

Bruin And Cupid.

While a Colored Wedding is in Process of Consummation a Big White Bear Appears on the Scene.

Friday night three miles east of Goldsboro there were large things doing in a little church for colored people. A wedding was on hand, and, as you know, the colored brother loves weddings, most as well as he does funerals. The congregation had arrived and the church was packed with expectant guests. The parson marched in with solemn dignity, as befit his office and the occasion, and presently with appropriate pomp in came the happy bridal party. Gathering about them, the older folks "shuck" hands "wif 'em" and delivered congratulations.

"Honey, you show does look lak a bride," said one old mammy. "Man, you is dressed to kill," said a friend to the groom. "Dat's de handsomest comply I see seed since de time Snake-bit Bill was married to dat yaller gal Mandy on old Marse John's plantation 'fore de wah," said another.

Reaching the altar, the announcement was made to the parson that all was in readiness for the fateful words that would forever bind two souls and two hearts. Adjusting his specs, clearing his throat and opening his Bible, the parson made ready to proceed, when a shadow flitting across his range of vision, caused him to raise his head in time to see a nigger, who was sitting near the altar, and also near a window, go through the window like a shot, head first.

The parson was naturally very much surprised. Just then a piercing scream quivered on the balmy air of night, and all looked to the front, where, upon their horrified eyeballs snote the image of a huge white bear, slowly lumbering in through the door.

In less seconds than you can count the church was in an uproar. Men and women, their only means of exit cut off, went through windows like birds. Panes of glass were shattered to bits. Old then matie niggers wore window sashes like garlands around their necks as they ran through the ground and said, "Umph! I 'clare to Gawd!" Each one expected the white bear to be at his heels and didn't look back, but strained his neck backward till his chin was pointing toward the stars, and ran like all the devils were rided in behind him.

Women crashed through the bushes screaming as they went. "O Gawd," they prayed, "O Gawd! keep dat white varmint off'n me!" The first nigger who saw the bear hasn't been heard from since he drove through the window back of the organ. The bride and groom managed to keep up their lines of communication and crawled under the church. The parson shinned up a slim pine sapling in the tip most top of which he waved like a jaybird. The congregation just simply melted away, and the white bear stood in deep woe, with the whole church to himself. It was bruin and cupid, and bruin won.

The bear belonged to a wandering foreigner who was asleep up the road, and he soon missed his source of revenue, came to the church, collected the bear and was off. One single nigger had nerve enough to hang around fearfully, and saw this last act in the comedy. Realizing it was all over, he sounded the call and soon from surrounding brush came niggers of all ages, kinds and sizes, peeping out like wild things, and sniffing the air. The bride and groom were dragged out from under the church, the parson was lowered from his perilous perch, and the scattered congregation gathered with fearful glances toward the door, and watched with half an eye the concluding of the happy event.

One nigger was missing, though, the one who saw bruin first. He is supposed to be running yet, and will doubtless reach the Gulf of Mexico some day this week.

Another one says: "I 'clare to Gawd, nigger, I never, I never wuz so skeered since I been bawn! Dat 'bar looked like to me he wuz bigger'n a hoss! An' I des nait nait myself on den winder panes. I failed on de back of me neck an' commenced rumin' dat way, an' I spees I done went a mile befo' I got r'er legs in de right position to do business, but, man, when I did! I f'lowed, dat's des what I done, an' no 'bar on dis heah yearth eud er kotched me, no sub! I wakes up nights yit, an' m'ier laigs is des a wuek'n' an' a wuek'n' and I hater git up an' tie um down soze I kin sleep wif m' head!"

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RECORD BREAKING TIME IN CONSUMPTION FIGHT.

An Institution Being Established Every Other Day in the United States to Fight Dread Disease.

Every other day sees a sanatorium, association, or dispensary for the treatment or prevention of tuberculosis established in this country, is a statement recently issued by the National Association for the Study and Prevention of Tuberculosis. During the months of September and October, 16 associations, 10 sanatoria, and 5 dispensaries were started or provided for in the United States, making a record of achievement in anti-tuberculosis activity never before equaled in any country of the world. The stimulus for this wave of philanthropic endeavor has been derived largely from the recent International Congress on Tuberculosis.

From one end of the country to the other, men and women of all ranks and classes are rising up to fight in the battle against tuberculosis. Including the recently formed societies, there are at the present time 211 associations for the study and prevention of tuberculosis in the United States, with a total membership of over 20,000, all engaged in an active war on consumption. Never before in the history of the country has such an army been massed to fight against disease. And, with the present rate of increase sustained, it is estimated that the army will be double in size within a year. On January 1, 1905, there were in the United States only 24 associations for the study and prevention of tuberculosis. By January 1, 1909, there will undoubtedly be 250 such associations. The States which lead in the number of associations are Massachusetts with 26, New Jersey with 22, New York with 19, Michigan with 16, and Pennsylvania with 14. Thirty-five of the forty-six States have one or more associations.

These associations are all philanthropic in organization, and are composed of physicians and laymen, both men and women, who are anxious to see the number of deaths from tuberculosis reduced. That such organizations are instrumental in saving life, may be seen from the reduced death rate in several cities. In Boston the death rate was reduced from 21.70 to 19.46 per ten thousand, largely through the efforts of the local associations. In New York it is estimated that the campaign against tuberculosis has saved to the city annually at least 3,000 lives. In Chicago a similar reduction in the number of deaths from tuberculosis has been effected.

At the head of the great campaign being carried on throughout the country, is the National Association for the Study and Prevention of Tuberculosis, with President Roosevelt as one of its heads and with nearly 2,000 members in every State in the Union. Allied with the national body are 27 State associations who are fighting tuberculosis in their various States. And under these State organizations, or independent of them, there are nearly 200 associations in the principal cities of the country.

The increase in the number of sanatoria at the present time is also particularly noteworthy, since the need for beds for tuberculous patients is evident in every State. There are at the present time 250 sanatoria and hospitals making special provision for tuberculous patients, and the entire bed capacity of all these institutions is but 17,000. When it is considered that there are in the United States at least 450,000 people suffering from tuberculosis, one-third of which number ought to be in sanatoria or hospitals, the lack of bed capacity is very evident.

The dispensary movement, one of the later phases in the anti-tuberculosis campaign, is also receiving a great impetus. Four years ago there were only 19 dispensaries in the United States; at the present time there are 165, and new ones are being established at the rate of one a week. These dispensaries are places to which any one who thinks he has consumption, or knows that he has the disease, may go and be examined and given proper advice and treatment free of charge, or for a very small sum. The emphasis in these institutions has been laid in a regular and sanitary life on the part of the patient and on his sleeping in the open air.

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CHAIRMAN ELLER'S COMMENT ON THE RETURNS.

The Result of the 1908 Election in North Carolina Shows Great Democratic Strength and a United, Militant Party.

Chairman Eller has given out the following interview:

Gain in Democratic vote on State ticket over the vote in 1904. 21,830
Gain in Democratic vote on State ticket over the vote in 1900. 16,541
Gain received in East. 128,771 votes
McNeill received in 1908. 122,273 votes
Kitchin received in 1908. 143,104 votes

The State ticket carried the Fifth district by 1,875 majority.
The State ticket lost the Eighth district by 963 majority.
The State ticket lost the Tenth district by 174 majority.

Except on presidential years, the Eighth district is Democratic. Barring a colossal corruption fund, the Tenth district is safely Democratic. Apart from local and personal contests, that may come to any party at any time, the Fifth district is a rock-ribbed stronghold of Democracy and will remain so.

The Republican vote this year is a mere spurt. It is abnormal and cannot be maintained. It was their last opportunity to fool and frighten the literate vote about the suffrage amendment. It was their last and golden opportunity to practice duplicity in regard to both rail road and prohibition legislation. It was their year to use the power of commercialism in politics to frighten the honest and timid and to purchase the purchasable.

The Democratic gain this year, great as it appears, is normal and will be maintained. The Democratic party is accustomed to cast a large vote each election, because it has worthy measures and men to be voted for. Not so with the Republicans. Since 1896 thousands of Republicans have refused to vote because they had no stomach for their party. This time they were able to sit up and take their medicine even in company with a large increase of the brother-in-law.

The Democrats have taken notice and are glad to know just what the utmost strength of their opponents is. They are glad for the people of North Carolina to know that they are safe only so long as the true Democracy remains true to principle, true to party unity and true to the ballot box. They are glad for the people to be reminded how easily the benefits of white supremacy can be lost—lost irreparably the moment the negroes present themselves to their old allies in charge of the registration and election laws.

The chief boast of the Republicans is that Bryan's majority is only 22,843. In 1900 it was only 21,000, with a much smaller vote than he received this year. Judge Parker had a larger majority in 1904, but his vote that year was 124,121. Mr. Bryan's vote this year is 136,927, a gain for Mr. Bryan on the presidential vote of 12,806.

What hope for Republicans or fear for Democrats springs from the see-saw record of the Eighth and Tenth districts? Examine the table:

Year	Senate	House	Joint
1890	101	149	Democrats
1900	8	17	25 Republicans
1904	3	2	5 Populists
1902	53	161	146 Democrats
1904	6	17	23 Republicans
1904	1	1	1 Independent
1904	41	99	143 Democrats
1906	6	21	27 Republicans
1906	46	98	144 Democrats
1906	4	22	26 Republicans
1908	41	86	136 Democrats
1908	9	25	34 Republicans

The legislature of 1882 was lost to the Democrats of this State following the prohibition election of 1881. In Ohio and Indiana the Republicans this year had to bear the brunt of a prohibition election, and they went down in defeat. Rock-ribbed Maine barely escaped.

That the Democracy of North Carolina has grappled with the problem and with the other great problem of regulating public service corporations and has emerged from the conflict with its vote increased 21,830 over two years ago (17 per cent.), and with its great majority in the legislature unscathed, may well cause our critics to pause and ask themselves if the wish is not father to the thought, when they talk about Democratic defeat.

Mrs. McRaney's Experience.
Mrs. M. McRaney of Prentiss, Miss., writes: "I was confined to my bed for three months with kidney and bladder trouble, and was treated by two physicians but failed to get relief. No human tongue can tell how I suffered, and I had given up hope of ever getting well until I began taking Foley's Kidney Remedy. After taking two bottles I felt like a new person, and feel it my duty to tell suffering women what Foley's Kidney Remedy did for me." English Drug Company.

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HIGH CRIMES IN DURHAM.

Engineer Holt Shot to Death on His Engine at Midnight—Another Attempt at 'Harder the Same Hour.

Durham is tonight shrouded in a gloom and mystery of the crime that is the greatest that ever overshadowed this community. Engineer J. A. Holt, generally known as Fred Holt among his friends on the road, one of the best engineers of the Southern road, was found murdered and assassinated at the coal chute, between Durham and East Durham, this morning about 1 o'clock. He was shot from the back and died in about thirty minutes. More than a hundred shot penetrated his body, most of them entering the cavity.

Guilty with this crime is a second one, in which some would be assailed fired into the home of M. Greenberg, in the southern part of the city about an hour after the killing of the engineer. There are some who believe that the two crimes were done by one person, but these are few. Most believe that there are two separate crimes and the fact that both came close together is more of a coincidence than a conspiracy. The crimes have greatly shocked Durham, and every officer of the force has been alert since the news of the shooting.

The fact that within three months there have been five murders here, two now in jail and three at large, also one criminal assault case, in jail, and several other lesser crimes, has made the situation here one of a carnival of crime. The assassin and the attempt to murder a family has made the story one that has stirred all of this section. It has been all the talk today and Durham is in the limelight for a hasty crime that was never anticipated. Every means is now being used to get hold of the guilty party.

Engineer Holt was shot from his back while sitting in the cab with his hand on the throttle. He was preparing to move his train out from the coal chute, where he stopped to get water and coal. The man who did the shooting was seen standing under the chute immediately after the gun was fired and he did not make any great hurry in getting away. He stood around while the conductor and flagman, who were in the cab with the engineer at the time, and Fireman Taylor, who was out getting water for his engine, left the train for fear of being shot, the assassin walked off and disappeared in the darkness. The fireman then unaided the engine and while the conductor held up the head of the dying man, the engine was run down some four or five hundred yards. There help was called and the authorities notified. In a short while the sheriff and several of his deputies and a number of police officers and the coroner were on the job. Since then the men have not eaten nor slept and yet the matter is a mystery. Every possible clue has been followed. But as a matter of fact, there were but few clues to follow. The man was shot from the back, in the dark, assassinated and all his friends say that he did not have an enemy. That makes it all the worse for the officers. Nothing to work on.

Three Condemned in Magistrate's Court and Lynched.
The little town of Tiptonville, Tenn., bordering on Reelfoot Lake, which has been the scene of so many stirring incidents the past month, witnessed the lynching late Tuesday afternoon of three negroes who were arrested that morning for murdering Special Deputy Sheriff Richard Jarruss and fatally wounding John Hall, a deputy sheriff. The negroes are Marshall, Edward and Jim Stineback, brothers. They created a disturbance at a negro religious meeting near Tiptonville Saturday night, and when the two officers attempted to arrest them, a fight ensued in which the negroes came out victorious and made their escape. They were pursued, captured and placed in jail. As a lynching was imminent an unusual course was taken. A magistrate opened court, summoned a jury and after hearing the evidence the prisoners were condemned to death and hung. Governor Patterson ordered a company of militia to Tiptonville as soon as he was advised of the trouble, but the military arrived too late.

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