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#### NOTICE!

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### GENERAL NEWS.

Matters of Interest Condensed Into Brief Paragraphs.

The latest government crop report estimates the cotton crop at 10,000,000

The total receipts of the postal department the past year were \$102,000,000; expenses \$107,000,000; deficit \$5,000,

A special dispatch from the Haguesays that it is reported that Mr. Kruger is seeking to obtain a conference with Lord The plant of the Cleveland and Canton

Bridge Co., at Canton, O., was burned Monday morning. Loss \$50,000, covered by insurance, It is now reported that the Roumanian government has troken off the negotia-tions with the Standard Oil company for

a lease of the petroleum fields. The fire losses in this country this far for 1900, footup \$151,941,550, compared with \$123,512,550 for the same period in 1899, and \$106,938,400 for 1898.

The federal court in a jury trial at Des Moines, Ia., ruled that debts on "option deals" on the Chicago board of trade, are gambling debts and son-collectable.

J. L. H. Irby, ex-senator from South Carolina, died at his home at Laurens Monday, of Bright's disease. He served in the U.S. senate from 1890 to 1896.

The secretary of the interior says he will want \$142,000,000 for pensions this year, \$4,000,000 more than last year. Next year there will be more needed, and the Philippines will add millions more.

A fire at the arsenal in Cherbourg,

A French scientist is said to have made an improvement on "burning the wind." He has invented an apparatus for "de-composing the air" so that we can burn it and heat and light up without coal or

During a severe gale on Lake Erie early Monday morning an iron ore barge, in tow of the Iron Duke, went to the bottom with eight people on board, the tow line parting as she went down. The barge was valued at \$19,000.

A wind storm Sunday night demolished the new building, 200 by 70 feet, of the Maryland Automobile Works, at West-ernport, Md: The brick work had just been completed. Contractor John W. George, of Cumberland, carried tornado insurance.

Emperor William will send a special envoy shortly to make a tour of notable American stock farms, with the view to purchasing saddle and carriage horses for the imperial stables. Hitherto the court has purchased exclusively in Hungary and England.

Charles Byce, a well known young man, was killed by Cliff Harnesberger, at Thomaston, Ga., Monday, being shot twice in the chest. Harnsberger, in the fight, which is said to have been caused by a dispute over 50 cents, was seriously cut. A coroner's jury brought in a ver-dict of justifiable homicide.

It is announced that the first shipment of negroes from the south to Monrovia, Africa, will leave Birmingham Jan. 30 for Savannah, from which point they will sail. The colonists to under the auspices of the Liberian Colonization company. There will be 250 negroes in this ship-ment. Another lot will go within six or eight months.

Mr. Kruger's non-reception at Berlin and the reasons leading thereto will be made the subject of an interpellation in the reichstag this week. Die Nation contains an article by Prof. Theodore Mommsen, who approves of Em-peror William not receiving the Boer statesman as being more dignified and more just than if he had received him and then confessed his powerlessness to overt the South African tragedy.

The residence of T. J. Thomas, near Cluttsville, Ala., was wrecked Friday by dynamite. The crime is believed to have been the work of "white caps." Thomas who is a single man of about 40, it is alleged, had as occupants of his house seven women. He had been repeatedly asked to send the inmates of his house away and had recently received warnings from a so-called white cap committee. One of the women was badly wounded in the explosion.

The 100th anniversary of the removal of the nation's seat of government from Philadelphia to Washington, in 1800, is to be celebrated in the latter city Wednesday, Dec. 12th. The exercises will take place in the house of representatives, and will be attended by the president and his cabinet, all members of the supreme court and congress, Vice President-elect Roosevelt and the ex-vice presidents, a number of governors and others. The two ex-presidents, for some reason, do not after on the programme. The 100th anniversary of the removal two ex-presidents, for som not appear on the programs

If you would have an appetite like a pear and a relish for your meals take hamberlain's Stomach and Liver Tabets. They correct disorders of the stomach and regulate the liver and bowels: Price, 25 cents. Samples free, at J. E. Queen Street, - KINSTON, N. C. Hood's drug store.

#### INCENSED AT CHAFFEE.

The American General Offends Waldersee and Envoys. McKinley in the Negotiations. Russian Paper Says Oredit for Breaking The Deadlock at Pekin Properly Belongs to America

London, Dec. 10.—"Gen. Chaffee wrote a letter to Count von Waldersee," says the Pekin correspondent of The Morning Post, "complaining of the removal by French and German troops of astronomical instruments from the wall of Pekin, but the letter was returned to him on account of its tone. Gen. Chaffee has notified the foreign envoys that all persons are prohibited passing the American guard on entering the south gate of the palace, owing to the frequent cases of

looting. The ministers are offended at this individual assumption of authority.

"Yung Lu, who is now acting as the adviser of the Chinese court enjoys the favor of the empress downger, and is forming regiments which may be trusted to defend the court.

"I am informed that the execution of Yu Hsian is certain whenever the envoys demand it."

St. Petersburg, Dec. 9.—The Novoe Vremya, in an article evident y inspired, referring to the recent dispatch from Dr. Morrison, in Pekin, to the London Times, saying that all the credit for securing softened terms is given by the Chinese to the Russians, remarks:

"The gradit for the evisting enterter."

"The credit for the existing entente really belongs to America. England begrudges President McKinley his just pres-tige because he emphasized America's friendship for Russia.

The Russian journal regards the alter ations which America has procured in the peace preliminaries as of the greatest

Only Satow's Signature Lacking. Pekin, Dec. 9 .- All the foreign envoys except Sir Ernest Mason Satow, the British minister, have received instructions from their governments agreeing to the joint note proposed at the last meeting. Another meeting will probably be called for Tuesday next. Should the British minister have received his instructions to sign the joint note by that time, commu-nications will be immediately opened with Prince Ching and Li Hung Chang, who are in daily touch with the court by

the Chinese telegraph.

Prince Ching says Emperor Kwang Su is ready to return as soon as assured that the negotiations will allow him to come under conditions consonant with

his dignity and safety.

The removal of Gen, Tung Fu Hsiang from the command of the Chinese forces urrounding the court is considered by the foreign envoys to be a very import ant step, as showing the real desire of the government to come to terms. His banishment indicates that the court recognizes the expediency of obeying the demands of the powers.

#### PORTUGAL AND ENGLAND.

Toasts Drunk to the Indissoluble Alliance. The Queen to King

Lisbon, Dec. 9.—King Carlos has re-ceived from Queen Victoria the following telegram in response to the one sent by his majesty yesterday:

"I am greatly touched by your kind telegram. I sincerely thank you, my dear nephew, for it, and for the good wishes you entertain for me and my people. It is again with the greatest pleasure that I recognize the cordial and friendly understanding between Portugal and Eug-

After cordial farewells to the Portugese officials and an exchange of salutes the Bristish squadron sailed this noon.

At Saturday's banquet on board the British battleship Majestic, when King Carlos, Queen Marie Amalie and Prince Louis Philippe, together with the mem-bers of the cabinet and other dignitaries. were entertained by Vice Admiral Sir Herry Holdsworth Rawson, toasts were drunk to the indissoluble alliance between Portugal and Great Britain.

#### CAPT. MANNING DEAD.

Prominent Citizen of Wilmington Passes Away.

Wilmington, Dec. 9.—Capt. Ed. Wilson Manning, who was engineer on the United States screw ship of war Wabash and and shipmate of Admiral Dewey on that vessel, died here today at the age of 67. When the war between the states be-gan Capt. Manning joined the Confedergan capt. Manning joined the Comederate navy and was on the converted ship Virginia (formerly the Merrimac), when she sank the frigates Cumberland and Congress in Hampton Roads.

For years after the war he had been in the insurance business here and conducted the Atlantic View Hotel, the well known support resort at Wrightaville.

known summer resort at Wrightsville.

A negro named George Sanders, from Duplin county, was drowned in Stoney Creek, near Rocky Point, last week.

A piece of fiannel dampened with Chamberlain's Pain Balm and bound to the affected parts is superior to any plaster. When troubled with lame back or pains in the side or chest, give it a trial and you are certain to be more than pleased with the prompt relief which it affords. Pain Balm also cures rheumatism. One application gives relief. For sale by J. E. Hood, druggist.

#### Conference Appointments Newbern District. Newbern district-F. D. Swindell, pre-

ding elder. Newbern-Centenary, R. F. Bumpass

Goldsboro-St. Paul, M. Bradshaw; St. John, J. J Barker; Goldsboro circuit, E. R. Welch.

Mt. Olive and Faison-A. R. Raven, Mt. Olive circuit, supplied by J. N. Car-

LaGrange circuit—J. M. Benson. Snow Hill circuit—E. Pope. Kinston station and mission-D. H Futtle and one to be supplied. Grifton circuit-J. M. Lowder.

Jones circuit—D. C. Geddie Craven circuit-C. O. DuRant. Pamlico circuit-Supplied by W. A

Oriental—J. L. Rumley. Carteret circuit—J. H. M. Giles. Morehead City—H. M. North. Beaufort-J. A. Hornaday. Straits-J. E. Bristowe, Core Sound Mission-Supplied by C. P.

THE AMERICAN TOBACCOCO.'S WORK.

Trying to "Freeze Out" The Wells-Whitehead Company of Wilson.

Wilson, N. C., Dec. 8 .- The effort of the American tobacco trest to destroy the business of the Wells-Whitehead company of this place is watched by our people with great interest. Less than a year ago this company was organized and the manufacture and sale of "Carolina Brights" cigarettes begun. The company was organized with a capital stock of \$10 000, but in a short time the business grew to such importance that the capital stock was increased to \$30,000 . "Carolina Brights" became so popular that they are now sold as fast as the present capacity of the company permits their manufacture-and their market is confined to no particular locality. The growing popularity of these cigarettes has caused the American tobacco trust to fear competition from this source, and the agents of this outlaw of commerce have put their engines of destruction to work to destroy this company. The streets are strewn with advertisements offering all sorts of inducements to people to smoke the cigarettes made by the trust; there is no device of oppression that can be conceived of (and the agents of the trust have great experience in this kind of business) that will not be put into operation to crush out any independent business that stands in the way of

tering wedge that may burst the trust. God grant that it, may, for we have suffered enough at the hands of these "brigands of commerce," and the people owe it to themselves to foster and encourage every independent enterprise that promises to block the onward march of monopoly.

#### SELLING THE CROP NEWS.

Government Cotton Report Offered to New York Brokers in Ad-

New York, Dec. 9 .- A story to the effect that the government cotton crop report, which will be made public tomorrow, had been offered to certain cotton brokers in this city in advance, received corroboration today. Frank B. Guest, head of a cotton commission house, said tonight that advance information was offered to him on Saturday. He immediately notified President Hub-

bard, of the cotton exchange. The latter asked for a detailed statement, which was given, and this is to be used as a basis for the official investigation. President Hubbard said tonight that he would go to Washington without delay and place the entire matter before the proper authorities.

The United States Pitted Against Europe.

Berlin, Dec. 9.-The National Zeitung devotes its first page today to a carefully prepared editorial dealing with the United States as a world power. After pointing out the enormous progress, economically and politically, of America in the world's affairs, the editorial declares that in both respects the United clares that in both respects the United States is arrayed against Europe.

### Any Children?

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Interesting North Carolina Itema In Condensed Form

A special from Rocky Point says that Mr. C. J. Miller recently caught a young deer in his steel trap set in his lettuce beds. Mr. Miller is taming the doe.

The stables and barn of M. J. Battle, near Whitakers, in Edgecombe county, were burned last week Wm. Garrett, a negro, has been arrested, charged with setting the fire.

The State has chartered the Heath Hardware Co., of Monroe, capital \$60,-000, W. C. Heath and others stockholders. It will manufacture hard ware, machinery, electrical and telephone supplies, etc.

Gen. Julian S. Carr will call a convention of ex-Confederate Veterans, to be held at Raleigh in February, at which the legislature will be memorialized to increase the appropriations for the Soldiers'
Home and for pensions.

Durham Herald: Many towns in the State are considering the matter of putting in water works, sewerage and other improvements, and in every case no other plan is thought of but municipal ownership. The town that does this can make no mistake.

A Mormon conference will be held in Goldsboro on Wednesday, Dec. 19, 1900. Besides the thirty traveling elders, President Ben E. Rich, of Chattanooga, will be present. Three meetings will be held to which the public is invited. The first commences at 10 o'clock in the morning.

The Baptist convention at Raleigh adopted a resolution to erect a monument at the head of the grave of Dr. Columbus Durham in Oakwood cemetery in Raleigh, and J. C. Caddell, Noah Biggs, J. W. Bailey, C. E. Taylor and C. B. Jus-tice were appointed a committee to receive contributions to this object.

Durham Herald: News reached the city yesterday of the loss by fire of the home of Miss Minnie Jenkius in Burlington. The fire occurred late in the night Mon-day. The residence of Miss Jenkins was but recently completed and cost somewhere in the neighborhood of \$2,000. No one had moved into the building and for that reason it is supposed it was of incendiary origin.

Carthage Blade: Capt. W. B. Phillips, who lives on 'Tyson's Creek, near the Chatham line, a few nights ago had his dwelling and kitchen burned and all their this monepoly.

The people are determined that this trust shall not crush out this independent company, for they see that this is an entermined that the ent ago there was an epidemic of burning in that same community.

> Winston Sentinel: At last February term of Guilford superior court J. H. Clark, a farmer of that county, was granted an absolute divorce from his wife on the grounds of desertion. It developed later that he was living with his wife at the time, and a few weeks ago she had bim indicted for perjury. The case came up in court and the attorneys for the defendant entered a plea of nolo contendere. Judge Hoke then dismissed the case, dissolved the divorce previously granted and required Clark to give bond for the support of his wife.

> There are 280 students at the Raleigh Agricultural and Mechanical College. There is much need of accommodations and more students apply than can be received. Ninety-three are self-support-ing. The Raleigh Post gives the distri-bution as follows: "One hundred and twenty-one sons of farmers, twentyseven of merchants, thirteen of manufacturers, twelve of lawyers, twelve of physicians, six of ministers, six of bookkeepers, five lumbermen, three printers, three clerks, three traveling salesmen, three millers, three mechanics, three machinists, three cotton brokers, two building contractors, two engineers. Durham Herald: The Wilson News

> calls on the people of that town for more liberal support and infimates what may happen if it does not get it. The News is a live local paper and is a credit to the town in which it is published, but we believe its editor is on the wrong tack when he talks hard times. If the people of the town do not appreciate a daily paper to the extent of giving it support sufficient to enable it to live, we believe it useless to argue the matter with them. The newspaper of today is a business institution, having very little sentiment about it, and whenever we cannot make both ends meet and do not see better prospects ahead, right there we quit.

> F. H. Busbee, of Raleigh, reports a strange and sensational trial in Beaufort court last week. In the North Carolina supreme court reports there is the cause of a man named Brooks, tried for rape it being in evidence that he personate the woman's husband. The court held that it was not rape; that fraud was not rape. The legislature in 1881, accordingly, enacted a law to meet such cases. Up to that time such a case had never been tried in the State and some thought there would never be another. The legislative act made the offense rape and fixed the minimum penalty at ten years in the penitentiary. Chas. William was last week tried for the same offense and convicted. He attempted to prove knewledge of the woman's part, but the latter's evidence promptly convicted him.