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GENERAL

Matters of Interest Condensed Into Brief Paragraphs.

It is said Corbett and Jeffries will fight about next September.

The indications are that the automobile will have a run in France. It is said that 1,600 companies have been organized to manufacture them.

A hot fight is on in Alabama between U.S. Senator Morgan and Gov. Johnston, the latter having announced his intention of trying to wrest the senator-ship from Morgan.

Mrs. Taylor, wife of Dr. Richard P. Taylor, of Louisville, Ky., is missing. She is supposed to have lost her mind under the preaching of Rev. C. B. Strouse on sanctification. She is said to be a very handsome, brilliant and a most learned woman. She was a devout Cath-olic and joined the new holiness Methodism. Her husband offers a reward of \$500 for information concerning her.

A dispatch from Chattanooga says The Chattanooga merchants are preparing to institute suit against the Louis ville & Nashville and other railroads to recover the excessive freight paid for the past six years, amounting to several hundred thousand dollars. The suit will be brought in consequence of a de-cision of the United States court of appeals declaring the freight rates to Chattanooga from the east to be in excess of the rates to Nashville and illegal. The Chattanooga rates have been on an average of 50 per cent. in excess of the Nashville rates.

HIS REPUTATION SAVED.

How a Crack Shot Became Indebted to an Irish Sergeant.

"They tell a funny story in the army about Captain Patillo, the crack shot," said one of a party of late diners. "According to the yarn, General Miles and a high Washington official once visited a western post where the captain was stationed and sent word that they would like to see a little exhibition of his skill. Patillo happened to be quite sick at the time, but he couldn't very well refuse and presently appeared on the long distance range. He blazed away, and an Irish sergeant, who had been sent out to act as marker, waved a small flag. 'What does that mean?' asked the distinguished visitor. means I missed the whole target,' replied Patillo gloomily. He tried again with the same result. 'I don't know what's the matter with me!' he ex claimed in deep mortification. 'I never did such work in my life.'

"At the third shot the distant figure varied the wigwagging, and the as sembled officers applauded. The signal meant a bullseye. Thereupon he fired 20 consecutive rounds, and each time the flag waved back the news that he had pierced the inner circle. It was a marvelous record, an unparalleled score. The distinguished visitor was very gracious in his congratula-

tions. "Later on Patillo, still beaming, met the marker crossing the parade grounds. 'Hello, sergeant!' he said. I wonder what the deuce made me miss the target those first two shots? Whist, captain! replied the Irishman drawing close. ''Tis divil the tolme ye hit it at all. at all." 'Didn't hit it at all! cried Patillo in amazement. 'Then why did you signal all those bullseyes? 'Faith, sor,' said the sergeant repronchfully. I knew yer ripytation was at stake."

Washington and the Indians.

More than once Washington enterlained Indians. Trumbull, artist lion of the hour, had painted a full leagth portrait of the president. Curious to ee the effect, Washington led a party of full blooded Indians suddenly into view of it. One of them advanced and touched the painted figure. "Ugh!" he grunted, with suspicion. He looked chind to see if it were really flat; disone would permit Trumbull to sketch him. The president took an amiable walk down Broadway with the Indians was ago millions of bottles were given away, and your druggists will tell you its savage dress, paint and feathto stateliness contrasted. The dignity of the unregenerate Indian was real, d yet he was tickled like a child with

WITH A RUSH.

The Americans' Rapid Occupation of the Country Between Manila and Dagupan. Capture of Men, Ammunition and Supplies by Lenhauser.

Manila, Nov. 20.—10 a. m.—The American occupation of the country between Manila and Dagupan is proceeding with a rush. Gen. McArthur is within five miles of Dagupan, which place Gens. Wheaton and Lawton will probably occupy. The railroad is practically intact beyond Bamband, except for a distance of five miles to the north and the rails for that portion have been discovered. Large quantities of rolling stock have been destroyed.

Gen. McArthur is moving his troops by train, and the roads within Gen. Lawton's territory are becoming passable.

Captain Lenhauser accomplished one of the best coups of the war. Reaching O'Donnel by a night march from Capas, on Nov. 18, he surprised the insurgent force, numbering 200, and captured all of them, with their arms, 10,000 rounds of ammunition and four tons of subsis-

One Filipino was killed, but there were no American casualties.

The Campaign In the North.

Manila, Nov. 20 .- 8:25 a. m .- Only fragmentary reports reach Manila of the operations north, which, when the story is known, will prove to have been the most remarkable campaigning the Philippine war has known. Gen. Lawton's division is spread thinly over the territory beyond San Jose, where the telegraph ends. Gen. Young's two regiments of cavalry are continuing their rapid sweeps into the new towns, and the infantry is being shoved forward to hold the towns the cavalry takes, all in a country whose natural difficulties are increased indescribably by tropical rains, making rivers out of creeks and swamps of fields. Wagon transportation is supposed to have been practically abandoned, the American troops living on cap-tured supplies and the little produce the insurgent levies have left.

A Mexican Gambler.

Don Felipe Martel, the famous gambling house proprietor of the City of Mexico, had made a fortune in the business before the government decidday. One by one the gambling houses vaal brethren closed, and when the field was clear Don Felipe Martel approached the authorities with \$1,000 in cash and demanded a day's license. In a few hours his place was thronged. At a single stroke he had won the patronage of Mexico, and his doors have never been closed since. The daily outlay \$1,000 is not missed from the dail revenue of thousands. His strong religious tendencies are so well known that nobody was surprised when us built in the village of San Angel a church that cost more than \$50,000. The poor people of the vicinity, and many of the rich as well, have come to regard him as a sort of fairy prince. His own style of living encourages this belief. The Martel mansion in the City of Mexico is a magnificent affair. constantly filled with guests. A curious feature is that it contains 40 windows—the number of cards in the Mex-lcan deck. preparing to send a second supplement-ary Indian contingent to South Africa.

Slandering the Hatchet.

"They continue to find fresh defects in Washington's character."

"Anything particularly new?" "Yes. They say his manner of illustrating the truth was a little lax."-

Cleveland Plain Dealer.

Any adult suffering from a cold settled on the breast, bronchitis, throat or lung troubles of any nature, who will call at Temple Marston Drug Co., will be presented with a sample bottle of Boschee's German Syrup, free of charge. Only one bottle given to one person, and none to children without order from parents.

No throat or lung remedy ever had

IN EXPANSIVE MOOD.

Prince Albert District Annexed to Orange Free State. Cronje at Mafeking With 2,000 Men. The Dutch in Cape Colony Ripe for a Revolt. Boers Concentrating.

London, Nov. 20.-A dispatch to the Daily Mail from Stormberg says that Commandant Duplooy. November 15th, proclaimed Albert district to be part of Orange Free State. He ordered the British to leave within 14 days, or become Burghers. He announced that a commando would proceed to East London.

Other dispatches from this district indi cate that though a few of the colonial Dutch have joined the invaders, they express openly their sympathy, and unless the British act quickly, numbers of the disaffected will join the enemy at Storm-berg, Aliwal North and Barkley East. At present the British hold Middleburg,

Naauwpoort and DeAar, with a strong column pressing close on Modder river, the passage of which will entail a fight unless there is a turning movement through Jakobsdaale, threatening the Boer line of communication by Boshof.

British Residents Fleeing From Orange Free State.

Cape Town, Nov. 20,—Gen. Cronje, with 2,000 men, has arrived at Mafeking. It is not known whether Mafeking is still making passive resistance or has fallen, but Boer losses are reported.

A dispatch from Kuruman says that Free State Boers are now indulging in the most rigid commandeering within the territory recently annexed. All pro-British residents of the country are rushing to the south. Some are so panic stricken that they abandon their stores without notifying the authorities they are going or locking their doors. Others fling the keys of their stores to landrosts, crying: "We are going to start life anew elsewhere."

Cape Colony Ripe for Revolt.

Berlin, Nov. 20 .- The Cologne Gazette has received a mail story from Cape Town, dated November 1. According to the Gazette's correspondent, everything there is ripe for revolt against the British. He adds: "It only requires an ed to abolish gambling houses by levy- initial movement to make the Dutch pop-

Recent Fighting at Ladysmith.

Estcourt, Nov. 20.-There was a battle at Ladysmith Nov. 15, lasting from daybreak until 2 o'clock. A number of Boers were killed and many prisoners taken. The British loss was not onefourth as great as the enemy's.

It is expected that Joubert will at tempt to invest Estcourt.

Boer Plan of Campaign.

London, Nov. 20 .- A dispatch to the Times from Orange River, November 14. says the Boers do not intend a serious invasion of Cape Colony. They openly declare that they intend to concentrate at Donker Poort for the purpose of op-posing Buller's forward movement. There are 6,000 Boers there now.

More Troops Going From India.

Bombay, Nov. 20 .- The government is

Kruger Said to Be Worried.

London, Nov. 20 .- A dispatch to The Central News from Pretoria says that President Kruger is no longer confident, but appears terribly worried. The dispatch says he lives like one isolated from

Troops Rushing to the Front.

Pain Balm, with good results, for a lame shoulder that has pained her continually for nine years. We have tried all kinds of medicines and doctors without receivenefit from any of them. One

Lagrange Items.

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FREE PRESS BUREAU. LAGRANGE, Nov. 20, 1899.

Rev. D. H. Petree preached in Wilson

Rev. Vernon N. Ridgeley, of Baltimore, s visiting at Willow Shoals, near here.

Mr. S. I. Wooten spent Sunday with his amily, returning Sunday afternoon to

Mess. Hollingsworth & Boyett, of Goldsboro, have opened a grocery next to Mr. Sim Wooten's.

Mess. Thos. Harvey and K. E. Sutton have returned from the Philadelphia export exposition.

The Children's Day service at the M. P. church attracted a large audience and was successful in accomplishing its purpose-inspiring missionary zeal.

"The Last Word," by "Tom Foolery," to Dame Rumor in the issue of the 17th was spicy and rhymy, and entirely exonerates him from any charges that may have been preferred.

Rev. C. E. Forlines left today for the M. conference. He has made many friends in our town and community, who will be glad to have him returned. He is studious, energetic and consecrated, and his many friends here wish him well in what-ever field of labor he is called.

THE NEWBERN FAIR.

The Date This Year is April 16-21. \$2,000 in Race Purses.

The East Carolina Fish, Oyster, Game and Industrial association will have its 13th annual fair and race meet in Newbern, N. C., on April 16-21, inclusive,

In a circular letter the secretary, Mr. Geo. Green, says:

"It is the determination of the management to leave nothing undone which will make the coming fair both instructive and pleasing to its patrons, and to this end we cordially invite your aid and assistance in helping us to arrange a 'Speed Program' that will meet the requirements of horsemen and give us a series of good

"We shall offer \$2,000 in race purses with the usual entrance fee of 5 per cent. and 5 per cent. additional from money winners, the program to be so arranged as to have three races (two trotting, or trotting and pacing, and one running) on Tuesday, Wednesday, Thursday and Friday of said week.

"We will be glad to hear from you at ing on them a license tax of \$1,000 a ulation in Cape Colony join their Trans- your very earliest convenience as to what man killed this year by a posse of which vour opinion will be most likely to fill and give the best satisfaction to the horsemen who attend our meeting.

WILL SEAT TAYLOR.

Harlan County Republicans Offer Their Services. With Them State Board'of Elections' Decision Cuts No Figure. Urey Woodson Says It Will Decide for Goebel.

Louisville, Ky., Nov. 20.-The Commercial (Republican) today says:

The following communication from Harlan county talks to the point:

"We, together with 1,000 other ablebodied citizens of this county, have tendered our services to Gov. Bradley and Gen. W. S. Taylor to inaugurate Gen. Taylor and maintain him in the office to which he was elected, however any state board or legislature may decide.

(Signed)—"A. B. Connett, county judge; S. N. French, county attorney; W. S. Hensley, sheriff of Harlan county; J. S. Bailey, chairman Republican committee: H. H. Howard, commissioner Harlan circuit court; J. S. Kelly, United States commissioner; John B. Hurst, postmaster; M. W. Howard, clerk Harlan circuit court; C. A. Eversole, attorney at law.

Harlan is one of the strongly Republi-can counties of the 11th district.

Will Decide for Goebel.

Chicago, Nov. 20 .- National Committeeman Urey Woodson, of Kentucky, who was present at today's meeting of the national Democratic executive committee. said there was no doubt that the state board of elections of Kentucky would award the certificate of election to Goebel. He said that Mr. Goebel will not contest the case if the board of elections decides against him. Former Senator Joseph Blackburn, Mr. Woodson said, will be elected United States senator.

J. E. Hood guarantees every bottle of Chamberlain's Cough Remedy and will refund the money to any one who is not satisfied after using two-thirds of the contents. This is the best remedy in the world for la grippe, coughs, colds, and whooping cough and is pleasant and safe to take. It prevents any tendency of a cold to result in pneumonia.

Interesting North Carolina Items

In Condensed Form.

The steamer Neuse, after being thororoughly overhauled at Norfolk, after having run ashore near Pamlice river, has again resumed her regular run.

The man Jefferson, who murdered Capt. Barnes, of Wilson, and who was tried, convicted and sentenced to be hanged, has been granted a new trial.

A young white man named Peedin attempted to commit snicide at Raleigh Friday night by taking laudanum, but was prevented. Inability to secure work, he gave as the cause. It is learned that he was once in the insane asylum.

Asheville Citizen: The board of directors of public schools has emphatically instructed the county superintendents not to pay for one stick of wood as it recognized no authority given it to do so in the school law of North Carolina.

Lincolnton Journal: A distressing affair occurred near Johnstown Friday A 5-year old son of Hamp. Queen, during the absence of its parents, got hold of a jug of whiskey and drank a considerable quantity of it. It fell into a stupor from which it was impossible to arouse it, and died the next day.

The secretary of state has incorporated the Pembroke Manufacturing company of Newbern. The business of the corporation will be the manufacture of fabrice of all sorts. The capital stock is \$75,000, divided into shares of \$100 par value. The stockholders may meet and organize when \$25,000 has been subscribed.

Reidsville Review: The remains of Mr. Nat K. Graves passed Reidsville yesterday en route to Yanceyville, the former home of the deceased. Mr. Graves was murdered at Round Lake, Miss., Sunday night, by a crazy negro, as was also Arthur Maxman, a gentleman with whom Mr. Graves lived. The deceased was well known here. His remains were buried yesterday at Yanceyville.

At Lenoir, Saturday, ex-Sheriff Pritch-ard and Jacob Blalock, of Mitchell coun ty, attempted to arrest Hunneyout, the murderer of Greer Phillips. Hunneyout shot and killed Blalock, and Pritchard a moment later killed Hunneycut. Pritchard, who killed Hunneycut, is a brother of Senator Pritchard. This is the second he was a member. On the other occasion Mr. Pritchard was badly wounded.

Wilson News: Mrs. Annie L. Gotham has entered suit against the Western Union Telegraph company for \$5,000 damage for its faiture to deliver promptly a telegram announcing the death of her father, Hon. John E. Woodurd being her attorney. Yesterday Mr. Robert Strong, of Raleigh, North Carolina counsel for the telegraph company, was in Wilson looking after the interest of that company in the matter, and the case has been transferred to the federal court for the eastern district of North Carolina.

Nearly All the Cotton Picked. Charlotte Observer.

Our Raleigh correspondent said yesterday that practically all the cotton in the State is now picked. If it is not it is difficult to conceive why not, for there is rarely such a season for the gathering of crops as this has been. With but an occasional day for an exception, the weather has been perfect. As to the cotton farmer this has been a two-fold ben-efit; it has enabled him to pick his crop, and the cotton has been so little damaged by rain as to be of rarequality. Thus, while the crop is undoubtedly short, large recomp use is found in the improved price for what there is and for the uniformly high grade, so that even the cotton-grower in this year of our Lord has something to be thankful

A Bad Pair to Drew To.

Henderson Gold Leaf.

Two of a kind-Jeter Pritchard and Marion Butler—a nice pair for decent people to withdraw from.

A friend in need is a friend inde That is exactly what Chambe Cough Remedy is. It is the m help when she is suddenly awake the night by the ominous busky