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GENERAL NEWS.

Matters of Interest Condensed into Brief Paragraphs.

Mess. R. T. Wilson & Co., of New York, Monday published their estimate of the cotton crop, being 9,445,704 bales.

The engagement of Alice, fourth daughter of ex-Vice-President Morton, to Winthrop Rutherford, both of New York city, has been announced.

Assistant Surgeon J. J. Buchanan, U. S. N., cut his throat with a razor, dying while delirious, Sunday, at his ward in the naval hospital on Coasters Harbor Island, Newport, R. I.

The Hamilton club, of Chicago, will entertain Admiral Schley on the night of the 25th and a public reception will take place on the 27th. Great preparations are being made for the event.

At Buffalo, N. Y., early Sunday morning, Henry Pearlstein, his wife and five children, ranging from one and a half to twelve years, were burned to death in a fire that destroyed a two-story frame building.

Representative Lovering, of Massachusetts, has introduced a bill providing a salary for ex-presidents of the United States. The salary is to be at the rate of \$25,000 annually from the date of retirement from the presidency.

The state senate of Mississippi has endorsed a resolution endorsing the decision of Admiral Dewey in the Schley court of inquiry and declaring that no text books should be used in the schools in that state "that give to any other officer than Admiral Schley credit for the victory off Santiago."

The Chicago board of trade passed resolutions Monday calling upon congress to reopen the Schley case and make its own decision as to who was in command at the battle of Santiago. The Maryland legislature has also passed a resolution asking congress to adopt the Dewey report.

A dispatch from Washington says: It is probable that Admiral Higginson, with his flagship Kearsage, and several other vessels of the North Atlantic squadron, will shortly repair to Venezuelan waters. These precautions are taken, not with any offensive intent towards Venezuela, but merely to guard against an outbreak of anarchy and rioting in the event that the revolutionists should prevail over Castro's forces in the field.

A dispatch from Cleveland, O., tells of the plans for an American company to build electric lines along the Red Sea to connect Mt. Sinai and Damascus. It is added that already trolley cars are running from Jerusalem to Galilee, and for some years a steam road has been in operation from Jaffa to Jerusalem. It is also possible now to inspect the pyramids of Egypt from a seat in a trolley car manufactured in America.

As a result of a collision between a passenger and a freight on the Southern Railway at an early hour Sunday morning near Reeves Station, twenty miles north of Rome, Ga., Mrs. Lillian Nordica, the singer, was injured, her companion, E. Romayne Simmons, sustained a bruised hand, an engineer was killed, and three other employees of the road were injured. The cause of the collision was the engineer of the passenger mistook an extra freight train for the regular freight and passed by, when he should have stopped and waited for the regular.

The director of the census announced Monday the percentage of increase of population in different parts of the country, showing for the last decade a rapid decrease from the previous rate of growth of population in the west, a less marked, but decided, decrease in the north and a slight increase in the south. For the first time in the history of this country the population of the south has increased somewhat more rapidly than that of the north. The east, geographically, is included in the term north. The rate of the growth in the north, west and south is more nearly the same than it ever has been.

At a meeting of the Chicago branch of the American-Transvaal League a petition was adopted calling upon President Roosevelt to enforce the neutrality law. A large number of signatures of prominent men—judges, lawyers and others—was obtained. The petition is in the form of an argument and sets forth that the United States is conceded to be a neutral nation in the war between Great Britain and the South African republics. It is contended that if the augmentation of Great Britain's military supplies from the port of New Orleans were stopped, the South African war would come to an end. It is urged that horses and mules designed for use in military operations are within the meaning of the term "military supplies," as used in the treaty of Washington. The president, therefore, is called upon to enforce strictly Article VI of that treaty.

A Cure for Lambago.

W. C. Williams, of Amherst, Va., says: "For more than a year I suffered from lambago. I finally tried Chamberlain's Pain Balm and it gave me entire relief, which all other remedies have failed to do." Sold by J. E. Hood.

Must Pay Taxes.

To Tax Payers of Lenoir County: I want it distinctly understood by those who may think otherwise, that all taxes, so far as possible, will be collected according to law. If taxes are not paid by February 1st I will advertise the property for sale and collect by force. I cannot comply with any request to defer, for I must treat all alike. Respectfully,
DAL F. WOOTEN,
Sheriff Lenoir Co.

KELLAR'S GREAT MEMORY.

Aided the Magician in His Second Sight Tricks.

"The second sight trick as performed on the stage calls for a marvelous memory," said a former theatrical manager. "Some years ago I attended one of Henry Kellar's entertainments with Mrs. Scott Siddons. His lady assistant sat blindfolded on the stage and described different articles which he picked up at random through the audience. When he came near, I simply pointed to a curious little green charm which Mrs. Siddons had loaned to me and I was then wearing on my watch chain.

"It was a green intaglio," said the assistant in reply to Kellar's questions; "a very peculiar little medallion, which was presented to Mrs. Scott Siddons by the sailors of a vessel bound for San Francisco from Australia."

"We were so astonished that we almost fell out of our seats. After the show we went behind the scenes with Nellie McHenry and some other theatrical folk who happened to be present, and Mrs. Siddons proceeded to corner the magician, who was an old friend. 'Now, Harry,' she said, 'I want you to tell me honestly how you knew about that locket.'

"Kellar laughed. 'You recollect I came over from Australia on the same ship,' he replied, 'and I would certainly know that stone if I saw it in China.'

"He would say no more, and I presume, of course, that he conveyed his information to the stage through his system of cues. But the marvelous part about it was his prompt recognition of the charm on my watch chain. The presentation on shipboard had taken place all of seven or eight years before."—New Orleans Times-Democrat.

LIKE THE PROVERBIAL CAT.

How the Professor's Desk Came Back at His Own Expense.

The young lawyer has good taste in antiques and has done much browsing about in search of them. He knows the places in Worcester and the neighboring towns where those who like old furniture and have the money to pay for it may find what will delight their souls. So it was no more than natural, when the professor sold his desk, which was of ancient design, but of doubtful age, and began looking for something better, that he should consult the young lawyer. The man of law was delightfully sympathetic. "I saw just what you want the other day," he said, "but I'm afraid it's gone now. I'll keep my eye out for the next few days."

"Well, if you see anything really good," said the professor, "buy it and hold it for me. It is not safe to let a bargain go too long. Only let me know as soon as you can, so that I won't be buying one too. It would be a great favor."

"Not at all," said the lawyer. "It's a pleasure to buy a good thing, even if you are not to keep it yourself."

In a day or two the professor received a joyful note. The young lawyer's mother had found just what the professor wanted—a beauty, one of those rare old bits that they cannot counterfeit, and such a bargain, only \$10. The professor was charmed. He immediately sent his check to the young lawyer with an enthusiastic note of thanks and a request to send up the desk. He was in the hall when it arrived. He tore off the sacking and inspected his prize. It was his old desk that he had sold a few days before for \$8.50.—Worcester Gazette.

She insisted.
"Did that man to whom you were just talking say your affairs were mismanaged?" asked Mr. Meekton's wife severely.
"Now, Henrietta, that was simply a little aside. It wasn't intended for your ears at all!"
"I insist!"
"Oh, well, if you insist; he didn't say my affairs were mismanaged! He said they were Mrs.-managed."—Washington Star.

SNUB TO SCHLEY.

Sampson Displayed His Envy and Jealousy to Schley When He Got To Where Schley Had Won the Victory. Refused to Answer Signals by Schley.

Chicago, Jan. 12.—A book entitled "Schley and Santiago," is in press in this city, and will be issued within ten days. The author is George E. Graham, a war correspondent, who had exceptional facilities for gathering materials, as he was on board the Brooklyn during the fight with the Spanish fleet, and was in position to tell the story of Santiago "without fear or favor."

The book is said to have the unqualified endorsement of Rear Admiral Schley, who read and corrected the proof sheets. When President Roosevelt was governor of New York he was present when Mr. Graham gave an account of the battle to officials and members of the legislature, and said:

"I am sure you feel as pleased at having listened to Mr. Graham as I do, for I have listened to the best account I have ever heard or read of the naval fighting during this war."

This book is the first and only complete story of the work of the flying squadron commanded by Schley. Mr. Graham was assisted by his camera, which enabled him to add many interesting illustrations, and the account he gives of the movements of the fleet and the battle is evidently sincere. It is free of virulent and personal attacks. The aim is to give a truthful statement of every occurrence. In connection with the arrival of the New York, Mr. Graham says:

BATTLE WAS LONG OVER.

"The commodore reached over to me, took my glasses, and looked searchingly to the east, saying slowly as he did so, 'There is the Texas, and there is the Vixen, but I don't see the New York.' And then, as he kept the glasses up, in an instant he evidently had found her, for he remarked: 'Yes, there she is! I can tell her by her smoke.'

"This was at 1:45 o'clock, and the Colon had gone ashore at 1:15, while Capt. Cook had received the surrender at 1:43. At 2 o'clock, as the New York got where we considered her in signal distance Commodore Schley ordered the signal raised: 'A glorious victory has been achieved; details later.'

"This signal replaced the one which we had been flying for nearly three-quarters of an hour. 'The enemy has surrendered,' and which the New York had not answered. Vainly the signal officers on the bridge watched the New York for even the courtesy of an answering pennant showing that she understood our signal. None was displayed, and then it apparently dawned upon Commodore Schley's mind that Sampson's flag captain was intent on ignoring him.

"Picking up the megaphone, Commodore Schley did the one thing that day for which I have always criticized him, lowered his dignity sufficiently to plead with the commander of the fleet that he might have the surrender of the ship whose escape had been frustrated by the Brooklyn and the Oregon, thus making complete the day's victory.

REQUEST WAS IGNORED.

"I request the honor of the surrender of the Cristobal Colon," he said in a clear, distinct voice, and from the commander-in-chief's flag ship came wafted back the insolent answer from a cadet, 'What?'

"I request the honor of the surrender of the Cristobal Colon," again called the commodore, and this time his voice trembled slightly. We watched the bridge of the New York closely, waited intently for an answer, but none came. And that message, as had all the others preceding it since the destruction of the Spanish fleet, which had been addressed by Schley to the New York, remained unanswered.

"Somebody raised a broom at our masthead on one of the pennant halyards and the crew of the Oregon followed suit and then gave three cheers for Commodore Schley. On the Texas the men all lined up on the forward deck, and at the request of somebody aboard—I presume of Phillips himself—gave three cheers for Commodore Schley. The little Vixen circled around three or four times, her crew yelling themselves hoarse for the Brooklyn, for Schley, and for the victory. But from the New York there came never a sound of joyfulness and never a cheer."

ABOUT WILSON'S SMALLPOX.

A Meeting to be Held at Rocky Mount to Take Steps to Quarantine Against Wilson County.

Goldboro, N. C., Jan. 13.—Invitation has been received here to co-operate with the town of Rocky Mount, at a meeting of the authorities of that place tomorrow, January 14th, to consider the question of quarantining against the county of Wilson. Dr. Richard H. Lewis, secretary of the State board of health, will be there, together with the county superintendents of health and the sanitary committees of the several counties concerned.

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A CASE OF SMALLPOX.

Mr. Frank Draughon Contracts the Disease While Visiting at Clinton. Precautions Promptly Taken to Prevent the Disease Spreading.

A case of smallpox has been pronounced by physicians to be in Kinston.

This report created some excitement, and much talk, some of it exaggerated, on our streets this morning. The facts are as follows:

Mr. Frank Draughon, a young man, who came to Kinston several months ago to accept a position as clerk for Mess. Quinn & Miller was taken sick and went to bed last Thursday at Mr. J. S. Bizzell's, where he boarded.

Dr. W. T. Parrott was called in to attend the sick man. The doctor saw possible signs of smallpox and watched the case closely. This morning he called in his brother, Dr. J. M. Parrott, and, after a consultation, they pronounced it unmistakably the dread disease.

Dr. C. L. Pridgen, county superintendent of health, was notified and took charge of the situation. He had the home of Mr. Bizzell and family and two young men who boarded there quarantined.

Mr. Draughon is supposed to have contracted the disease while on a visit to his home at Clinton during the holidays. His sister there had what was pronounced the "chicken pox."

There is no need for any alarm to be felt over the situation. It will be dealt with vigorously, as was done before in Kinston in 1899. The country people and people from elsewhere need feel no hesitancy in coming to Kinston. Our authorities will not try to deceive the people by hiding any facts from them. In other counties the disease has become very prevalent because the authorities claimed it was not smallpox and not giving it attention, allowing many exposures. In Kinston and Lenoir county the authorities have taken hold of this one (and only) case promptly and will carefully and thoroughly adopt every means to prevent the disease spreading and to protect the public.

We heard it rumored this afternoon that a petition was being circulated among our merchants requesting The Free Press not to publish anything about the case of smallpox. We think it not only wrong but poor policy to suppress such news. So doing causes wild and exaggerated reports to be circulated and does more harm than to make public the exact and true situation. The Free Press can be depended on to publish the facts.

North Carolina Farmers.

Raleigh, N. C., Jan. 14.—Representatives from nearly every county of the State are here for tonight's meeting of the North Carolina State Farmers' association. The cotton seed situation and the fertilizer question are among the important matters to receive attention. The meeting promises to be one of exceptional interest to the agriculturists of the State.

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Those desiring to see Dr. T. H. Faulkner can find him in his new quarters in Ross building above Mess. Slaughter Bros. Store.

Cream of Wheat, Grape Nuts, Oat Meal, Postum Cereal and Cocoa—all breakfast necessities—at JAR. F. PARROTT'S.

Our second shipment of Queen Quality shoes just arrived. All of the ladies are invited to come in and see the new styles. S. H. LOFTIN.

STATE NEWS.

Interesting North Carolina Items in Condensed Form

Eight stores, one dwelling and a hotel were burned at Ashpole Monday.

Mr. L. Banks Holt has decided not to accept the presidency of the Raleigh fair, to which he was elected last October.

The U. S. senate Monday confirmed the nomination of John C. Dancy, of North Carolina, recorder of deeds, District of Columbia, A. E. Holton, U. S. attorney western district of North Carolina and H. C. Dockery as U. S. marshal, eastern district of North Carolina.

A special from Charlotte to the Winston Journal says: It is reported upon apparently good authority that the death of the late Wiley Bush was due to smallpox and that he and six prominent Methodist ministers were exposed at the same time while attending the conference at Gastonia.

Winston-Salem Journal, Jan. 12: Two little boys living at Sparta, sons of S. W. Brown and W. J. Harp, were bitten by a dog, supposed to be rabid, in that place yesterday. The little victims, who are about ten or twelve years of age, were brought to this city last night to be examined and treated by Dr. Bahson and if he considers it necessary they will be carried to Baltimore.

Winston-Salem Journal, Jan. 12: A young son of David Burke, a well known farmer who resides about seven miles northwest of here, was horribly powder burned and perhaps blinded for life in an accident at his father's home yesterday. The unfortunate youngster was playing with powder and put some in an old gun-shell. He set fire to this but before he could get away a frightful explosion occurred and for an instant his head was enveloped in flames. Friends hastened to his relief and medical aid was summoned, but the sight of his right eye is hopelessly destroyed, and the other is threatened, and he is otherwise seriously injured.

Raleigh Cor. Charlotte Observer: A. W. Fraps, one of the best known old citizens of Raleigh, died here Saturday morning, aged 78, of asthma. He came here from Saxony in 1859. During part of the civil war he had factories here and made for the Confederacy and the State tents, saddles, cartridge boxes, bayonets, etc. He also made lead pencils, using the plumbago found in two miles of Raleigh. After the war he was in the furniture business and later in the liquor trade. It was in the latter that he became known to prominent men all over the State. He was a Mason. One of his sons is a professor in the Agricultural and Mechanical College.

Raleigh Cor. Messenger: Rev. Baylus Cade, who has an option on half the 110,000 acres of what are known as swamp lands in Carteret county, held by the State board of education, was here today in consultation with the State officers and Engineer McRae, of the board of education, who has maps of the lands. Mr. Cade says that 80,000 acres of the 110,000 are what are known as "open lands," under water part of the year, and covered with a growth like the "chapparel" in Mexico. He says these open lands are not worth over a dollar a square mile. A man named Noble, from Kinston, is here to get 6,000 acres of the lands. He wants to pick out the timber land.

Charlotte News: Rear Admiral Winfield Scott Schley and Mrs. Schley spent ten minutes in Charlotte Saturday morning. They arrived on No. 33 which reached Charlotte at 8:40 o'clock. They occupied a section in the Pullman car "Dorset." On the arrival of No. 33, a townsman had the pleasure of shaking hands with the well known hero of Santiago. He received the reporter cordially, but at the outset informed him that he could not be interviewed on any subject touching the recent court of inquiry. Continuing he said: "Mrs. Schley and myself are en-route to Savannah, where for the next ten days we will be the guests of my friend, Gen. W. W. Gordon. Our trip is purely for rest and recreation, and we know that our stay in Savannah will be a most pleasant one."

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