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## JOTTINGS.

In the events of war the Irish National League has offered Uncle Sam 100,000 disciplined soldiers, the Russian National Society 50,000 more, with other adopted societies to be heard from. There's a previousness about this that will give way to running qualities when the rub comes.

Joseph Farragutt of Greenville, N. H. has been married five times and up to Christmas was the father of twenty five children, when on that day his fifth wife presented him an additional pair of twin daughters. His chief cause for joy over such presents, was that it was not triplets.

Mrs Katy Green, of Kansas City, twice married to the same from whom she finally separated is now suing P H Soden of that city for \$20,000 for breach of promise, because he married another woman.

Wm Miller, a wealthy citizen of Davie county, N. C.; during a fit of insanity Friday night, shot his wife while she was running from him. Her injuries are regarded as serious. An old plea to cheat the gallows.

Congressman Smith of Michigan, could not go to Grand Rapids to fill his appointment in person, so he spoke into a phonograph and sent that to speak to the crowd. What an affliction the phonograph may prove.

Secretary Herbert announced Friday that the twin sister of the battleship Kearsarge had been named the Kentucky. If there's anything in a name it will be heard from.

Cincinnati consumes, per capita, eighty gallons of beer per year; St Louis ninety three; Milwaukee one hundred and two. Now let Chicago be heard from.

A Republican preacher, of Maryland, who voted for Cleveland, is now giving him fits from the pulpit. Repentance can sometimes come too late.

Mr. Rockefeller's income is estimated to be \$27,000 daily. And without even running a local paper

## IN NORTHERN WAR PRISON.

### THE CRUELTY OF ONE BRUTE BRADY.

Mr. Albert Stacey Caison Tells of the Horrors of Prison Life at Fort Delaware, Point Lookout and Camp Chase—A Death Rate of 30 Per Day.

#### PART I

The following graphic story of the life in Northern prisons during the war, is from the pen of Mr. Albert Stacey Caison, a native of Fayetteville, but now of Jefferson City, Mo. It was written while he was a resident of Lenoir, from which place he went into the army.

In the Century Magazine for March, 1891, there is a touching account of prison life at Johnson's Island, and the writer in speaking of his short stay at Point Lookout after his release says:

"Thinking we had exhausted the capacity of prison life for harm, we were little prepared for the sight which met our eyes, as we entered this place, but seeing these unfortunates we felt that we stood in the presence of men who had touched depths of suffering that we had not reached.

"All along the route we were fearful that some evil chance should turn us back again to the old life but that fear became secondary to the dread lest we should call a permanent halt at this point, and we drew a long breath of relief when we marched out of this place."

I was one of "these unfortunates," and, strange to say, survived seventeen months of the horrors we witnessed there, and neither time nor circumstance can ever efface the recollection of what I suffered.

Like all Southern boys, I believed that the war would be brief but glorious, and when the call came for volunteers, I was one of the first to respond; and I cannot describe my feeling of disappointment and chagrin when my father—himself a volunteer—told me that I must not join the army but must continue at school, my fear now being that the war would end before I could have any share in it. However, my enthusiasm did not cool in the least, and I found some consolation in drilling a company of my school-mates, and we were practicing to some purpose.

When I did go into the army I joined Company I, Twenty-sixth North Carolina Regiment, and was as proud and happy as possible when I put on soldiers' clothes shouldered my gun and marched away to share the danger and the glory of this courageous band.

But as I am to tell of my prison life I must pass over other events in camp and field, and commence with the battle of Gettysburg, where all active service for my beloved South came to a bitter end.

Well do I remember the first shell that burst in our ranks that first day. We were still in the road, and our boys wavered just a little, when our gallant colonel, H K Burgwyn, called out, "Steady, men!" which brought every man to

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## BREVITIES

On account of the recent order from England to tobacco agents to cease buying the Kentucky product, together with the decline in prices caused by the warfare between manufacturers, Leslie Coombs, of Lexington, Ky., the largest tobacco planter in the world, made an assignment. Liabilities are \$300,000. Among the assets are a quantity of tobacco estimated at 700,000 pounds and nearly 1,000 acres of blue-grass land.

John Martin, a Lehigh Valley dock hand, of Perth Amboy, N. J. threw a lighted lamp at his wife. The lamp broke and the oil, igniting, set fire to the woman's clothing. The husband, who was drunk, shut himself into a room and permitted his wife to burn to death. The house was saved from destruction by neighbors. Martin was arrested.

The Treasury receipts for December will probably exceed the expenditures about \$500,000 and leave the deficit for the half year at about \$15,500,000. So far this month the Treasury has exchanged \$18,000,000 in gold for legal tenders and for the half year to date about \$74,000,000.

Mr Kenton C. Murray, editor of the Norfolk Landmark and Superintendent of Public Schools for the city of Norfolk, died at his residence in that city Monday afternoon at 5:30 o'clock in the 46th year of his age.

Every window glass factory in the country will close down January 11, 1896, in order to reduce the production. They will close for a month saving millions for the manufacturers and throwing thousands out of employment.

Knoxville, Tenn. merchants have received the contract through a Baltimore merchant to furnish a half million pounds of dried apples to the German army. The fruit will be purchased in that section.

One thousand, seven hundred and eighty-three miles of railroad were built in the United States last year. The South Atlantic States built 327 miles, of which number North Carolina built 39 miles.

In sentencing a "green goods" man at New York, Recorder Goff said the Legislature should pass a law providing for the punishment as felons of farmers who come to town to buy green goods.

Harry Menier, of Brooklyn, jumped from the bridge at St Paul into the waters of the Mississippi Christmas day, a leap of 125 feet. He came out alive.

The President has pardoned Peter S Davis, convicted in Georgia of robbing a postoffice and sentenced to 10 years imprisonment.

The twelve Charleston militia companies have accepted Col Henry Turner's invitation to go to Chicago next year.

The Richmond, Va., school board has adopted Shinn's History in place of Barnes' United States History for use in city schools.

## FROM ROAN TO ROANOKE.

S W Grier, the Express agent at Roseboro, who claimed to have been robbed of \$950 on the night of December 21st by masked burglars has been arrested, and also Mayor Butler and Dr Fleet Cooper, the coroner of Sampson county. A detective worked up the case and the arrests were made. Grier's statement of the affair was that two masked men entered his residence, and at the point of a pistol, compelled him to open a safe and give them \$950 which had been left in his hands early that night by Redmond Butler Mayor of Roseboro, to be transmitted by the Durham Fertilizer Company, of Durham, N. C., of which Butler is agent at Roseboro.

Albert Speaks, a citizen of Iredell county, living in New Hope township, near Everlin postoffice, was found hanging to the rafters of an old deserted school house Christmas morning, with his hands crossed and tied in front of him. The deceased was a married man, 40 years old. He was a wild, reckless fellow a great blockader, with not much standing in the community.

F G Simmons, cashier in the office of Revenue Collector Simmons, has resigned and Samuel A. Ashe is appointed to that position of which he takes charge January 1st. This is one of three places in the collector's office not under civil service.

The 16 year old son of Mr Benjamin Higgins, of Johnston county, was hunting a few days ago, when, in climbing over a fence and dragging his gun, the weapon was discharged, the charge blowing the boy's brains out.

The Southern Railway Monday ran its first through freight train over its new route to Norfolk via Greensboro, Raleigh, Selma and Wilson, operating on the track of Atlantic Coast Line between Selma and Norfolk.

A huge gold nugget that weighs thirty-one pounds and seven ounces avoirdupois, which would make it worth about \$9,000, has been found at Eldorado, Montgomery county.

Gen Doe, Assistant Secretary of War, and Col Whinton, General Supply agent of the War Department were hunting in Pamlico waters this week.

Every store in the town of Liberty on the Cape Fear and Yadkin Valley Railroad, was burned last week. The loss is about \$150,000.

On Saturday the State Treasurer, on the instance of Solicitor Pau, took judgment against the sheriff of Jackson county for \$4,000.

F W Thornton, Fayetteville's great merchant, with a State reputation, has assigned for the benefit of his creditors.

Associate Justice Walter Clark is now in Mexico, and while there will prepare a series of articles for the Arena.

Asheboro had a \$45,000 fire Tuesday. There was very little insurance.