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"ONLY A PITCH FORK."
Jean Alexander, The Scotch Lassie, Used It Fatally on a Tory.
During the Revolutionary war there lived about ten miles south of Greensboro, in Guilford county, near where Pleasant Garden on the C. F. & Y. V. railroad is now situated, a brawny Scotchman, by the name of John Alexander who was proud to own a daughter Jean, whose affectionate nature and brave heart in those days of trouble and apprehension, had won the admiration of all, who knew her. She was her father's only pet and the idol of his heart. John Alexander was an ardent and devoted Whig who not only advocated independence but was an active soldier in the Whig ranks, who was resisting British tyranny and taxation. He went often on what were called "tours of duty", in that day leaving his wife and Jean in the hands of God for protection and safety. He was a disciple of John Knox and believed in the special care that God exercised personally over those who loved and feared him. Jean was of the same heroic faith and while her sex forbade her to take up arms in behalf of the colonies, she was ever ready to avow her principles and express her detestation of Tories and loyalists. Her mother had imbibed these same principles from her gallant husband and inspired her daughter with them from childhood to womanhood. All three were of heroic mould in this heroic age and were equal to the dangers and emergencies which so often surrounded their pathway in life.
While John was in the camp and field, the wife and laughter tilled the farm, raised the stock and kept the household too. Her Tory neighbors dared not molest them for they knew the attempt would be dangerous and that John would avenge the wrong if they perpetrated it. But there were cowards elsewhere among the Tories who would do a secret and dastardly injury where opportunity offered and they were likely to escape detection. It was such nefarious conduct as this which was soon to test Jean's courage and make her a heroine indeed.
John Alexander had just completed a "tour of military duty" and returned to the vicinity of his home, which he approached in the night time to avoid the vigilance of his Tory enemies, who he was informed, were lying in wait for him. These Tories discovered that he was in his humble home, a log house near by, and determined that they would take his life that night. One "Powell," a noted Tory in the county, was the leader of the band who were to assassinate Alexander. About midnight they stealthily approached the house and were endeavoring to force the door which was barred. Jean with woman's intuition took in the situation at once, grabbed a pitch fork which was kept in the house and for a moment stood on the defensive, but on perceiving in the starlight through an unthink space between the logs near the door, Powell's portly body and heard his voice directing the assault.
Without a moment's hesitation or awaiting advice she made a vicious thrust through the open crack and plunged the prongs of the fork to their hilts into Powell's body, and then withdrew it, waiting for more game. It was only a moment later, however, that the agonizing scream of pain which Powell gave and his cry to his companions for help, convinced her that the battle was won and that her victim was mortally wounded. Still Jean stood at bay until she heard the retreating groans of Powell, who was being borne away by his comrades.
Softly she opened the door and heard the last agonizing cry from the savage invader of her home. The other Tories were bearing Powell along the ridge, several miles to his home, but the pitchfork had accomplished its deadly work and Powell died at the end of two miles and there his comrades buried him in his infamy and disgrace, killed by a heroic woman who was defending home and family from his dastardly assault.
This ridge is known to this day, in that vicinity, as "Powell's Ridge." It may well be anticipated that no other attempt to capture the old Whig was made.
These are facts and not romance or fiction. This pitchfork was sacredly preserved in the family until John Alexander died—died a free American citizen. At this sale the "bidding" for this fork was lively for its history was well known. Jacob Kennett became the purchaser and it remained on his plantation for many years and finally descended to John C. Kennett, a prominent citizen in that neighborhood, a grandson of Jacob Kennett. John C. Kennett still lives at the "old home place."
The pitchfork was fully identified by
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WAR DEPARTMENT TROUBLE
Merritt's Demand May Raise a Controversy.

HE IS REGARDED AS IN THE RIGHT
The New Order of the War Department Cuts Off Most of the News. The Hunt Continues.
By Wire to THE TELEGRAM.
Washington, May 17—The leading officials in the war department are unwilling to make any statement regarding the refusal of General Merritt to lead the expedition forces to the Philippines unless more regular troops are assigned to his command. It is regarded as not impossible that the matter may be made the occasion of a sharp controversy in the department. No one in an official capacity is prepared to say what action will be taken. There is an undercurrent of criticism in the department this morning concerning Merritt's declaration. The comment is made however that though he should not make remarks publicly he is exactly right in what he said about the character of the force that should be placed at his disposition for the expedition. It is understood that Merritt really wishes to command the expedition to Cuba or to Porto Rico. The sentiment is generally expressed in official circles that the war will last for a year.
REPORT NOT CONFIRMED.
New York, May 17—The report that a Spanish fleet of warships has been sighted off Martinique and Jamaica has as yet received no confirmation.
MORE VOLUNTEERS START.
Camp Townsend, Peekskill, N. Y., May 17—The twelfth New York volunteers left this morning for Chickamauga.
ILLINOIS ALSO.
Camp Tampa, May 17—The first regiment of Illinois volunteers left for Chickamauga this morning.
VOLUNTEER CALL READY.
Washington, May 17—The navy department refuses to give out any information in regard to the whereabouts of the American fleets.
The second call for volunteers is ready for the President's signature. The call does not specify the number of volunteers or the term for which they shall serve.
SCHEME FAILS.
Key West, May 17—The Spaniards tried an ingenious trick to damage the ships of Commander Watson's blockading fleet yesterday near Havana. Chapman C. Todd, commander of the gunboat Wilmington, learned of the whereabouts of a derelict loaded with car wheels and rails which was drifting apparently deserted. Four shots from the Wilmington were sufficient to sink the dangerous craft.
Dr. Ivey Preached.
A private letter received from Baltimore says that Rev. Dr. Thomas N. Ivey preached a splendid sermon at Mt. Vernon M. E. church on Sunday night, the same pulpit having been occupied at the morning service by Bishop Galloway. Mt. Vernon is one of the largest of the northern Methodist churches. It is safe to say that those who heard Dr. Ivey found his sermon rich and full of meat. He is in the front rank of North Carolina pulpit orators and one of our most eloquent and logical preachers.
G. F. College Decorations.
The chapel of Greensboro Female College will be decorated for the coming commencement occasion with United States flags. The flags, we are told, were purchased several weeks ago and preparations are now being made for decorating on a large scale. The commencement will take place next Wednesday and Thursday week, May 25th and 26th.
News is Bulletinized Now.
Washington, May 16—Stringent orders, forbidding officers and employees in the navy department from furnishing information to newspapers, was issued today.
All news for publication will be posted as bulletins. The first bulletin under the new order were posted this afternoon. It contained this paragraph: Commander Dewey was informed that officers, men and supplies would be sent to Manila by the City of Pekin. About 1,200 troops will go.
To Cure a Cold in One Day.
Take Laxative Bromo Quinine Tablets. All druggists refund the money if it fails to cure. 25c.

NOTES FROM HIGH POINT.

The Local News from Our Neighbor Briefly Told.
TELEGRAM BUREAU. }
HIGH POINT, N. C., May 17, '98.
The people of High Point and surrounding vicinity who have heard Henry Blount, North Carolina's noted linguist, will be pleased to know that they will have another opportunity of hearing him in the Opera House Friday night May 20th. Mr. Blount will deliver that good lecture of his "Beyond the Alps Lies Italy," under the auspices of the Ladies' Aid Society of the Methodist church. Tickets on sale at Matton's drugstore.
Chas. Perle left for Marion today.
J. L. Kirkman, of Marion, who came down Saturday night returned home today.
W. C. Herndon was called by telegram today to Nelson to see his sister who is very sick.
Mrs. M. F. Jones, of Richmond, who is visiting her daughter, Mrs. E. D. Steele, is spending the day in Greensboro.
Miss Hattie Tomlinson, of Archdale, passed through today enroute to Greensboro today to spend a few days shopping.
J. J. White, of Trinity, passed through this morning enroute to Raleigh.
N. Millis went to Charlotte today.
W. A. Plumer, of Archdale, was in the city today enroute to Greensboro.
Rev. J. M. Hilliard, of Greensboro, who has been in the city for a day or two returned home today.
Mrs. A. J. Dodamead who has been visiting her daughter, Mrs. E. H. Davis at Roper, returned home last night.
Perry Johns, of Mt. Airy, who has been visiting his brother, W. E. Johns for a few weeks, returned home today.
Colored Company Organized.
The company of colored volunteers worked up by Dr. Dellinger, met at the court house last night and organized by electing the following officers: Captain, Dr. J. Elmer Dellinger. Lieutenants, S. L. Russell 1st, R. L. C. Sloan 2nd.
Sergeants, L. W. Graves 1st, W. M. Kuble 2nd.
Corporals, Watson Law 1st, J. W. Hargrove 2nd, John Dalrymple 3rd, Sam'l Lucas 4th.
J. C. Howell, W. H. Calbert, musicians.
The company will be known as the "Maine Memorial Light Infantry. There will be a meeting of the company Friday night for drill practice, etc.
The company now numbers 40 men, as many more are expected to volunteer. Much enthusiasm prevails. Others wishing to volunteer are requested to be present Friday night.
To Form a New Company.
Captain Schenck has decided to attempt to form a new company here. At the present rate of mustering in it will require sometime for the second regiment to be filled and the company may be able to get in. With regard to the trouble in the second regiment the Raleigh Post says:
"An impression has gone abroad that the second regiment will not be able to organize. This idea might as well be dispelled. While there are several companies that have not been able to secure the number of men required, it is probable that they will be able to do so. The government gives a company ample opportunity to recruit and be mustered in. Six days are allowed for this purpose."
The headquarters of the second regiment have been changed to the fair grounds because of the lack of tents.
Hunting For the Alarmist.
Up to date the man who rang in the false alarm of fire last Saturday night seems to be dodging the authorities as skillfully as the Cape Verde fleet eludes Sampson. Chief Jos. J. Stone with his entire fleet is hunting for the "gentleman" and woe be unto him when the firemen run across him. Mr. Stone offers ten dollars as prize money to the one effecting the capture.
To Fortify St. Johns.
St. John, N. F., May 16—The government has been advised that owing to complications between Great Britain and France which are likely to result in war and to the constant friction always developing along the French shore of New Foundland, the imperial authorities intend to fortify St. Johns.
Gladstone Sinking.
By Wire to THE TELEGRAM.
London, May 17—It is reported that William E. Gladstone is sinking rapidly.

A CASE OF SPANISH JUSTICE

A War Correspondent Gets Nine Years in Prison.
WILMINGTON CRIPPLES GUNBOAT
Important Events Occurring But Even Senators are Not Allowed to See the Dispatches.
By Cable to THE TELEGRAM.
Ottawa, May 17—The mystery concerning Freeman Halstead, the young Canadian who was reported to have been seized and shot by the Spaniards, has been solved.
Young Halstead had been sent to Porto Rico as the correspondent of the London Graphic. When the news of his arrest reached Canada he adopted parents at once communicated with Henderson, member of the Dominion parliament, and asked him to bring the matter to the attention of the government. Henderson interviewed Sir Louis Davis. The latter proved sympathetic and cabled the British consul at San Juan for information. Davis yesterday received the following report: "Halstead was arrested for photographing forts here, was tried by court martial and sentenced to nine years imprisonment." Efforts are being made to interest the imperial authorities in Davis' case with a view to obtaining a mitigation of his sentence.
WILMINGTON CRIPPLES GUNBOAT.
Key West, May 17—A courier left the Cuban coast this morning in an open boat and carried with him messages from General Gomez. He had not proceeded far from the shore before a Spanish gunboat trained its guns on him. The gunboat Wilmington came to the aid of the courier and chased the Spanish boat away. With one shot the American gunners crippled the enemy's vessel.
DISPATCHES KEPT SECRET.
Washington, May 17—Events of great importance are believed to be occurring today. They are of such importance that the administration has declined to allow even the senators to see today's official dispatches.
WILL ATTACK TODAY.
Hong Kong, May 17—It is reported that the insurgents contemplate an attack on Manila today.
SPANISH FAIRY TALE.
Madrid, May 17—A dispatch received in this city from Havana asserts that an American vessel entrusted with the task of removing torpedoes from the harbor of Cabanas was blown up while attempting to remove them this morning. The report further states that all of the crew aboard perished.
IT WAS A SPANISH BOAT.
Key West, May 17—The American vessel, which a report from Madrid states was blown up while attempting to remove torpedoes from the harbor of Cabanas, proves not to be an American vessel at all. The truth about the blowing up proves that a Spanish schooner was blown up off Cardenas by the American gunboat Wilmington.
HIGH LIVING IN HAVANA.
Kingston, Jamaica, May 17—Refugees aboard the French steamship Fulton, which recently arrived at this port from Havana, say that war prices, almost equal to famine prices, prevail in Havana. Eggs sell for ten cents a pound, meat is cheap at fifty cents a pound, and flour can only be bought at thirty cents a pound. These were the prices when the Fulton left Cuba.
CUBANS JOIN SPAIN'S ARMY.
Kingston, Jamaica, May 17—The Cuban Provisional government has directed its sympathizers living in garrison cities to attempt to evade Blanco's conscription order. This order, it will be remembered, forced into the ranks of volunteers all males whose ages range from fifteen to forty-five. Refugees who have arrived in this city from Havana by the French steamship Fulton report that the Cubans in Havana are joining the volunteers by thousands. Spain is thus arming her enemies who are on the alert and are ready to rise at an opportune moment and strike a telling blow for their freedom from Spanish rule.
WAR VESSEL BLOWN UP.
Madrid, May 17—A despatch from Havana says that a small war vessel has been blown up at Cardenas and seventeen men were killed. The nationality of the vessel is unknown.
DISPATCHES REFUSED.
London, May 17—All of the American cable companies here have instructed their agents to refuse to transmit any dispatches for the Spanish government.

THE NEW BISHOPS

Elected Today at the M. E. General Conference.
Special to the Telegram.
Baltimore, May 17—Dr. Warren Candler, of Georgia, president of Emory College at Oxford, and Dr. H. C. Morrison, of Nashville, Tenn., missionary secretary, were elected bishops of the Methodist Episcopal Church South, at the General Conference here today.
Surveying the New Road.
In accord with the resolution passed by the board of aldermen at their meeting last Friday night in regard to straightening the road beyond the cemetery, City Engineer Richardson yesterday began the preliminary survey of the proposed road. When the work is completed and road graded much will be added to the comfort and pleasure of the travelers of that road. We hope that the work of grading the new road will commence as soon as the surveys are completed.
Historical Edition.
There is now in course of preparation a historical edition of the Church Record, to be issued about June 23. The work is under the management and supervision of J. Norman Willis and will be a very valuable and handsome work. It will contain, besides historical matter pertaining to the M. P. church, a special Greensboro department, which will prove interesting.

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IMPROVED CITY LOTS
Monday May 16th, '98.
Promptly at 12 o'clock noon, on next Monday. The court House bell will ring for this sale. After announcing terms, &c., at the court house door, we will immediately adjourn and all proceed to the property.
First to Mrs. Fugitt's lot and then to Isley property, now occupied by J.M. Love.
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M. P. Building, opposite McAdoo House.
Calls left at Holtan's drug store promptly attended.

THE MARKETS.

Closing Quotations by Private Wire to W. A. Porterfield & Co.
W. A. Porterfield & Co., commission brokers, furnish us with the following closing quotations of the New York Stock Exchange and the Chicago Board of Trade:
The following are the closing quotations of the New York Stock Exchange:
New York, May 17, 1898.
American tobacco..... 110 1/2
Atch., Top. & Santa Fe..... 31 1/4
B. and O..... 21
C. and O..... 21
Chic., Bur. and Quincy..... 100 1/4
Chic. Gas..... 96 1/2
Del., Lack. and Western..... 100
Delaware and Hudson..... 100
Am. spirits..... 36 1/2
Dist'r and cattle feed..... 36 1/2
Erie..... 95
General Electric..... 95
Jersey Central..... 36
Louisville and Nashville..... 53 1/2
Lake Shore..... 100
Manhattan Elevated..... 100 1/2
Missouri and Pacific..... 103
Northwestern..... 124 1/2
Northern Pacific Pr..... 115
National Lead..... 115
New York Central..... 115
Pacific Mail..... 100
Reading..... 18 1/2
Rook Island..... 100
Southern Railway..... 29
Southern Railway Pr..... 29
St. Paul..... 96 1/2
Sugar Trust..... 136 1/2
Tenn. Coal & Iron..... 25 1/2
Texas Pacific..... 25 1/2
U. S. Leather Preferred..... 90
Western Union Tel..... 90
Wabash Preferred..... 90
The following are the closing quotations of the Chicago Board of Trade:
CHICAGO, May 17, 1898.
Wheat, July..... 108
" May..... 149 1/2
" Sept..... 89 1/2
Corn, Dec..... 36 1/2
" Apr..... 36 1/2
" Sept..... 36 1/2
" Oct..... 35 1/2
" May..... 36
" July..... 23 1/2
Oats, Sept..... 23 1/2
" Apr..... 29 1/2
" May..... 29 1/2
" July..... 29 1/2
Pork, Dec..... 1200
" Apr..... 1217
" July..... 670
" Apr..... 662
" May..... 662
" July..... 642
Ribs, Sept..... 635
" Apr..... 642
" July..... 624 @ 625
" Dec..... 627 @ 628
" Feb..... @
" March..... @
" April..... @
" May..... 627 @ 629
" June..... 628 @ 629
" July..... 633 @ 634
" August..... 637 @ 638
" Oct..... 624 @ 625
" Nov..... 624 @ 625
" Jan..... 628 @ 630
Spot cotton..... 6 1/2
Pute, 102 1/2 @ ; Calls, 111 1/2 ; Curb 87 1/2