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TWO NEGROES LYNCHED

At Concord, for an Awful Outrage
In Cabarrus County.

HUNG ON THE SAME TREE.

Then Their Bodies Riddled With Bullets.
They Outraged and Murdered Miss
Emma Hattell. Another Hitch Between
Gov. Russell and the Secretary of War.
War Department Wants 783 Men Under
Second Call Added to First and Second
Regiments. Russell Says He Has
Thousands for Other Regiments But
Not a Man to Add to First and Second.

Special to The Free Press.

Raleigh, N. C., May 30.—In Cabarrus
county yesterday afternoon Miss Emma
Hattell was outraged by negroes, who
then murdered her by cutting her throat.
Joe Kiser and Tom Johnson, young ne-
groes, were arrested and jailed in Con-
cord.

The jail was attacked at 10 o'clock last
night, and both negroes were hanged on
the same tree, and their bodies were then
riddled with bullets.

ANOTHER HITCH BETWEEN GOV. RUSSELL
AND SECRETARY OF WAR.

It does not appear that the call for the
third regiment to mobilize here on June
7th will be made, as there is another
hitch between Gov. Russell and the war
department.

The secretary of war telegraphs the gov-
ernor that 783 of the new quota under
the second call will be required to fill
the first and second regiments to the full
strength of 1,350 men each.

The governor replies that while he has
thousands of men for other regiments,
under their own officers, he does not pro-
pose to use a single man under the new
call to fill the present regiments.

The question now is, whether the secre-
tary of war will instruct the colonels to
recruit their regiments or employ recruit-
ing officers to get men for them.

To Move On Spanish Possessions Now.

By Telegraph to The Free Press.
Washington, May 30.—The receipt of
positive information in regard to the
presence of the Spanish fleet at Santiago
brought to a head the preparations for
the immediate invasion of the Spanish
possessions.

Gen. Miles starts for Tampa tonight.
Troops are being prepared to leave to-
day. It is stated that their departure
will not be postponed beyond Thursday.

The president spent a quiet day and
had but few callers. Sightseers are nu-
merous and national airs are heard
throughout the city.

McKinley on Memorial Day Observance.

By Telegraph to The Free Press.
Washington, May 30.—The president
sent letters of regret to the committee on
memorial exercises at Gettysburg, which
said that time only enhances the lasting
value and demonstrates anew the true
significance of those inspiring and patri-
otic observances to those who con-
tended on this historic field. Their de-
scendants are mustered today, willing
to make any sacrifice for the honor of the
nation.

Supposed to Have Dispatches From
Schley.

By Cable to THE FREE PRESS.
Cape Haytien, May 30.—Warships
have just signaled from the mountain
observatory. They are supposed to have
dispatches from Schley.

Hurried Orders to the St. Louis.

By Telegraph to The Free Press.
New York, May 30.—It is rumored that
the auxiliary cruiser St. Louis is hur-
riedly ordered to sail this morning with-
out waiting for the guns that were to be
placed on her.

GOOD NEWS.

Cervera's Fleet is At Santiago. No
Other News of Importance, Is Good
News.

By special to The Free Press.
Raleigh, N. C., May 30.—The Spanish
fleet under Admiral Cervera is finally lo-
cated at Santiago de Cuba. No other
war news of importance in the morning
papers.

SPANISH FLEET IN A BAD WAY

When Seen By a British Captain Off Cu-
racoa.

By Telegraph to The Free Press.
New York, May 30.—Capt. Hodgson, of
the British steamship Laughton, arrived
today. He says he saw the Spanish fleet
off Curacoa, and that the ships were in
bad condition—short of coal and provis-
ions.

The St. Louis.

By Telegraph to THE FREE PRESS.
New York, May 30.—The St. Louis
sailed for Tomkinsville at noon to await
final instructions from Washington. New
guns have been placed and she has been
coaled and provisioned for a long cruise.

Good From England.

By Cable to THE FREE PRESS.
Hong Kong, May 30.—A great change
has taken place in England's policy. Pro-
visions were allowed to be put aboard of
Dewey's transport, which sailed for Ma-
nila this evening.

Memorial Day in New York.

By Telegraph to THE FREE PRESS.
New York, May 30.—Memorial Day
was fittingly observed here. The weather
is pleasant and unusual enthusiasm
greeted the marchers down Fifth avenue.

Observations—Stolen and Otherwise.
Written for The Free Press.

The average woman is pleased to death
at receiving a note, but a man is most re-
luctant in taking one—he prefers the
cash.

There is a woman on Railroad street
who thinks that Hunter as a postmaster
is a dismal failure. She has sent twice a
day for two months to the postoffice, and
he has not delivered her letter yet.

THE FREE PRESS is a most welcome
visitor at our house, but when it says—
May 25—that THE DAILY FREE PRESS
has come to stay, we must really beg to
be excused, just at present. It is so hard
to get anything fit to eat, we have no
cook and the baby is down with measles.

THE FREE PRESS is justly proud of its
handsome appearance, its accurate news,
its reliable telegraphic service and the
prompt and efficient manner of its distri-
bution. But what we admire most about
THE FREE PRESS is its extreme modesty.
To this cause we must regard its pro-
found silence regarding an enterprise of
the utmost benefit to its patrons. We
run a risk of betraying the confidence re-
posed in our integrity, but the interest of
the matter is of such vast importance
that we deem it unjust to withhold the
facts. Newspapers frequently meet a dis-
agreeable situation, when there is no
news, none to be had and none to be told.
A dilemma of that kind may not bother
the New York disseminator of false and
spurious tales, originating in the abor-
tive brains of special reporters on the
spot—in the office. THE FREE PRESS
could never stoop to such low, dishonest
and false methods—never—never!

Nevertheless it rises equal to the occa-
sion, and, regardless of terrible risks and
immense expense, has organized and es-
tablished at an enormous outlay of
treasure to the country and fearful dan-
ger to the parties engaged, a gigantic
system and scheme for the manufacture
of genuine, wholesome, unadulterated, sub-
stantial news.

The directors at the head of this sci-
entific branch of newspaper industry are
well qualified by the requisite courage
and experience, and those serving under
them may be trusted as turning out good
and true and solid work.

The managers are as follows: W. T.
Sampson, George Dewey, Fitzhugh Lee,
Teddy Roosevelt, Stonewall Pollock and
others, to be mentioned hereafter.

Readers should wait with patience.
Our assortment of handsome news is in
a fair way of production, and as soon as
each job is nicely and neatly finished it
will appear on the first page of this paper.
Send in your subscription.

Colored Troops to Fort Macon.

A special train of five coaches passed
through this afternoon over the A. & N. C.
R. R., having on board 100 colored troops
from Raleigh, 100 from Charlotte and 60
from Wilmington. They were on their
way to Fort Macon, near Morehead City.

CERVERA IS TRAPPED.

Schley Says "I Have Got Them and
They Will Never Get Home."

BY BRILLIANT MANOEUVRING

Schley Persuaded the Spaniards That He
Had Left the Region of Santiago in Dis-
gust. The Dons Took the Bait and En-
tered the Harbor. Schley Has Acted
On His Own Judgment for Six Days.
Schley's Squadron is Jubilant.

By Cable to The Free Press.
Aboard dispatch boat, off Santiago,
Sunday, May 29.—Schley is holding Cer-
vera in the harbor here.

By brilliant manoeuvring Schley per-
suaded the Spaniards that he had left the
region of Santiago in disgust. The Dons
took the bait and entered the harbor.
Schley approached this morning and saw
the Cristobal, Colon, Maria Teresa and
two torpedo boats, and believes that the
entire armada is undoubtedly there.

Schley has acted on his judgment for
the last six days, ignoring the vagaries of
the strategy board. He sat on the after
triangle of the Brooklyn this morning
until the discovery of the armada and
then went to breakfast, saying: "I have
got them and they will never get home."
The St. Paul arrived this morning and
was sent to Mole St. Nicholas with dis-
patches. She captured the coal ship
which was sent to Key West. The coal
was intended for Cervera. It is believed
there is very little at Santiago.

The squadron is jubilant over having
located the Spanish armada.

The temperature here is 110° in the
shade. The heat in the steel turrets is
beyond imagination.

The American ships here are the Brook-
lyn, Texas, Ohio, Marblehead and Vixen.

SANTIAGO TO BE ATTACKED

By Land and Sea Immediately. Gen.
Miles Ordered to Send 25,000 Troops
Thither at Once.

By Telegraph to The Free Press.
New York, May 30.—A special to the
New York Journal from Washington
says that Santiago is to be attacked
both by land and sea immediately. Gen.
Miles has been ordered to send 25,000
troops thither at once and more are to
follow for occupation.

For Jersey Naval Reserves.

By Telegraph to The Free Press.
New York, May 30.—The auxiliary
cruiser Badger has arrived at the navy
yard to take on ammunition for the
Jersey Naval Reserves.

Soldiers Die of Pneumonia.

By Telegraph to THE FREE PRESS.
Chattanooga, May 30.—Several deaths
occurred today among the troops at
Chickamauga from pneumonia.

STATE NEWS.

Interesting North Carolina Items in
Condensed Form.

At Shelby last Friday Mit Sadler, col-
ored, was hanged for the murder of Will
Wells, white, on the 8th of last January.

The supreme court has decided that the
tax of 1½ per cent. on gross receipts of
hotels in excess of \$2,000 is legal and not
discriminative.

The senate rejected C. P. Anthony, the
negro saloon keeper appointed postmas-
ter at Scotland Neck, and the president
and colored congressman, White, will ap-
point someone else.

Bishop Fitzgerald has been assigned to
hold the Western North Carolina confer-
ence, which meets at Winston November
16, and the North Carolina conference,
which meets at Elizabeth City November
30.

The adjutant general says that in ad-
vance of the second call by the governor
for volunteers he had on file tenders of
twenty-six companies of infantry, two
troops of cavalry and one battery, but
that only the infantry would be accepted.
He has entered all the tenders in order
of their reception, and in that order they
will be taken. If any drop out, those
lower in the list will be advanced.

NEWBERN NEWS ITEMS.

Colored Volunteers. Close of Crumpler's
Meeting—About 50 Professions. Fed-
eral Memorial Services.

C. Whit Gaskins, Manager Newbern Depart-
ment.

NEWBERN, N. C., May 30, 1898.

Quite a crowd of colored people from
the adjoining counties are in the city to
attend the Federal Memorial services.

The meetings of the Rev. A. B. Crum-
pler closed last night. There were about
1,500 people out to hear him preach.
Mr. Crumpler has been here about two
weeks. There have been about forty or
fifty professions.

Lieut. J. T. York has received his com-
mission as first lieutenant of the Newbern
Riflemen, and Saturday night received a
telegram to recruit his company to 60
men and proceed to Fort Macon today.
A colored company from Wilmington also
goes down today.

CLOSS ITEMS.

May 26, 1898.

Irish potatoes and cabbage have made
their appearance.

Mr. W. T. Daughety has the finest calf
ever seen in this community.

The heaviest rain of the season fell here
yesterday injuring swamp corn.

We heard yesterday morning that
Sampson had destroyed the Spanish
fleet. Closs' West was about to ring his
mother's farm bell, when THE FREE
PRESS was received doubting it.

TO PENSION MRS. BAGLEY.

Congressman Strowd Introduces a Bill To
That Effect in Congress.

Washington, May 27.—A bill was in-
troduced in the house today by repre-
sentative Strowd (of N. C.) to pension Mrs.
Adelaide Worth Bagley, mother of Ensign
Bagley, of the Winslow, the first naval
officer to fall in the present war, at the
rate of \$40 per month.

Disposition of Spanish Prizes.

Key West, Fla., May 27.—The prize
commission today resumed its considera-
tion of the captured Spanish vessels.

The court ordered the "Miguel Jover"
and the "Catalina" released.

An appeal was taken by the counsel for
the government.
"Pedro" and the "Guido" were con-
demned and ordered sold.

The "Panama" was condemned, and
both ship and cargo were ordered to be
sold.

The "Buena Ventura" was also con-
demned, but her cargo was released.

Any kind of printing at THE FREE
PRESS office.

TRY TO SINK THE SHIP.

This Was Attempted by the Crew of
a Captured Vessel.

LOADED WITH SPANISH COAL.

Or Rather Coal For Cervera's Fleet. Cap-
tured Off Santiago and Taken to Key
West. Prize Crew Pumped Constantly
To Keep the Captured British Steamer
Afloat Till Port Was Reached.

By Cable to The Free Press.
Key West, May 30.—The papers of the
British steamship, captured off Santiago
with a cargo of 5,000 tons of coal for
Cervera, show that it was bound from
Cardiff to Porto Rico. The vessel evi-
dently received information that it was
dangerous to attempt to enter Porto
Rico ports, and was seeking Cervera's
fleet at Santiago.

Just before capture an attempt was
made by her crew to scuttle the vessel.
The prize crew pumped constantly until
they brought her to this port. When
boarded by quarantine officers this morn-
ing the captured vessel carried the Amer-
ican flag on her foremast truck, a British
flag on her taffrail, and another British
flag at halfmast amidship.

Reciprocity With France.

By Telegraph to The Free Press.
Washington, May 30.—The French re-
ciprocity agreement was signed today.
It makes the following tariff arrange-
ments in favor of America: Manufactured
and prepared pork and meats reduced
from 100 franks to 50 per 200 pounds;
lard, from 40 to 25. Table fruit, canned
meats, dried and pressed fruit, common
woods, paving blocks, stoves, hoops, ap-
ples, pears, crushed, cut or dried, to the
minimum French rate—the duty under
the reductions being half former rate.
Angols to five per cent. ad valorem.
Brandies and other spirits to \$1.75 per
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No reduction on champagne.

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