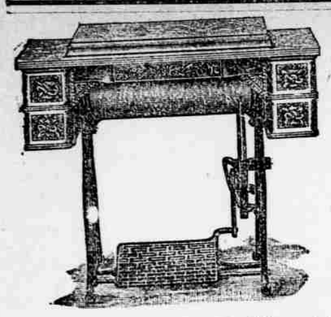

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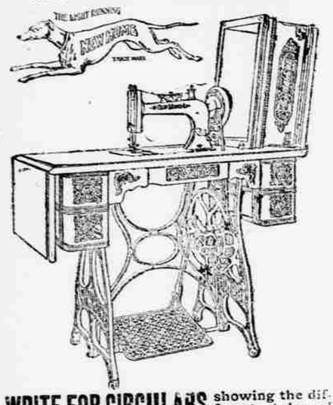

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Northbound.	No.12 Daily	Ves. No. 38 Daily.	No.18 Ex. Sun.	Fst.Mi No. 36 Daily.
Lv. Atlanta, C. T.	7 50 a	12 00 m	4 35 p	11 50 p
" Atlanta, E. T.	8 50 a	1 00 p	5 35 p	12 50 a
" Norcross	9 30 a	.....	6 28 p	1 39 a
" Buford	10 05 a	.....	7 08 p	.....
" Gainesville	10 35 a	2 22 p	7 48 p	2 25 a
" Lula	10 58 a	2 42 p	8 10 p	2 50 a
" Cornelia	11 25 a	3 00 p	8 35 p	.....
Ar. Mt. Airy	11 30 a	.....	8 40 p	.....
Lv. Toccoa	11 53 a	3 30 p	9 05 p	3 42 a
" Westminster	12 31 m	.....	.....	4 20 a
" Seneca	12 52 p	4 15 p	.....	4 37 a
" Central	1 46 p	.....	.....	5 02 a
" Greenville	2 24 p	5 22 p	.....	5 50 a
" Spartanburg	3 37 p	6 13 p	.....	6 45 a
" Gaffneys	4 20 p	6 46 p	.....	7 25 a
" Blacksburg	4 38 p	7 02 p	.....	7 42 a
" King's Mt	5 03 p	.....	.....	8 05 a
" Gastonia	5 25 p	.....	.....	8 23 a
Lv. Charlotte	6 30 p	8 18 p	.....	9 25 a
Ar. Greensboro	9 52 p	10 47 p	.....	12 06 p
Lv. Greensboro	.....	11 45 p	.....	.....
Ar. Norfolk	.....	8 20 a	.....	.....
Ar. Danville	11 25 p	11 58 p	.....	1 22 p
Ar. Richmond	6 00 a	6 00 a	.....	6 25 p
Ar. Washington	.....	6 42 a	.....	9 05 p
" Baltim'e PRR.	.....	8 00 a	.....	11 25 p
" Philadelphia	.....	10 15 a	.....	2 28 a
" New York	.....	12 43 m	.....	6 23 a

Southbound.	Fst. Mi No. 35 Daily.	Ves. No. 37 Daily.	No.11 Daily	
Lv. N. Y., P. R. R.	12 15 a	4 30 p	.....	.....
" Philadelphia	3 50 a	6 55 p	.....	.....
" Baltimore	4 22 a	9 20 p	.....	.....
" Washington	11 15 a	10 45 p	.....	.....
Lv. Richmond	12 01nn	11 00 p	11 00 p	.....
Lv. Danville	6 02 p	5 50 a	6 10 a	.....
Lv. Norfolk	....	8 35 p	.....	.....
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Ar. Charlotte	10 00 p	9 25 a	12 05m	.....
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" Blacksburg	11 31 p	10 45 a	2 03 p	.....
" Gaffneys	11 46 p	10 58 a	2 24 p	.....
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" Greenville	1 25 a	12 30 p	4 30 p	No.17. Ex. Sun.
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" Seneca	2 28 a	1 33 p	5 45 p	.....
" Westminster	.....	.....	6 00 p	.....
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" Cornelia	.....	3 00 p	7 18 p	6 35 a
" Lula	4 08 a	3 18 p	7 38 p	6 57 a
" Gainesville	4 30 a	3 37 p	8 23 p	7 20 a
" Buford	4 56 a	.....	8 40 p	7 48 a
" Norcross	5 25 a	.....	9 15 p	8 27 a
Ar. Atlanta, E. T.	6 10 a	4 55 p	10 00 p	9 30 a
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BRITISH SUFFER AGAIN.

A Considerable Force Ambushed Near Escourt While Reconnoitring.

DISASTER TO AN ARMORED TRAIN.

Many British Soldiers Were Taken Prisoners by the Boers—Lieutenant Churchill Distinguishes Himself—Boers Preparing to Resist the Reinforcements For General White.

LONDON (By Cable).—The War Office has received the following dispatch from General Buller dated at Cape Town:

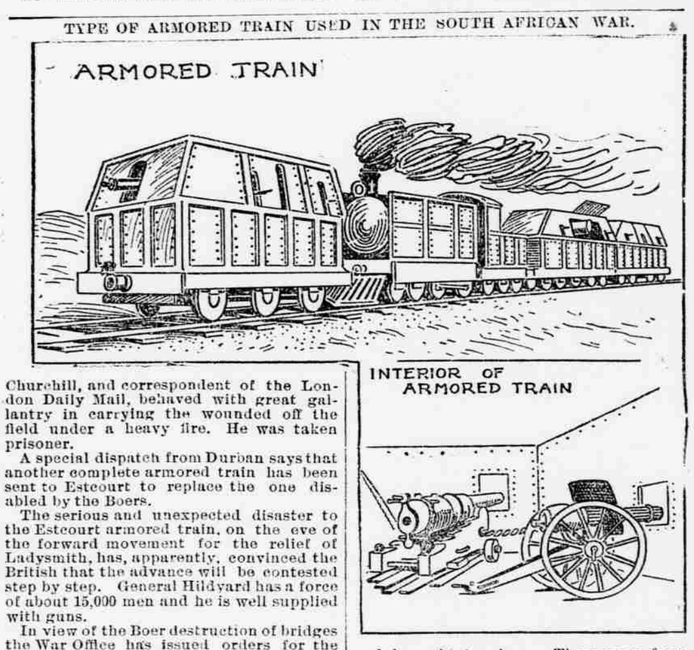
"Have received from Hildyard, Pietermaritzburg, a telegram of which the following is the purport:

"The officer commanding the troops at Estcourt reports at midday that an armored train left Estcourt this morning with a company of the Dublin Fusiliers and a company of the Durban volunteers. North of Frere they encountered a party of Boers and began to withdraw. While retiring some of the trucks were derailed. The Dublins turned out and advanced toward the enemy, while the rest of the train appears to have returned without them to Estcourt."

It appears that the Boers had prepared a clever little trap and the British train seems to have been run with guileless innocence. After they had fallen into the trap the personal bravery of the party on the train was useless in the face of the excellent fire of the Boers, who were able to send to Pretoria another batch of prisoners variously estimated at from fifty to one hundred.

Winston Churchill, son of Lady Randolph Churchill, and correspondent of the London Daily Mail, behaved with great gallantry in carrying the wounded off the field under a heavy fire. He was taken prisoner.

TYPE OF ARMORED TRAIN USED IN THE SOUTH AFRICAN WAR.



A special dispatch from Durban says that another complete armored train has been sent to Estcourt to replace the one disabled by the Boers.

The serious and unexpected disaster to the Estcourt armored train, on the eve of the forward movement for the relief of Ladysmith, has, apparently, convinced the British that the advance will be contested step by step. General Hildyard has a force of about 15,000 men and he is well supplied with guns.

In view of the Boer destruction of bridges the War Office has issued orders for the shipment of a quantity of bridge work between this and the end of the year.

A dispatch from Lorenzo Marques says: "A Pretoria newspaper announced that four thousand burghers had left General Joubert's force around Ladysmith to join Commandant Botha's force near Estcourt, with a view of assisting to intercept the British advance to the relief of Ladysmith.

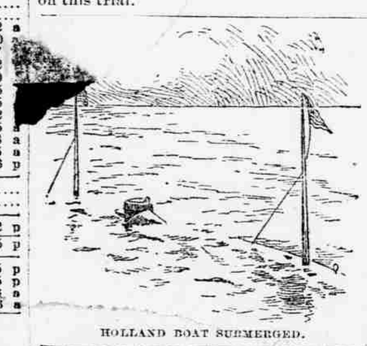
"General Lucas Meyer, the Free State commander, has asserted in the course of an interview, that he is convinced that the battle of Elandslaagte will be the first and last Boer defeat of the war."

There are trustworthy reports of mysterious movements of Free State commanders along the Orange River, and important developments are expected. Everything tends to show that the relief of Kimberley could only be safely undertaken by a strong column.

HOLLAND BOAT SUCCESSFUL.

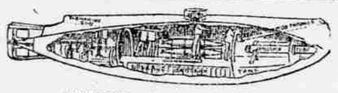
The Board of Inspection Reports That She Fulfilled All Requirements.

WASHINGTON, D. C. (Special).—The report of the Board of Inspection and Survey on the recent official test of the submarine boat Holland in Peconic Bay November 6, has been given out by the Secretary of the Navy. The Board reports that all of the requirements of the Department were fulfilled by the performance of the Holland on this trial.



HOLLAND BOAT SUBMERGED.

Chief Engineer John Lowe, U. S. N., was specially ordered to witness and report upon all the preliminary trials of the Holland, and the final official test. His report has also been given out by the Secretary. Engineer Lowe says:



INTERIOR OF HOLLAND BOAT.

"I report my belief, after full examinations, that the Holland is a successful and veritable submarine torpedo boat, capable of making a veritable attack upon the enemy unseen and undetectable, and that, therefore, she is an engine of warfare of terrible potency which the Government must necessarily adopt into its service."

Anniversary of Brazilian Republic.

Brazil has just celebrated the tenth anniversary of the proclamation of the republic. There was a military parade and a naval review at Rio de Janeiro; the President, Dr. Campos Salles, held a reception of the Diplomatic Corps, and Ministers, etc., and in the evening there were balls and other public entertainments.

Drought in New Orleans.

New Orleans is now suffering from the worst drought it has ever known. Droughts have prevailed there for seven years in succession, but the present is far more serious than its predecessors.

Cycling Notes.

One of every fifty persons in the United States rides the wheel.

The Transvaal campaign is the first in which bicycles have been used by British regulars.

Most remarkable of the season's features is the increase in the number of juvenile wheels in use.

The old policy of storing the bicycle away for the winter months appears to have become almost obsolete.

A strange fact is that where the bicycle has become popular there has been a noticeable decrease in crime.

Eddie McDuffie, the Boston flyer, broke the world's record for half a mile by one and one-fifth seconds in Chicago.

NAVAL OFFICER'S BRAVERY

Over One Hundred Persons Owe Their Lives to Ensign Gherardi.

Plunged to the Rescue in Porto Rico Hurricane, and Now Lies in a Hospital as a Result.

WASHINGTON, D. C. (Special).—The Navy Department has given out a circumstantial account of the conspicuous gallantry of Ensign W. R. Gherardi, in the recent terrific hurricane which swept across Porto Rico. It was forwarded by Captain Snow, commanding the United States naval station in San Juan, who inclosed letters of Lieutenant-Colonel Carr of the Fifth Cavalry and others concerning the daring of the exploit.

Captain Snow also called attention to the fact that the ensign now was in the Naval Hospital in New York, as a result of the exposure and hardship undergone at that time. Ensign Gherardi twice before has been mentioned for conspicuous gallantry.

The statement forwarded to the department shows that, when the storm was at its height, Ensign Gherardi and J. J. Jiminez, a civil engineer, ran along the beach to the point nearest the shipping, which was dragging anchors through the terrific force of the wind. The schooner Conception, loaded with 150 emigrants from San Domingo, and the steamer Vasco were in great distress. Some of the passengers were jumping overboard. The statement goes on as follows:

"Gherardi at once plunged into the water with his clothes on and began dragging the unfortunates from the waves and bringing them to the shore. He ordered those on board to throw a life line to the shore, so as to make fast, but they were so terrorized that they were unable to do anything but jump into the water, where they were taken by Gherardi and Jiminez and brought to shore. There were from four to six people (women and children) who did not dare to jump into the water. They were told to do so, but remained where they were and were undoubtedly lost, as the schooner soon went to pieces.

"Those rescued numbered nearly 150 souls. The steamer Vasco was then battling with the waves, a few hundred yards off. Gherardi called for a life line, and, forming a party of rescuers in a line joining hands extending out into the water, himself at the head, he soon had hold of the line, and, bringing it to the shore, fastened the end securely to a neighboring tree.

"The crew climbed down and along the line and were safely landed."

Ensign Gherardi is a son of Rear-Admiral Gherardi, retired.

LAKE SHORE EXPRESS ROBBERY.

Five Men Break Open a Sealed Car Belonging to the United States Company.

ERIE, Penn. (Special).—Five men entered a United States Express car attached to the Lake Shore Railroad train between Cleveland and Erie. The car was ransacked and nearly every package opened and the contents scattered broadcast. The express officials refuse to discuss the loss, which is placed at $15,000. The men signalled the engineer and left the train at Dock Junction, near the city limits, and have not been caught.

A number of sealskin cloaks were part of the plunder. The robbers are presumed to have jumped the car platform at a station between Cleveland and Erie, where a stop is made. They broke in the door of the car with a brake. Railroad men here think the robbers were not tramps, because of the care used in examing packages.

PANAMA KNOCKING AT OUR DOOR

The Isthmian State Wants to Be Annexed to the United States.

WASHINGTON, D. C. (Special).—An application for annexation to the United States has been made to this Government by the State of Panama, one of the political subdivisions of the United States of Colombia.

The State of Panama has refused to recognize the authority of the Colombian Government, and there has been much internal trouble on that account. So far, however, the State has not been able to establish an independent government, and as it has no sovereign rights the United States cannot regard the application.

Lynched a White Man.

William Huff, a white man in jail at Bloomfield, Mo., charged with the murder of Andrew Melton, was lynched a few days ago. A mob of 100 men gathered at the jail, broke the doors in with sledge hammers, took Huff from his cell and hanged him, riddling his body with bullets as it swung from the limb of a tree.

Football Player Killed.

John Allen, of Marion Mass., the medical student injured while playing football on the Christian Brothers' College eleven, died at St. Louis, Mo. He never regained consciusness after receiving his injuries.

Meteor Bores a Hole in Iowa.

A large meteor fell in the woods just east of Webster City, Iowa. It made a hole about five feet square and was still seething and steaming so that its full size could not be determined. People in the vicinity say it made a loud roaring noise when descending.

The Patria Burned at Sea.

The Hamburg-American liner Patria a few days ago was discovered to be burning. She was then off the North Hinder Lightship, in the English Channel. The passengers were called on deck and were taken off by the Russian steamship Ceres and landed at Dover.

Boer-British War Notes.

The British wounded at Cape Town are doing well.

The British claim to have saved all their stores when Colenso was evacuated.

The military authorities at Durban have seized 500 tons of foodstuffs consigned to the Transvaal.

Emperor William has given orders that no Prussian officer will be allowed leave to fight for the Boers.

The Dublin Fusiliers have been served with new kits, as they lost everything in the retreat from Dundee.

Dr. Leyds, the Transvaal's agent in Europe, denies the report that Catholics are not allowed to hold office under the republic.

THE NEWS EPITOMIZED.

Washington Items.

Testimony showing the Tin Trust increased prices and closed mills was heard by the Industrial Commission.

Controller Dawes, in a report just made public, shows that bank deposits have nearly doubled in the United States, while loans have not kept pace. Interest rates, he shows, have gradually declined.

The battleship Indiana, Captain F. W. Dickins commanding, has been ordered into reserve at the League Island Navy Yard. Most of her crew will be detached, but the vessel will have enough caretakers on board to keep her in condition for immediate service.

It is probable that the Navy Department will ask for an appropriation to equip some war ships with the Marconi wireless telegraphy instruments.

Admiral Schley made his final call at the Navy Department before assuming command of the South Atlantic Squadron.

Commander Hemphill, of the Detroit, notified the Navy Department that the cruiser had reached La Guayra from Puerto Cabello.

A message was sent to Aguinaldo by President McKinley, asking humane treatment for Spanish prisoners.

The Guatemalan Minister, Lazo Arriaga, took the initial steps looking to a parcels post convention between the United States and Guatemala.

A pension of $15 per month was granted by Commissioner Evans to Adelaide W. Bagley, mother of Lieutenant Worth Bagley, who was killed in the war with Spain.

Our Adopted Islands.

Lieutenant Johnston, with M. Troop, of the Third Cavalry, captured at St. Nicolas, in the Philippines, twelve barrels containing the wardrobe of Aguinaldo's wife, some personal effects, the records of the Secretary of War and much commissary and medical supplies.

General Young, with his cavalry, is dispersing the insurgent forces in the low country near Manila.

The social season in Havana officially began with the opera. Governor-General Brooke and a large number of persons prominent in official and civic circles were present.

The Hawaiian school system is described in the annual report of the Commissioner of Education as remarkable for its completeness, and, out of a total population of 109,020 in 1896, the school enrollment was 14,522.

Three Americans were sentenced in Havana, Cuba, for refusing to cater to colored persons.

The rebels are again becoming active in the vicinity of Manila.

Governor-General Brooke issued a proclamation for the observance of Thanksgiving Day in Cuba.

Secretary of Finance Desbernine intends to submit to Governor-General Brooke a proposal to construct twenty small gunboats for Cuban coast guard service at a cost of $500,000.

Two cases of smallpox were discovered in a Spanish steamer landing at San Juan de Porto Rico.

Domestic.

The publishing firm of Harper & Brothers has been reorganized, with George B. M. Harvey, editor and proprietor of the North American Review, as President.

Dr. Thomas E. James, of Greenville, and his son, Wade Hampton James, were killed near Six Mile Church, S. C., by Sam Lanier, a farmer, who had heard that the Jameses were driving away with his wife. Sam Lanier surrendered to the Sheriff. It is believed he will not be punished.

Representative Evan E. Settle, Democrat, of the Seventh Kentucky District, died suddenly at Owenton of heart disease. Evan E. Settle, who defeated Colonel W. C. P. Breckinridge for Congress, was a silver Democrat and a lawyer.

The Call, of San Francisco, says the number of shares of Southern Pacific Railway stock sold by Mrs. Stanford to the Huntington-Speyer syndicate was 283,000, for $11,320,000, and that Mrs. Stanford has already transferred $11,000,000 to the endowment fund of the Leland Stanford, Jr., University.

Two desperate military prisoners named Morgan and Jamison disarmed the sergeant in charge of the military prison at Fort Crook, Neb., just before dark and started on a run to escape. The sergeant recovered himself and at a range of 500 yards shot and killed Morgan. The other man escaped.

It is feared that the Government stores of winter clothing consigned to the two companies of military at Fort Gibbon (Weare on the Yukon) will not reach the troops this winter, in which case the men will suffer severely. It is believed the goods reached St. Michael too late to be sent up the river.

It is learned at San Francisco, Cal., that during the typhoon encountered by the transport Siam, on the way to Manila, 350 horses were killed by being stampeded, and that their dead bodies could not be thrown overboard for four days.

Alonzo J. Whiteman and three of the gang of five men said to be the cleverest bank swindlers in the country, are under arrest in New York City, while the other member of the quintet has been caught in Pittsburg.

The Municipal Assembly of Greater New York met in joint session and adopted the budget for 1900, $90,778,972.48, the amount to be raised by taxation being $80,000,000.

Four zinc-lined trunks, such as are used by traveling men to carry samples, each containing a dead body, were taken from the baggage room at Union Station at St. Louis, Mo., and Frank Thompson, a brother of E. D. Thompson, city undertaker of Memphis, Tenn., is under arrest.

W. F. Bell, Assistant Postmaster at Exemor, Va., was arrested by Inspector Maxwell for issuing bogus money orders to the amount of $1400 to defray his personal expenses. Former Postmaster J. A. Smith was placed in charge of the office.

Foreign.

The German Emperor has granted the Silesian estates of the late Duke Louis of Sagan-Valencay in fief to the French Duc de Talleyrand-Perigord.

The rumors of an approaching conflict between Japan and Russia find no corroboration among Japanese officials. The idea of a collision is discredited in diplomatic circles in Paris.

The French Chamber of Deputies voted, 340 to 215, confidence in the Government in its conduct of the High Court trials.

Advices from Cartagena say that everything is quiet in the Department of Bolivar, Colombia. The revolt in that State has been suppressed.

General Paredes, the revolutionary leader who was in command at Puerto Cabello when it was captured by the forces of the present Government, has been taken to Caracas, Venezuela, a prisoner.

Count von Bulow will not make a Samoan statement in the Reichstag until the United States has formally notified Germany of its consent to the agreement entered into between Great Britain and Germany.

Admiral Courrejolles cables from Kwang-Chow-Wang that two of his officers at Montao have been murdered by Chinese. The French Admiral then seized the Prefect of the province of Hainan and his gunboat.

At the opening of the Italian Parliament King Humbert urged an early consideration of the budget.

The new Government of President Jimenez and Vice-President Vasquez, of San Domingo, was inaugurated.

The announcement is formally made in London that no foreign government dispatches, either in secret code or cipher can be transmitted via the Cape except messages between Portugal and the Governor-General of Lorenzo Marques.

Steamers from the Mediterranean are held in quarantine at Trieste owing to the prevalence of the plague.

There is disquieting news in regard to the Khalifa's movements in the Soudan. The Sirdar has left Cairo.

A violent shock of earthquake was felt at Leghorn, Italy, causing a great panic among the population.

General Sir Charles Warren has been appointed Chief of the Fifth Infantry Division ordered to Cape Colony. He has seen considerable service in South Africa.

GENERAL A. D. COWLES DEAD.

Well Known North Carolinian Passes Away Suddenly.

Gen Andrew D Cowles Dead

General Andrew D. Cowles, late Adjutant General of the State Guard, died at his residence in Statesville.

The news of the death of General Cowles occasioned surprise and regret. It had not been generally known that he was ill.

General Cowles organized the three volunteer regiments from this State during the Spanish-American war. After his appointment as lietenant-colonel of the Second North Carolina Volunteer Regiment he had the misfortune to break a leg while riding into the city of Raleigh on Hillsboro street. He had a suit pending against the Raleigh Street Railway Company for $15,000 damages, claiming that the accident with which he held the street car company responsible, deprived him of an appointment as brigadier general in the volunteer service.

Gen. Cowles was apointed Adjutant General of the State Guard February 10, 1897, by Governor Russell. He was made brigadier general of the State Guard December 1, 1897. On April 27, 1898, he was made lieutenant-colonel of the Second Regiment, and after that regiment was mustered out he was appointed captain of Company I, from Durham, First North Carolina Volunteer Regiment. Captain Cowles went with the regiment to Cuba.

The deceased was a native of Yadkin county. He married a daughter of Dr. J. J. Mott, who died several years ago, leaving two children. His uncle, Calvin J. Cowles, was president of the constitutional convention in 1868, and Col. W. H. H. Cowles, another uncle was a member of Congress from the Eighth district for three terms.

Protected Their Home.

A young white man named Johnson in Wake county, was whipped in a fight by John Butler, also white. The latter told Johnson that he would go Friday night to his house and whip his entire family. Butler and three companions, Lowery, Warren and Bridges, went to Johnson's house. Johnson's father fired at Butler and the four left, but at midnight returned and burst in a door. Johnson's brother shot Lowery in the arm. Old man Johnson seized an axe and went in to kill the intruders. He gave Lowery a deep and dangerous wound in the chest and cut both arms. Lowery fell and begged for mercy. The old man found Warren was beating one of his sons. He gave Warren two axe wounds in the Back. Bridges and Butler were trying to kill Johnson's eldest son, but the appeals for help by Warren and Lowery caused them to desist.

State News Notes.

M. Muller, a hydraulic engineer, who is making a survey of the water powers of the Catawba river, has been making his headquarters in Morganton for the past week. He began his survey near Catawba station and has reached the "Double Shoals" in this county. He says he has been employed by a Northern cotton mill syndicate of large captal to report on the water powers of this section, and that they expect to build a number of cotton mills. He has found a number of fine water powers, and finds 800 horse power at the McDowell-Garrison shoal, half a mile from Morganton. This power is now being developed by the owners.

Some persons are saying that ex-Senator Ransom will be an aspirant for the senatorial nomination.

North Wilkesboro has voted for the issue of bonds to put in an electric plant.

Alexander F. Sanders has been appointed postmaster at Biscoe and Sarah A. Snow at Good Spring.

A mica mine, which we are informed is turning out a good quality of glass in paying quantities, is being operated on the Toxaway company's boundary.

Prof. J. C. Leonard, who has been to Pennsylvania and Ohio soliciting funds to build an addition to the college at Newton has raised $5,000 for that purpose.

At Balfour Station, the Balfour Quarry company have begun the erection of a large stone building beside the railroad track, in which to carry on a large merchandising business.

Sales of gold mining property in the Johns River gold fields in Burke and Caldwell counties within the past two weeks aggregate about $15,000. Besides the sales already completed, a number of tracts are held under option.—Shelby Aurora.

W. E. Smith, an energetic and prosperous young farmer in Halifax county, has realized a very large yield from his peanut crop. He realized 630 bushels of Spanish peanuts on eight acres. The land had been cultivated in cotton fifty-five years consecutively before this year's peanut crop.

Mr. Moses H. Cone, of Blowing Rock, is, we are informed, preparing a lot of Watauga apples for the Paris exposition. The fruit is being carefully picked; will be shipped to New York and put in cold storage until spring, when it will be exported to France. We are told that the collection embraces many of our finest varietites, and this will doubtless be quite an advertisement for our mountain section.

Estelle Hall, the two-year-old daughter of Dr. Hall, of Prospect Hill, is believed to be the only person in these parts who has six living grandmothers and four living grandfathers—two grandmothers, two great grandmothers, and two great-great grandmothers, two grandfathers and two great grandfathers. That is something that not many children can boast of. All of her living ancestors are enjoying good health.—Durham cor. Raleigh Post.

THE NOVEMBER BULLETIN.

An Interesting Number—Dr. Kilgo On Cotton Seed.

The bulletin of the Agricultural Department for November, which will be issued in a few days, will be found to contain much matter of value.

There is a special article by Dr. B. W. Kilgo, State chemist, upon the important subject, "Cotton Seed—What Shall we do with Them?" The subject is thoroughly discussed in all its stud brai shrdlu shrdlu hrdlu shrdlu phases and deserves to be carefully studied by every cotton planter in the State, and put by for future reference.

Dr. Cooper Curtice, State veterinarian, presents additional valuable advice and information concerning the treatment of cows—blooded cows—and upon the quarantine of cattle. These are timely and will be read with interest.

The "French Coach Horse" is discussed at length, and the bulletin says "ought to serve to stimulate improvement in our breed of horses."

Fort Caswell Damaged.

It is learned that the damage to Fort Caswell, at the mouth of the Cape Fear river, by the hurricane of October 31st, is so serious that the government will have to spend $250,000 to restore the work and to provide protection against further storms. The damage is estimated at $500,000. A breakwater will have to be constructed around almost the entire island. This it is estimated will cost $200,000.

State News Notes.

The New York Financial Review says: "The decision of the supreme court of North Carolina to the effect that State Treasurer Worth was right in refusing to pay out of the $110,000 realized by a bond issue the penitentiary debts justifies the stand taken by the official, which was at the time declared by the lawyers to be based on solid legal ground. Treasurer Worth contended that these debts should be paid from the annual appropriation and not from the bond issue. This is not the only case where his firmness has proven to be dictated by good sense. In many of his official acts he has evinced a clear understanding of his rights and duties, and has been upheld by public opinion and by the bench. He is among the most efficient and painstaking public servants of the State, and he has during his incumbency made a record of which he may properly feel proud."

The survey of the route for the Raleigh and Eastern Railway is still in progress. One route was surveyed last week to a point twenty-four miles from the city, and the surveyors are now on their way back over a different route. Three routes in all will be surveyed. It has developed in making the survey that there are much larger quantities of timber along the route than were at first supposed, while the agricultural resources of that section are very great. The promoters of the road are much encouraged by the outlook for business and declare that the road will certainly be built.

It is the intention of the Dukes to resume work on the Cape Fear and Northern Railroad at an early date, it is said. It will be built on to Fayetteville, making it about fifty miles long. Already 21 miles of the road is in operation and it is paying handsomely. From nine to thirteen cars of lumber are daily delivered over it, to the Seaboard Air Line at Apex, besides other freight. The road has one engine, two passenger cars and some twenty cars and flats. The road is in very fine condition, possibly the best new road in the State, and as it stands represents an outlay of $100,000.

The Virginia Iron, Coal and Coke company have suspended operations at Tomotia until they can put in a hydraulic washing plant to clean the iron ore.—Cherokee Scout.

Jim Fewell, colored, who is employed in the beef market of S. P. Goforth of King's Mountain, shot and killed Sam Moore, colored, who worked in the livery stable of Plonk & Ware, last Saturday night.

The Secretary of State incorporates the Elizabeth City Knitting Mills. The incorporators are D. B. Bradford, J. B. Blades, J. B. Flora, W. C. Glover, Dr. W. J. Lumsden, Oscar McMullen, F. M. Grill, R. B. Martin, T. B. Nash, W. T. Old, A. L. Pendleton, C. H. Robinson, J. L. Sawyer, G. M. Scott, W. J. Woodley, J. H. White, and P. H. Williams. The capital stock is to be not less than $20,000, and may be increased to $300,000. The incorporation has the power to spin, knit, and weave all fabrics of cotton or wool.

The citizens of Hookerton held a public meeting and appointed a committee to confer with the A. & N. C. railroad to try to secure a branch road from Kinston to Snow Hill in Hookerton.

Practically all the cotton in this State is now picked. There is a little about and only on low lands, but it is damaged by rain and wind, stained and bletched and counts for little. The oldest cotton grower never saw the crop gathered so rapidly.

There are more than four hundred and fifty cases on the docket of the United States district court at Raleigh, and there remains two weeks more for reports from commissioners. The counterfeiting case against Lawyer A. J. Marshall, of Wilmington, will come up if witnesses are ready.

The report of the Fourth Assistant Postmaster General, just made public contains the following of local interest: "Number of appointments of presidential postmasters during the year—North Carolina, 2. Number of fourth class appointments—North Carolina 503." The report shows that in North Carolina the number of postoffices is 3,002, the State ranking fifth in this respect and the gross North Carolina receipts during the year were $788,121.67.

Tuesday night Judge Purnell removed J. B. Fortune as clerk of the United States district court and H. L. Grant arrived to take charge.

RAM'S HORN BLASTS.

THE first [illegible] you see in [illegible] water, is the [illegible]

The world [illegible] spending the [illegible] ter of life [illegible] leeting amus[illegible] forgetting the [illegible] summer coming.

Love comes [illegible] to conscience. The world [illegible] er has no [illegible] the steady light.

Care-not is a greater hinderer of success than cannot.

The Christian hearthstone is essential in the foundation of the public.

Most men begin to save after they have spent all.

Christians are like eggs, they are no medium ones.

Self-forgetfulness is only [illegible] by remembering others.

The world is a vessel in which the fire is already burning.

God's first act after the [illegible] was the organization of a home.

Many public professions are [illegible] nal over-issues of religious [illegible]

When there is a fire in the [illegible] the people will gather about the hearth.

When a man shows his goods [illegible] his home, the chances are that [illegible] ness has its home in him.

The fulness of salvation comes only when Christ takes out [illegible] faults and puts in new forces.

When the Lord listens for [illegible] of his workshop. He too often hears but a symphony of snores from [illegible] droning churches.

INDIGO INDUSTRY MENACED

Cannot Compete with Dyes Produced by Modern Chemistry.

The great indigo industry [illegible] which gives employment to [illegible] of thousands of families in one [illegible] most populous districts in India, is threatened with [illegible] Twenty-five millions of dollars are invested in it, and the [illegible] promises to assume the proportions [illegible] a public calamity. The planters, who own the lands and [illegible] mainly at their own risk, about [illegible] five years ago formed an association [illegible] concert with the government [illegible] established almost ideal relations [illegible] tween the landowners, the [illegible] and the factories, and has [illegible] ever since an uncommon share [illegible] and prosperity. Now it is threatened with ruin because of the [illegible] of the cheap aniline dyes produced [illegible] modern chemistry. For many [illegible] the Behar indigo held its own [illegible] tue of its superiority in color [illegible] manence to the artificial product [illegible] it is now claimed that a [illegible] indigo has been chemically [illegible] As far back as 1881 Prof. [illegible] showed how to build up indigo [illegible] tically from its components [illegible] after years of costly experiments [illegible] not found possible to make [illegible] comercially by his method [illegible] however, Prof. Herzman [illegible] carried the research a step [illegible] and finally, in 1897, artificial [illegible] was bought upon the market [illegible] capable of competing with the [illegible] article. The manufacture [illegible] been taken up by the large [illegible] works in the world, and the [illegible] Behar find themselves powerless [illegible] contend against an article [illegible] equal to and cheaper than [illegible] and independent of transportation.

He Gave His Consent.

It was at a society wedding [illegible] clergyman after proclaiming the [illegible] of matrimony between the [illegible] ple concluded by saying "[illegible] any objections they can now [illegible]

A fashionable youth, an [illegible] of the intended bride, [illegible] of a portion of the congregation [illegible] upon him, rose up and [illegible] have no objections for my [illegible] and then quietly resumed his [illegible] he had attended to a mere [illegible]

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