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THE MYSTERY SOLVED.

The Bridgeport Murderers and Accomplices All Under Arrest Except One.

A BIG FAILURE IN NEW YORK.

Failure of New England Loan and Trust Company Announced With Capital Stock Of \$800,000. It Loaned Money on Western Mortgages.

Bridgeport, Sept. 26.—The Gill mystery is now solved. All alleged to be implicated are under arrest except the person whose hand brought the victim to her untimely death and who subsequently dismembered the body, which the police states, is Mrs. Nancy Guilford. Harry Oxley has confessed to complicity.

The Dayton's have also confessed their knowledge of the crime. It is alleged that a search will be made for Dr. Guilford.

A Big Failure in New York.

New York, Sept. 26.—The failure of the New England Loan and Trust Co. is announced today. The capital stock is \$800,000. Debenture obligations are secured by mortgages amounting to about \$5,000,000. The company has been in the business of loaning money on western mortgages.

WAR INVESTIGATION.

The Committee Holding Preliminary Meeting to Map Out the Work.

Washington, Sept. 26.—All the members of the war investigation committee assembled promptly at 10 o'clock this morning in a room at state, war and navy building. Gen. Dodge, chairman, arrived after a majority of members had gathered.

Dr. Connor, of Cincinnati, arrived this morning and had a conference with the president previous to attending the meeting.

At the opening of the meeting the deliberations of the investigation committee was taken up where they left on Saturday, when the preliminary session was held.

The real work of the commission will not begin before tomorrow, the meeting today being occupied in a discussion of methods proceeding of the regular work. The commission will shortly change its quarters to the Lemon building, within a short distance of the war department.

PETROLEUM DISCOVERED

On the West Coast of Newfoundland. Abundant and Good Quality.

Montreal, Sept. 26.—Petroleum has been discovered at Port Au Port, on the west coast of Newfoundland, on land included in the grant to builder Reid, of this city. The oil is said to be abundant and of good quality.

CIRCUS TRAIN WRECKED.

Forepaugh's Circus Train Wrecked and Two Men Killed.

Huntington, W. Va., Sept. 26.—Forepaugh's circus train is reported to have been wrecked and two men killed at Wilsendale this morning.

Colored Trooper Shot and Killed.

Camp Wikoff, Sept. 26.—Private James Twisby, colored, of troop F, tenth cavalry, died this morning at the regimental hospital, from gunshot wounds inflicted by Lindsay P. Holt, a fellow trooper of the same company. The shooting was a result of a quarrel over the possession of a gold Spanish coin.

Forest Fires in Wisconsin.

Cheyenne, Sept. 26.—Serious forest fires are threatening the best Wisconsin timberlands. Several hundred acres have been destroyed according to the latest report. A large force of rangers are fighting the flames.

"OLD NORTH STATE" NEWS.

Interesting North Carolina Items in Condensed Form.

Rev. J. L. Burns, keeper of the capitol at Raleigh, denies that he has poisoned dogs.

A fatal disease has appeared among the cattle in Northampton county. Some of the farmers have lost from eight to eleven head of cattle each.

A colored child in Northampton swallowed the heads of fifteen or twenty matches a few days ago and died from phosphorus poisoning.

The penitentiary directors exonerate Lewis Summerell, supervisor of the "Northampton" farm of charges of cruelty and find that Jim Sears, the guard who has fled to Virginia, beat Lowe, a white convict, to death.

It is now said that the second regiment furloughs will be extended from 30 to 60 days so that the government may be sure they will not be needed before they are mustered out. Congress may give each volunteer soldier three months pay.

There are now sixty-eight convicts making shirts in the penitentiary, for a New York firm. The monthly product is now 2,400 dozen, for which the State gets \$330. The convicts employed in the factory are nearly all federal prisoners.

The penitentiary directors order a reformatory for convicts under the age of 16 years, at the "Anson" farm, near Wadesboro. There will be two buildings, one for white, the other for negro youths. Of these there are about eighty. The last arrival is a boy horse thief, only thirteen years old, from Henderson county.

A cyclone visited Mt. Airy Thursday night, unroofing the Cape Fear & Yadkin Valley railroad depot, blowing down several buildings and doing considerable damage to telephone and telegraph communications. Three miles west of Pilot mountain the railroad trestle and one hundred feet of track were washed away.

Congressman Pearson puts out a "fake" statement that it is an indictable affair to be an independent candidate unless one is the representative of some organized party, and that it is indictable to distribute tickets. Now this is quite the reverse of fact. Anybody can be a candidate, but it is indictable for such to use the "device" of any party's nominee.

In Chatham superior court Thursday a verdict for \$1,250 was awarded W. B. Dowdy, against the Western Union Telegraph company. It was a "mental anguish" case. Mr. Dowdy received this telegram while away from home: "Baby very sick, come." The telegram was delayed in deliverance and in the meantime the child died. Mr. Dowdy brought suit and was awarded \$1,250 damages.

Raleigh Cor. Star: Chairman Holton has gone to the western part of the State to look after some political fences. A Republican, who came from the western part of the State recently, had a talk with Holton and Duncanson, and he gave a very blue picture of things in the west. He told them that Rutherford and several other counties in that section were lost to the Republicans; that Montgomery county would go Democratic because of dissensions, and that the Rads were hopelessly split in Alamance and other counties.

A cloudburst in the western part of the State Friday caused serious damage. In Caldwell county the rainfall was six inches in twenty-four hours. The Carolina and Northwestern railroad tracks are two feet under water in one place. Trains have been delayed on the Western North Carolina by washouts. The river bottom corn crops are covered with mud and are ruined. The hay crop is also seriously damaged. Some families have been driven from their houses to the hills by the freshet. Lewis Moser was drowned in the Yadkin near Donaha, while attempting to rescue pumpkins that were floating down the stream.

Buried at Santiago.

"Few students of Napoleonic history," says the London Chronicle, "are aware that Dr. Antomarchi, who attended upon Napoleon I during his last illness at St. Helena, is buried in the cemetery at Santiago de Cuba. He had a brother living in that island, and after the emperor's death proceeded thither and lived at Santiago, exercising his skill as an oculist gratuitously among the poor. After his death in 1825 a public monument was erected to his memory in the local cemetery."

It is an old saying that those who were born in the last six months of the year will have a great change of experience every seventh year, and their dreams will have significance during the full of the moon.

DREYFUS COMMISSION

Makes Public Its Report for a Revision of the Case.

NEWS ENROUTE TO DREYFUS

Who Is Confined on a Lonely Pestilential Island. The Whole City of Paris Quivers With Excitement. Parisians Shout And Cheer the Commission.

Paris, Sept. 26.—After a short and final meeting this morning, while Paris waited in such suspense as has not hung over the city since the Franco-Prussian war, the Dreyfus commission made public its report for a revision of the Dreyfus case. The whole city quivers with excitement. The message is enroute to the lonely pestilential island, where poor Dreyfus is so cruelly imprisoned.

Parisians Shout and Cheer the Ministry.

Paris, Sept. 26.—Crowds of people on the outside of the ministry of interior, where the cabinet council is held, loudly cheered the ministry with many shouts of "Vive Brisson, Vive le Revision."

Mme. Dreyfus' Petition to Be Laid Before the Court of Cassation.

Paris, Sept. 26.—The cabinet has ordered Sarrien to lay before the court of cassation the petition of Mme. Dreyfus for a revision of her husband's case.

NEW YORK REPUBLICAN CONVENTION.

Roosevelt Adherents Are Confident and Black's Followers Cheerful.

Saratoga, Sept. 26.—The early morning trains brought many delegates to the Republican state convention.

Roosevelt delegates here protest that there is not a question of Roosevelt's availability as a candidate for governor. Legal opinions regarding the eligibility of Roosevelt will be presented to the state committee tonight at its meeting, and afterward will be given out for publication.

The Roosevelt adherents are confident, and the Black followers cheerful. The faction refuses to recognize Quigg. Governor Black arrived at eleven this morning.

VAN WYCK FOR GOVERNOR

Of New York State. The Syracuse Democratic Convention Will be Largest Ever Held.

Syracuse, Sept. 26.—The city is awakening to the fact that it is the scene of the biggest state convention ever held. Already many Democrats are assembling here. Hotel accommodations already taken, and many more persons are expected than can be accommodated in the city. All appearances indicate that Van Wyck will get the nomination.

Negro Lynched in Tennessee.

Mountain City, Tenn., Sept. 26.—One hundred men overpowered the jailor and lynched the negro Williams who seriously stabbed Sherman Dunn, and assaulted Mrs. Mollie Shelton.

French Capture 400 Prisoners.

Paris, Sept. 26.—News has been received that the French defeated Chief Samery on the Ivory coast, capturing four hundred prisoners.

Bayard Failing Rapidly.

Dedham, Sept. 26.—Mr. Bayard is now failing rapidly. He can take no nourishment and death must occur within a few hours.

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Republican Fusion Purposes Exposed.

Raleigh Post. The properly constituted authorities of Mecklenburg county proceeded on the day set apart by law to appoint registrars of election. The law requires that a representative of each of the political parties in present conditions—Democratic, Republican and Populist—shall be appointed.

The selection of those men devolves entirely upon the clerk of the court, register of deeds and sheriff of the county. The only restriction on these officers is that they shall select representatives of each political organization, fulfilling the other requirements as to intellectual qualification.

It seems that Mecklenburg possesses Republicans, who, though Republican in principle, believing in and sustaining the principles of the party, are not in sympathy with negroizing the State. They do not find in their party platforms, or declaration of principles anything requiring them to turn their State, their property and their liberties over to the vicious elements of society, that element which destroys or scandalizes all it touches, such as the Holton-Thompson combination is trying to fasten eternally on the State.

Some of these Republicans, admitted by honorable as well as intelligent gentlemen, have been chosen to represent their party as registrars. Therefore, and altogether because they are honorable and intelligent, Chairman Holton and Thompson, the "heavenly twins" in the present political iniquities of the State, have instituted proceedings before Judge Furches of the supreme court to have these men set aside, and such creatures as they, Holton and Thompson, or their henchmen in Mecklenburg, select, appointed.

One of the boasts made in the Ayer-Thompson-Holton handbook is that in the election of 1896 the "opposition to the Democrats" made heavy gains in such counties as Mecklenburg, Union, Richmond, Robeson, New Hanover—counties bordering on the South Carolina line. It is charged and earnestly believed that thousands of illegal votes were cast and counted in that election, and the "heavy increase" boasted of occurring in border counties sustains this belief. That the same methods, under the protection of the present infamous election law are relied upon now to overcome the honest white men of the State is evidenced by this objection to the combination to honest Republican registrars in Mecklenburg county—men, who though Republicans, are still honorable citizens who will not connive at such frauds as were perpetrated by illegal negro registration and voting in 1896.

This is the whole situation as to the contest before Judge Furches. We do not believe that he will sustain any such infamous scheme.

But those white Republicans of the State, who want good government of State and local affairs—and there are thousands such—can see from this the desperate purposes of the combination which now degrades the State.

This movement fully exposes the infamous purposes of the Fusionists.

Old papers for sale at this office.

FRENCH RECOGNITION

Of the Philippine Republic Said To Have Been Promised.

THE REPORT IS DISCREDITED

At Washington. Announcements Causing Much Uneasiness. Nothing Can Be Learned at the French Embassy.

London, Sept. 26.—A Globe dispatch from Hong Kong says that it is learned from a trustworthy source that France has promised to recognize the Philippine republic. It is reported that negotiations on this subject are now proceeding at Manila, where there are three French warships.

Report Discredited at Washington.

Washington, Sept. 26.—The story of the coming French recognition of the Philippine republic is not believed here. The London announcements are causing much uneasiness, however, but nothing can be learned at the French embassy.

"If you'll always give me full swing," observed the pendulum, "you will never have any trouble with your hands." "I don't know," replied the clock. "If it wasn't for your going back and forth in my works I never would have any strikes."—Chicago Tribune.

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