with Scott's Emulsion. We have special reference to persons with weak lungs and sensitive throats.

Scott's Emulsion does some things better than others. This is one of them. It has a peculiar action on the throat and lungs which gives them strength and makes them tough.

That's how Scott's Emulsion drives out coughs, colds and bronchitis. It keeps them out, too.

Dunn News Notes

Dunn, N. C., November 7. Yesterday at 12:30 o'clock, Mr. W. A. Leggett, a popular young druggist of Edenton, N. C., was married to Miss Jessie Herman, one of our town's most popular and accomplished young ladies. The marriage was a quiet one and took place at the home of Mrs. P. L. Herman on Broad street. Rev. W. A. Forbes performed the solemn ceremony. The happy couple left on the 1 p. m. train for the home of the groom in Edenton.

Mr. J. M. Davis, of one of Harnett's best families, was united this morning in marriage to Miss Kate Elliott of Raleigh, at the home of Mr. Franklin McNeill. They will reach Mr. Davis' home this evening. Miss Elliott is a sister of Mrs. W. L. Williams, of Cumberland, and Mrs. G. C. Williams, of Raleigh.

Have you court news next Monday at Lillington. Judge Robinson and Solicitor Jones will preside. The Dunn cornet band is making music for the Cumberland fair this week. The band is composed of the cleverest and best young men of our town.

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Mr. M. T. Young and his manager of the south Dunn furniture factory, went to New York this week on business connected with furniture sales. The new brick building on Broad street will be finished this week with a handsome opera hall in the second story. On Thursday evening, November 21st the Herald Square Opera Company will give the first entertainment. This will be a new feature for our town and will attract a large crowd for the opening of the hall.

CONFESSED TO EMBEZZLEMENT

Supreme Finance Keeper of Knights of the Macabees - Short \$57,000

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THE DEAD CHINESE STATESMAN

Closing Scenes of Li Hung Chang's Life—Chinese Rites

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The foreign doctors left him early yesterday, saying that nothing more could be done. His personal physician, Dr. Watt, then took charge. The controversy between the foreign and Chinese doctors had no effect on the patient, because he was already beyond hope of recovery.

The flames of the procession of paper effigies, chairs and horses, burned in the court yard of the yamen to carry his spirit to heaven, told the crowd of officials who were gathered in the narrow street outside the yamen that the end had come.

Soon afterwards a procession appeared with a costly coffin of teakwood, beautifully lacquered. This coffin, Li Hung Chang took on his trip around the world and he brought it from Canton when he came to Peking to settle the "Boxer" troubles. Since that time it had been kept in a temple here. The body will be placed in the coffin tomorrow morning with the customary rites. On Sunday there will be a ceremonial corresponding to a lying-in-state, and all the Chinese officials will pay their respects. A separate day will be designated for the ministers of the powers.

The interment will be at the birth place of the deceased statesman, a little village in the province of An-Hui. The time has not yet been decided upon.

STATE PRESS.

The president proposes to apologize for his negro social equality performance by inviting more negroes to eat with him. If he gets scarce on negroes we can send him a few and we warrant them to eat every time he invites them and to give entire satisfaction.—Wilkesboro Chronicle.

Mr. Turner was absolutely fearless in the denunciation of men and measures of those agonizing times. He represented the state in the senate of the confederate congress and after the war elected a representative in the United States congress, but was not permitted to take his seat. We are informed that he has considerable valuable manuscript in regard to the events of the civil war period and that immediately following.—Burlington News.

The white man of the south will never meet the negro on social equality. He will not; he cannot. On the other hand the north knows the negro only as a mere human being who must be treated in the same manner as any other member of the human family. They are ignorant of the real negro in the south. There can be no objection to the northerner's making the negro his social equal, but we do not think that asking too much when we insist that our northern friends shall respect the dearest traditions that we have when they come into our midst.—Rocky Mount Motor.

FIRST HEAVY FROST

New Colored Church Opposite Capitol Square—New Portraits in State Library—October Report of State Board of Health

Raleigh, N. C., November 7. E. L. Travis, of the penitentiary directors, says the cotton crop at the state farms is turning out better than was expected.

To show the poorness of the cotton crop in this section it may be stated that in this county east of here there is only one-third of a crop. The first heavy frost of the season came this morning and whitened the ground like a light snowfall.

The first car-load of exhibits for the Charleston exposition was shipped today by the agricultural department. There will be more car-loads. The exhibit is in four classes—agriculture, forestry, horticulture and mining—and will be shown, collectively, in the forestry building. There will be 120 specimens of woods, half of them in discs, highly polished. This is the first use of discs by this state.

The state authorities here are advised that there is trouble in Yancey county regarding the public school fund. The county authorities have allowed only 40 cents per capita for school children. The state superintendent will go there and investigate.

The foundation of the First colored Baptist church here is being laid, at the southeastern corner of the capital square. The building is to be of granite and brick and is to cost \$30,000. It is to be finished in a year.

In the state library five new pictures were hung—that of Captain Otway Burns; Dr. Caruthers, one of the historians of the Revolution; R. E. Lucas, a lieutenant colonel in the United States service; the gift of Thomas S. Kenner, Colonel Stringfield and his Cherokee Indians in the Confederate States service from North Carolina. A picture of the court house of Pitt in 1770 was also hung today.

John M. Wilson, the founder of the saw mill interest at Wilson's Mills, Johnston county, and widely known in that business, is dead.

The October bulletin of the state board of health, issued today, reports scarlet fever in 32 counties, diphtheria in 17; typhoid fever in 55, malarial fever in 44, pernicious malarial fever in 6, hemorrhagic fever in 8 (2 each in Craven and New Hanover), smallpox in 8. It also reports hog cholera in 10, spinal meningitis in horses in Randolph and Stokes in 2 (one of these in New Hanover).

No Right to Ugliness

The woman who is lovely in appearance and temper will always have friends, but one who would be attractive must keep her health. If she is weak, sickly and all run down, she will be nervous and irritable. If she has constipation or kidney trouble, her complexion will be sallow, blotches, skin eruptions and a wretched complexion. Electric Bitters is the best medicine in the world to regulate stomach, liver and kidneys and to purify the blood. It gives strong nerves, bright eyes, smooth, velvety skin, rich complexion. It will make a good-looking, charming woman of a run-down invalid. Only 50 cents at R. R. Bellamy's drug store.

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Chamberlain's Stomach and Liver Tablets cure biliousness, constipation and headache. They are easy to take and pleasant in effect. For sale by R. R. Bellamy, druggist.

MUTINY OF PRISONERS

CONFINED IN THE FEDERAL PRISON AT LEAVENWORTH.

By a Rush over the Guards at the New Prison Stockade—One Convict Killed and Two Wounded—Three of the Guards Wounded—The Convicts Making for the Rough Country—Divided Into Small Parties—Farmers Being Robbed of Horses and Clothing

Leavenworth, Kas., November 7.—One man was killed, five others dangerously wounded and twenty-six desperate convicts are at large, as a result of a mutiny late this afternoon at the site of the new United States prison, where 400 prisoners from the federal prison, in charge of thirty armed guards, were at work.

When the trouble began the rebellious prisoners had only two revolvers. These had been secreted in one of the walls of the building by some unknown person. Two walls are partly completed and the remainder of the site of the building is surrounded by a high wooden stockade.

Gus Parker of Armore, I. T., one of the ringleaders of the mutiny, under pretense of a necessity, walked to the corner of the stockade, where the revolvers were concealed and under cover of some weeds secured them without being detected. He returned to the gang and passed one of the revolvers to Frank Thompson, a negro from South McAlester, I. T., who secreted it about his person.

When T. E. Hinds, superintendent of construction, and three unarmed guards prepared to round up the men at the end of the day's work, the two armed convicts covered them with the revolvers and, encouraged by the other mutinous convicts, forced the men to walk before them to the northwestern corner of the stockade, where they expected to make a rush through the opening. On the outside of the stockade was an armed guard and the convicts were met at the opening by C. E. Burrows, a guard, who fought them back, but who received two shots in the neck.

The convicts then rushed over to the south wall to another opening and were met by Arthur Treelford, an armed guard who is in charge of all the convicts. Treelford resisted the convicts and was shot twice, but not dangerously wounded.

Defeated in their attempt to escape at this point, the men rushed to the guardhouse, a temporary frame structure where the arms are kept. The guards from the outside rushed in at this point and drove the convicts away from the guard house. J. P. Waldrup, a guard shot and killed Ford Quinn, from Ryan, I. T.

The prisoners then made a grand rush for the main entrance and twenty-six of them succeeded in escaping. Most of the escaped men are from Indian territory.

Closely followed by the guards the men ran to a nearby forest and succeeded in evading their pursuers. The men went in the direction of Easton, Kas., and it is reported that they have held up many farmers, taking horses and clothing.

Volcanic Eruptions

Are grand, but Skin Eruptions rob life of joy. Bucklen's Arnica Salve, cures them; also Old, Running and Fever Sores, Ulcers, Bolls, Felons, Corns, Warts, Cuts, Bruises, Blisters, Scalds, Chapped Hands, Childbirth, Best Pile cure on earth. Drives out Pains and Aches. Only 25 cts. a box. Cure guaranteed. Sold by R. R. Bellamy, druggist.

NORTH CAROLINA.

Monroe Enquirer: A burglar broke into Mr. C. F. Lowe's house last Saturday night sometime between dark and 10:30 o'clock. Mr. Lowe's family is away from home and the burglar had easy work in making a raid. An overcoat, a gold watch and a pair of shoes were taken. Mr. Lowe prizes the watch very highly as it was his father's.—The dispensary did a staggering business last Saturday. Receipts amounted to about \$500. That does not sound like hard times. And of course the men who were taken. Blisters will not need the money for anything else.—Last Sunday afternoon Mr. H. L. Price who lives at Prices' Mill, Sandy Ridge township, lost a large new barn and all its contents by fire. Loss several hundred dollars.

Gastonia Gazette: One day last week little Mary Costner, four years old, daughter of Mr. F. A. Costner, was badly burned on the face by hot grease. She was playing near the stove when some of the other children upset the pan. The upper part of her cheek and the scalp near her forehead were the worst burned places. The grease will be saved, and it is hoped that the scars may in time disappear.—The gospel meetings conducted by Rev. R. P. Pearson at the Presbyterian church maintain their great interest and attendance. The subject tonight will be "A Message from God." There have been many professions of faith and there is a deep concern among the unconverted.

His Life Was Saved.

Mr. J. F. Lilly, a prominent citizen of Hannibal, Mo., lately had a wonderful deliverance from a frightful death. In telling of it he says: "I was taken with Typhoid Fever, that ran into Pneumonia. My lungs became hardened. I was so weak I couldn't even sit up in bed. Nothing helped me. I expected to die soon. Dis of Consumption, when I heard of Dr. King's New Discovery. One bottle gave me great relief. I continued to use it, and now am well and strong. I can't say too much in its praise." This marvelous medicine is the surest and quickest cure in the world for all Throat and Lung Trouble. Regular sizes 50 cents & \$1.00. Trial bottles free at R. R. Bellamy's drug store; every bottle guaranteed.

Happy Young Men in Norway

The Young men of Norway are jubilant over a law lately passed in that country providing that in future any woman who desires to get married must present to the proper authorities a certificate showing that she is skilled in the arts of cooking, sewing, knitting, and embroidering. The young women are wondering why no certificates are to be required from men which shall prove that they are able to support their wives.—New York Tribune.

We'll send you a little to try, if you like. SCOTT & BOWNE, 409 Pearl street, New York.