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THE TENNESSEE EXPOSITION.

Drought and Yellow Fever Material Affected It.

THE ATTENDANCE BY WEEKS.

While the attendance at the Tennessee Centennial exposition did not reach the figure of 2,000,000 that was projected for it, still, considering the hot, dry summer, when the daily attendance averaged only 7,000 to 8,000 and the yellow fever scare that prevailed during the two months that were expected to make the exposition a success, and which unavoidably reduced the attendance by 250,000 to 300,000, the result is remarkable. Had there been no drought and no yellow fever, the exhibition would undoubtedly have attracted an attendance of 2,000,000. The fact that the exhibition was held in Nashville for a public park. But even if it had been held in some other city, it would have been able to attract an attendance of 2,000,000. The fact that the exhibition was held in Nashville for a public park. But even if it had been held in some other city, it would have been able to attract an attendance of 2,000,000.

| Week ending | Attendance |
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| May 15 | 29,317 |
| May 22 | 41,905 |
| May 29 | 41,450 |
| June 5 | 41,481 |
| June 12 | 49,515 |
| June 19 | 59,513 |
| June 26 | 70,893 |
| July 3 | 50,581 |
| July 10 | 106,493 |
| July 17 | 59,387 |
| July 24 | 37,708 |
| July 31 | 36,836 |
| August 7 | 40,755 |
| August 14 | 59,584 |
| August 21 | 36,816 |
| August 28 | 53,904 |
| September 4 | 42,457 |
| September 11 | 56,841 |
| September 18 | 46,772 |
| September 25 | 82,519 |
| October 2 | 53,872 |
| October 9 | 64,829 |
| October 16 | 94,203 |
| October 23 | 72,638 |
| October 30 | 107,936 |
| November 6 | 195,307 |

It is estimated that 20,317 on the opening day, this figure was not passed until the 11th, when President McCall visited the exposition. This day there were 25,213 on the grounds. The three days of the exposition were not only the most successful in the history of the exposition, but also the most successful in the history of the exposition. The fact that the exhibition was held in Nashville for a public park. But even if it had been held in some other city, it would have been able to attract an attendance of 2,000,000.

Collied at Sea.

The schooner Fortuna and Edward G. Briery collided twenty miles south of Montauk's Point, a dispatch from Vineyard Haven, Mass. The Fortuna was wrecked, and possibly her captain and two sailors drowned. The Briery failing to rescue them with the rest of the crew.

Shot at the Preacher.

A report from Mintonville, Ky., states that Rev. Mr. Gilham, of the Christian Church, preached a sermon there in which he told there was no devil. The congregation took offense, and when the reverend gentleman attempted to speak again he was ejected from the house and about twenty pistol shots were fired at him.

Imposing Funeral.

At Windsor Eng., the funeral services over the remains of the Duchess of Teck (Princess Mary of Cambridge), cousin of Queen Victoria, mother-in-law of the Duke of York, and sister of the Duke of Cambridge, who died at the White Lodge, Richmond, took place in St. George's chapel, Windsor Castle. The funeral was imposing.

Thirteen Firemen Injured.

At Philadelphia during the progress of a fire in the Baronet dyeing and scouring establishment a large can of benzene exploded. Thirteen firemen were seriously injured that they had to be taken to the hospital. It is feared some of them may lose their sight.

Three Men Killed.

Three men were killed in a boiler explosion at Vancouver, B. C. One hundred men were about at lunch, or the fatality would have been greater.

LATEST ELECTION NEWS.

Ohio is Republican and Van Wyck's Majority is Large.

In Ohio the Democrats have conceded the election of the Republican State ticket by larger pluralities than were claimed by the Republicans. The Democratic State committee announced no definite claims on the Legislature and the Republican State committee claims a majority of five on joint ballot as follows: Senate: 17 Republicans, 19 Democrats. House: 68 Republicans, 61 Democrats. Total: 85 Republicans, 79 Democrats.

Returns from all the cities in the State of New York indicate a plurality of more than 58,000 for Alton B. Parker, Democratic candidate for Chief Justice of the Court of Appeals. His plurality in Greater New York is 133,053. Van Wyck has 81,548 plurality over Seth Low and 118,401 over General Tracy. The State Legislature remains Republican.

ENGLISH PRESS COMMENTS.

How They Consider the Result of the Late Election.

The elections in the United States continue to overshadow all the other news in the English newspapers. The Sun, of London, of which newspaper Harry Marks has editorial control, says: "The dog returned to his vomit" is the text we recommend pious New York to hang on parlor walls. The chief city of a great people must see its municipal offices filled with men who have the filling cells in the penitentiary. New York has fallen like rotten fruit into the hands of the bodiliers, but the New Yorkers may console themselves with saying that every city that has the government that it deserves."

Mr. James Eckels, the Comptroller of the Currency, will accept the presidency of the Commercial National Bank of Chicago, to which he has been elected. Mr. Eckels' term of office does not expire until April 1898, but at the urgent solicitation of the directors of the bank he will assume his new duties on January 1. During his term as Comptroller Mr. Eckels has won a national reputation as a financier and his administration is generally regarded as exceptionally able. It is understood that his successor will be Mr. C. G. Dawes, of Illinois.

The Cabinet Resigns.

The Premier and his colleagues in the cabinet of Peru insist upon the acceptance of their resignations tendered last week on account of a vote of censure which Congress proposed to pass upon the government, because of its failure to promulgate various measures enacted by the special session of Congress last year. While the President's final decision has not yet been made public, it is believed that he will accept the resignations.

Winter Schedules for Southern Travel.

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ARP AND THE INDIANS.

He Writes Another Interesting Letter on the Red Man.

HISTORY OF THE TRIBES.

As Told by Dr. Peterson, of St. Louis, a Very Learned and Cultured Gentleman.

It seems to me that I am haunted by Indians. The other night as I came from Macon to Atlanta my friend, Judge Hall, introduced me to Dr. Peterson, of St. Louis, a very learned and cultured gentleman, who was connected with the ethnological department of the government and was engaged in examining Indian mounds and in writing up the history of the Indian tribes, especially of the five tribes known as civilized, viz, the Cherokees, Creeks, Chickasaws, Choctaws and Seminoles. As these were our Indians, I became much interested in his discourse, for he had been careful and diligent in his research, and what he knew, he knew well. We talked about DeSoto and his lower and principal tribes, Indians, but he overran this country and took captives as many Indian girls as his wife wanted.

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The New Orleans Situation Much Better. Business Now Improving.

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NUMBER OF COTTON MILLS.

North Carolina Far Ahead of Any Other State in This Industry.

THOS. L. CLINGMAN DEAD.

Forty-five Public Libraries in the State—Vance Homestead Sold—Other Items of Interest.

The forthcoming report of Labor Commissioner Hamrich, in its chapter on "Cotton Mills of North Carolina" will say: "North Carolina is today one of the leading cotton manufacturing states of the Union. So rapidly has she advanced in cotton manufacturing that today no southern state, save North Carolina, can show within 300,000 spindles of the number that are located within the mills of this state.

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NORTH STATE COLLINGS.

The Piano Tax Law Declared to Be Valid by Justice Montgomery.

DEAVER AN OBJECT OF PITY.

Charters Granted—The State Cotton Crop—Number of Applications for Pensions—The Wool Industry.

At Raleigh last week an important case was heard before Justice Montgomery at chambers. A young lady of Henderson was arrested for selling pianos for a Norfolk firm without a license. Under habeas corpus proceedings the case was brought here. Justice Montgomery discharged her, saying the provision of the revenue act was unconstitutional so far as it applied to persons outside the State selling by sample or catalogue, in that it violated the inter-State commerce law.

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Southern Railway

FIRST AND SECOND DIVISIONS.

In effect May 3, 1897.

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| Charlotte | 1:15 | 3:15 | 5:15 | 7:15 |
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A special to the Charlotte Observer from Asheville says: Intense excitement prevailed after disclosure of official rottenness was made. Deaver, already convicted of a felony, pleaded guilty in three other cases of official misdemeanor and begged for mercy. Judge Ewart demanded his immediate resignation, which was at once handed to the clerk. The evidence disclosed a system of blackmailing, extortion and embezzling of public funds in the most appalling character. Judge Ewart openly stated from the bench that a bold and vicious attempt had been made to intimidate him from pressing the trial of the defendant, but that it had failed. The prayer for judgment in all the cases was continued until the December term. Deaver was put under a \$1,000 bond. He is completely crushed and is really an object of pity.

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The movement for a railway from Winston southward, is again being agitated. During the late session of the legislature a bill was introduced. It is now asserted that it is the North Carolina Midland railway and not the Southern which is building the Mocksville-Mooreville link. The Southern people are on the inside in the matter and will operate the road.

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