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## GENERAL NEWS.

Matters of Interest Condensed into Brief Paragraphs.

The house committee on rivers and harbors have completed their bill. The bill appropriates \$60,000,000.

Lewis, the negro who killed the marshal of Gulf Port, Miss., was run down with bloodhounds and lynched.

Congressman R. A. Wise, of the Second Virginia district, died at Williamsburg, Va., Friday. He was a Republican.

Lewis A. May & Co., members of the consolidated and the produce exchange of New York, have made an assignment.

There is great excitement in Paris over the arrest of Maj. Cuigneta for alleged breaches of discipline in connection with Dreyfus.

The situation in the Pekin section of China is rapidly growing worse and there are grave fears of another anti-foreign outbreak.

The Nechtel furniture factory, the largest in Canada, and several other buildings were burned at Hanover, Ont., Thursday night. The total loss was over \$1,000,000.

On Thursday the senate amended and then ratified the Hay-Pauncefote treaty. The treaty as amended does not allow the United States to fortify and defend the isthmian canal, but makes it neutral.

The United States transport Crook arrived at Newport News from Porto Rico Thursday, having on board ten officers, including Gen. George W. Davis and staff, and 200 soldiers and 350 horses and mules.

At Toronto, Ont., Friday morning fire burned a large moulding and picture frame factory. There were 65 men in the building who had a narrow escape from death. Some jumped from the windows to the street and were more or less seriously injured. The loss by the fire was heavy.

It is now stated that Edward Cudahy, of Omaha, Neb., paid \$25,000 ransom for his son, taking the money at night to a place named in the demand five miles from the city. His boy was returned next day. He now offers \$25,000 reward for the apprehension of the kidnapers. From conversation overheard by the boy the kidnapers had been attempting for a month to secure possession of one of his sisters.

Man Compared. If man grew as fast in proportion as a silkworm, he would be bigger than an elephant in two months. If he could navigate as fast in proportion as the average house fly, he could cross the Atlantic and back in the time it takes him to eat his breakfast. If he had as many eyes in proportion as the butterfly, he would have 40,000, to say nothing of an extra pair in his head for skylights. If he could spring as far in proportion as the spider, he could jump over the tallest tree in California, and it wouldn't bother him in the least. Man isn't the whole thing after all.—Freeport Journal.

Artificial Sponges. Artificial sponges are made in Germany by treating pure cellulose with zinc chloride. The product swells in water and on drying becomes hard. But to prevent this action alkalis are used. A pasty mass is thus obtained, which, being treated with rock salt, is then placed in a mold. When removed, it appears to be traversed by canals in all directions, and after having been washed in alcohol and water the sponge is ready for use.

Easy Choice. "Did you have any trouble in selecting a name for the baby?" "None at all. There's only one rich uncle in the family."—Richmond Dispatch.

"Much learning maketh a man sad," says one proverb, and another says, "A little learning is a dangerous thing." So what are you going to do about it?—Chicago News.

**Asthma**  
 Do you know what it is? The hard struggle for air, the spasmodic breathing, the nights spent in a chair, all tell the story of terrible suffering. But Ayer's Cherry Pectoral cures asthma. There is no doubt about it. We have hundreds of grateful testimonials to this effect.

These claims are backed by an analysis of the medicine, and by the fact that it is a natural, pure, and safe remedy, and is the only one that cures asthma.

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**ACTIVITY AT ALDERSHOT.**  
 More Troops Ordered to Proceed to South Africa.

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## A PRETTY WEDDING.

The Hudson-Anderson Marriage At Weldon Thursday Afternoon.

From the Wilmington Messenger. Weldon, December 20.

One of the prettiest weddings of the season was witnessed by Weldon people at the Methodist Episcopal church this afternoon at 3 o'clock, when Mr. William H. Hudson led to the altar Miss Alice Belle Anderson. The church was most artistically decorated, the prevailing effect being white and green. The holy mistletoe and other evergreens were beautifully festooned about the chancel and pleasingly arranged with soft white settings, giving an indescribable charm to the surroundings.

At the hour appointed the organ pealed forth its joyous notes under the accurate touch of Miss Laura Ewers, who presided at the instrument, and the bridal party entered.

First came four children, Misses Mary Rinford Sledge, and Kate Chadwick, of Kinston, and Masters Frank Hawks and Samuel Chadwick, both of Kinston. These children, two in each aisle, untied red and white ribbons, which formed gates near the chancel, and then the ushers, Messrs Ashley B. Stainback and H. D. Allen, entered and took their positions within the chancel to the right and left of the officiating minister, Rev. J. D. Bundy, who stood under an arch of evergreens.

The other attendants then entered in single file, the ladies in the left aisle and the men in the right.

The fair young bride entered with her father and was met at the altar by the groom, who entered with his brother, Mr. C. A. Hudson, who was best man. The bride carried a bouquet of bride's roses and her maid of honor, Miss Mary Porter, of Tarboro, carried white carnations. The other young lady attendants each carried holy tied with red ribbons.

The ceremony was impressively performed and there was a bridal chorus beautifully rendered by a select choir composed of some of the best home talent.

The ceremony over, the attendants, when retiring, were composed of the following couples: Maid of honor and best man, whose names are above mentioned; Miss Sallie Porter, of Tarboro, with Mr. Foret Stainback; Miss Olivia Coleman, of Gloucester county, Va., with Mr. T. F. Anderson, Jr.; Miss Janie Hudson, of Uniontown, Ala., with Mr. S. B. Clary; Miss Estelle Timberlake, of Raleigh, with Mr. Ed Hardison; Miss Florence Stainback with Mr. L. O. Anderson; Miss Myrtle Whitaker, of Kinston, with Mr. A. H. Sulter; Miss Belle Stainback with Mr. W. T. Whitehead.

Mr. and Mrs. Hudson left immediately after the ceremony for an extended bridal tour to Washington, Baltimore and other northern cities.

The bride is one of Weldon's loveliest and most charming young ladies and is a great favorite with all. The large number of elegant and costly presents she received emphasizes the love and esteem in which she is held by a large circle of relatives and friends.

Mr. Hudson is a native of Alabama, but has been living in Weldon for the past ten years. He holds a responsible position here in the freight department of the Atlantic Coast Line and is highly esteemed by all who know him. He is to be congratulated on winning such a fair and beautiful bride. She is the daughter of Capt. and Mrs. Thomas F. Anderson and has numerous relatives in various sections of North Carolina and across the border in Virginia.

**A Preacher and his Family Made Happy.**

Last evening quite a number of friends entered our home and left us a great variety of valuable articles to supply our table for many days to come. We value the tokens far more than for their intrinsic value. To know that our friends hold us dear in their memory is far better than to have their wealth. To every one who was engaged in the effort to make us happy, we wish to extend our sincere thanks and best wishes for a happy Christmas, and many returns of its joyous festivities.

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## THE CHURCHES.

Services will be held at the churches in Kinston tomorrow as follows, to which everybody is invited:

**Methodist Church.**  
 Rev. F. D. Swindell, presiding elder, will preach both morning and evening. Sunday school at 9:15 a. m. Epworth League Monday at 8 p. m.

**Christian Church.**  
 Services both morning and evening. Evening subject: "The Sting of the Adder." Sunday school at 3 p. m.

**Baptist Church.**  
 Sermon in the morning to children. Evening subject: "Close is God and the End of the Century." Sunday school at 9:30 a. m. B. Y. P. U. meeting changed from Monday night to Sunday afternoon at 3 o'clock. Special call to all members to be present tomorrow.

**Presbyterian Church.**  
 Services both morning and evening. Sunday school at 9:15 a. m.

**Episcopal Church.**  
 No services tomorrow. Sunday school at 3 p. m. Prayer meeting Wednesday evening. Services held in the grand jury room.

**The Chapel.**  
 Preaching tomorrow afternoon at 3 o'clock. Preaching at night at 7 o'clock. Sunday school at 9:30 a. m. Prayer meeting every Friday night.

**Christian Science.**  
 Services every Sunday morning at 11 o'clock in the opera house.

**Vindication of the Missionary.**  
 TO THE EDITOR OF THE FREE PRESS:—Yesterday there appeared in your paper a clipping from the Wilmington Messenger, in which the writer lays the blame for the recent troubles in China at the doors of the Christian missionaries. Now I believe you are a fair-minded man, therefore I ask, that in the interest of truth and justice you publish the following from The Missionary, of Nashville, Tenn.

Sincerely yours,  
 E. D. BROWN.

Kinston, Dec. 20, 1900.

"As in the case of the native Christians, one of the silver linings to the dark cloud which has hung over China for months past has been the vindication of the missionary. At first the world, and indeed too many church members were inclined to fling stones at the missionary and make him responsible for the storm that has burst over China. But as weeks and months pass, and the world grows to understand the situation better, all admit (and to their credit be it said, many leading secular papers cheerfully admit) that the great Boxer uprising was not antimissionary, but anti-foreign, and during all these troubles, in every part of China, especially in the stormiest centers, the missionaries have shown themselves among the bravest and most self-denying, and have won the admiration, confidence and praise of many foreigners who before had looked down upon them, and, indeed, scarcely knew them though living in the same communities with them.

"Minister Conger did not need such exhibitions of missionary character to convert him into a friend, he was that already. Nevertheless, it is most gratifying to read his tribute to them in the following note, which ought forever silence the defaming globe-trotter. Mr. Conger writes: 'To the Besieged American Missionaries—To one and all of you, so providentially saved from threatened massacre, I beg, in this hour of deliverance, to express what I know to be the universal sentiment of the diplomatic corps, a sincere appreciation of and profound gratitude for the inestimable help which you, and the native Christians under your charge, have rendered toward our preservation. But for your intelligent and successful planning, and the uncompromising execution of the Chinese, I believe our salvation would have been impossible. By your courteous consideration of me, and your continued patience in most trying occasions, I have been deeply touched, and for it I thank you most heartily. I hope and believe that somehow, in God's unerring plan, your sacrifices and dangers will bear rich fruit in the material and spiritual welfare of the people to whom you have so nobly devoted your lives and work. Assuring you of my personal respect and gratitude, believe me,

"Very sincerely yours,  
 "E. H. CONGER.

"Pekin, Aug. 18, 1900."

**Mayor's Court.**  
 Will Wooten and Ed Creech, colored, were before the mayor this morning for shooting fireworks on the streets. They were each fined \$1 and costs. Barwell Smith, colored, was fined \$2 and costs for being drunk and disorderly.

A piece of flannel 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.

## STATE NEWS.

Interesting North Carolina Items in Condensed Form.

The annual meeting of the State Grand Lodge of Masons begins at Raleigh on the evening of Jan. 8th.

The State has chartered the Bridgers company, of Bladenboro. It will manufacture pine products, and its capital is \$15,000. A charter was also granted the Kincaid Furniture company, of Statesville, capital \$20,000.

A new disease of cotton has appeared. It was discovered near Red Springs. It is called "wilt" by the farmers. It is really a fungous disease. It is especially bad in fields in which melons have recently been grown. It also affects cow-pes.

The Raleigh citizens committee, appointed to make preparations for Gov. Aycock's inauguration, is hard at work. Its plans are far enough complete to know that the occasion will be a very brilliant one. The date will probably be Jan. 16th. On that night a reception will be given by the Capital club and the inauguration ball will be held.

Miss Sallie Davis and Mrs. Zeigler went driving in the woods from Beaufort Wednesday. The horse ran away, throwing both ladies out. About four hours after the accident some one passing through the woods discovered the ladies who had all the while lay there in an unconscious condition. They were taken home, and it was found that Mrs. Zeigler was not seriously hurt, but it is feared Miss Davis suffered more severely. On Thursday morning she was conscious, but unable to close her mouth, and some spinal trouble is feared.

Clinton Democrat: Cattle stealing is getting rather common in this section. Recently several animals have been stolen and the disappearance of an ox or cow has gotten to be an almost daily occurrence. A young man was here Saturday offering a fine ox for sale at a low price. This aroused suspicion and soon the young man got uneasy and left. That evening a man from over on the edge of Bladen was here looking for the ox which had, in fact, been stolen. A warrant was sworn out for the young man and he will soon be in limbo.

It was decided at Raleigh Thursday that the next hearing of testimony before the master in the railroad taxicases will be in the city of Wilmington, beginning on Thursday, 27th inst. At that time it is expected that the corporation commission will put in evidence showing that the railroad property of the State is greatly undervalued for taxation. All along the railroads have been declaring that the issue was not raised and that this question could not be gone into. Judge Simonton, however, decides that the issue is raised, and directs Judge Shepherd to take evidence on this point.

**Rumor of a Serious Affray.**  
 Under date of Dec. 20th the Goldsboro correspondent of the Wilmington Messenger says:

The way of the Great Eastern railway arroyers is not one of sweet-scented roses. Last night news from Fremont was of a startling character and as little bit passed from mouth to ear, it became more and more of a sensational nature. Sheriff Scott was requested to "come at once," and prevent serious trouble—a cotton weigher was on the table, his bowels being sewed up, etc.; Gov.-elect Aycock was also telegraphed to board the 9:37 o'clock northbound train, and while the governor didn't go, still he was disturbed, not being able to learn the cause of the request. Sheriff Scott, however, responded and landed on the scene and reported nothing serious. Information is meagre, but it seems that parties of the survey corps were making a preliminary survey through the lands of Mr. John Floors and he seriously objected to any such procedure and took steps to fore the party off his land; hence the commotion. Rumor says a gun was brought into requisition and at one time serious trouble was feared. I am told that all parties interested will visit the city this evening, when and where it is hoped matters can be satisfactorily adjusted and the survey resumed.

**75 Cents a Day - 8 Hours Day**  
 Take LAXATIVE BROMO QUININE TABLETS. A druggist returns the money if it fails to cure. E. W. Goswell's signature is on each box and seal.

**Awful Storm Off Hatteras.**  
 Norfolk, Dec. 21.—An awful storm is raging off Hatteras. Two vessels have been lost and a big ocean liner is ashore. The wind is increasing and the sea is tremendous. It is reported from Virginia Beach that an unknown schooner is ashore. The North Atlantic squadron was prevented sailing today by the storm. The American schooner "Jennie Hells," Capt. Lamson, from Trinidad for Baltimore, with asphalt, went ashore this morning eight miles south of Cape Henry. Capt. Lamson and one seaman were drowned.

It is reported that a United States wardship is ashore at Hatteras.

White's Black Liniment—full size 25c bottle for 15c. It cures pain.  
 J. E. Hood.