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## STATE NEWS.

Interesting North Carolina Items  
In Condensed Form.

Mr. Chas. F. Warren, of Washington, announces himself a candidate for the Democratic nomination for attorney general.

It will probably be the latter part of the week before announcement is made as to how many of the 48 applicants for attorney's license passed the ordeal of supreme court.

Mrs. Smith, widow of the late Chief Justice William V. Smith, died at her home in Raleigh Tuesday, aged 78. She was a native of Murfreesboro and her family name was Wise.

It is stated that Jno. D. Grimsley, of Greene county, will be given the position of stamp clerk in Duncan's revenue office at Raleigh, made vacant by the death of Mr. Roberts, of Newbern.

Morganton News: The 2-year-old daughter of Mr. Charles Taylor, who lives near the depot, was so badly burned Wednesday evening that she died in about eight hours after the accident.

A. E. Holton, chairman of the Republican State executive committee, has opened headquarters in Greensboro. He is preparing to enter at once upon the active work of the campaign, which will be directed mainly against the proposed constitutional amendment.

Raleigh Post: Mr. T. B. Parker, business manager of the Farmers' Alliance, was a visitor in the city yesterday. Mr. Parker says the shoe factory has been closed down and will not be operated again until the spring. It was found unprofitable to operate the shoe factory during the cold weather.

A special, Feb. 7th, from Charlotte says: The smallpox situation here is growing serious. Four new cases—all negroes—have been discovered within the last 24 hours. All pupils in the graded schools who have not been vaccinated will be vaccinated tomorrow and Friday. Physicians are hampered by negroes concealing cases.

Goldsboro Argus: In the damage suit of W. F. Ross against the Southern railway for injuries to his wife, caused by a passing train scaring a mule she was holding and causing it to rear and injure her, the jury returned a verdict last night for \$4,050 in favor of the plaintiff. A motion to set aside the verdict will be heard at April term of court.

Some days ago, says the Raleigh News-Observer, the average sales of fertilizer tags for the first 25 days of the past three years were printed, and at that time the sales of 1900 showed no material gain over last year. Since Jan. 23d, however, the sales have gained materially until they now exceed the sales up to the 5th of February, 1899, by about 10 per cent. This is taken to mean more cotton this year.

Raleigh Cor. Messenger: Three weeks ago Republicans here who declared they were "on the inside" were heard to offer to make bets that Pearson and not Crawford would be given the seat in congress from the Ninth district. They offered odds that this would be the result. They knew what their party proposed to do. Ninth district Democrats here said today that the report of the majority committee against Crawford and the well-understood purpose of the Republicans to unseat him were a shame and an outrage, and without a shadow of justification.

A peculiar crime was punished in the criminal court in Halifax county last week. Two colored men were indicted under a charge of false pretense for placing a piece of iron which weighed over 50 pounds in a bale of cotton. It was sold and one of them received the money for it. When it reached Sprunt's compress at Wilmington, it came very near ruining the costly machinery. It was traced back, the criminals found and indicted. One turned State's evidence against the other, and the State's witness was let off with cost, while the other man was sentenced to four years in the penitentiary.

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## INSURGENTS SLAUGHTER SIX.

Privates of the Thirty-Second Regiment Caught in a Trap.

Manila, Feb. 7.—The insurgents Monday captured a supply train of nine bull carts between Orani and Dinalupijan, killing a corporal and five privates of company G, Thirty-second Infantry. The escort consisted of a sergeant and eleven mounted men.

The insurgents weakened the supports of a bridge over a creek, and the first cart went into the stream. While the escort was bunched trying to haul the cart out of the water, the insurgents fired a volley from the bushes, killing the six Americans and also two native drivers.

The insurgent Filipinos have attacked the first battalion of the Forty-fifth Infantry near Viac. A major and a captain were wounded and one sergeant killed, but details of the engagement are lacking.

Ships arriving from Legaspi report that the insurgent Gen. Pana concentrated a large force about the top of the town and made a sharp night attack on Maj. Shipton's battalion of the Forty-seventh Infantry, which occupied a large convent as a fort. One battalion and a battery have sailed as reinforcements for Shipton. The casualties are unknown.

A corporal and four men, while patrolling the railroad near Mabacalat recently, disappeared and are supposed to have been captured. A searching party looking for them was ambushed and a corporal killed.

## INTERNATIONAL BIMETALISM.

Finance Committee's Amendment to The Financial Bill.


Washington, Feb. 6.—The senate finance committee today reported a new section to the financial bill, as follows:

"That the provisions of this act are not intended to place any obstacles in the way of the accomplishment of international bimetalism, provided the same be received by concurrent action of the leading commercial nations of the world, and at a ratio which shall insure permanence of relative value between gold and silver."

The amendment was offered by Senator Aldrich, chairman. The Democrats received it with a sarcastic smile. There was but little discussion. Senator Aldrich said, in reply to questions, that the object of the amendment was to meet the criticism that the Republicans had abandoned the position for international bimetalism taken by it in the St. Louis convention.

The vote on the amendment showed a strict division on party lines, Senator Jones, of Nevada, not voting.

Col. Robt. L. Abernethy, a prosperous farmer near Charlotte, lost his saw mill, ginhouse, corn mill, barn and their entire contents by fire. Everything was a total loss, including machinery and boilers. The fire, it is supposed, originated from a spark from a passing engine.



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## GENERAL NEWS.

Matters of Interest Condensed into Brief Paragraphs.

Thomas R. Bard, Republican, has been elected U. S. senator from California to succeed Stephen M. White, Democrat.

Judge Taft, of the Federal circuit court, has been appointed president of the new Philippine commission. It is said he will be the first civil governor of the Philippines.

The house committee on claims favorably reported Tuesday the Cooper bill for the payment of the southern cotton claims. The bill involves the payment of \$10,000,000.

There was a total of 408 deaths in Bombay, India, Tuesday. This great number was unprecedented in that bubonic plague stricken city. The situation is aggravated by the advent of famine refugees.

At Jackson, Miss., Wednesday the senate passed a concurrent resolution exempting all cotton and woolen factories hereafter established in Mississippi from taxation for a period of ten years. A poll shows that the measure will pass the house.

As a result of scandals in the dispensary state board of control, in which members preferred charges against each other, the house of representatives of South Carolina, by a three-fourths vote, passed the section of the senate bill removing from office the entire board of five.

A disastrous fire occurred Wednesday at Carrabelle, Fla., caused by spontaneous combustion of turpentine and oil in the store of the Franklin Lumber company. The flames quickly spread, and in two hours time the custom house and passenger depot and freight warehouse of the Carrabelle, Georgia & Tallahassee railroad, together with the telegraph and express offices, postoffice, steamboat wharf, city market and other buildings were a mass of ruins. Loss over \$50,000. The city had just recovered from the wreck made by the cyclone in August last, and this blow is crushing.

A dispatch from Washington, Feb. 7th, says: It is apparent from statements of senators and representatives who talked to President McKinley this morning that ratification of the canal treaty in its present shape is impossible. The knowledge that the convention is regarded as a surrender to England came as a great surprise to administration officers, but they have promptly appreciated the situation and already admit privately that their pet treaty is practically dead. There has been no concealment for the past 24 hours of the belief of the president and secretary of state that the Clayton-Bulwer treaty is still in force. This admission was promptly seized upon by the opposition as their most effective argument, regarding it as very singular and significant in view of the assertions of past administrations for many years that England abrogated that treaty when she entered upon control of Central American territory. This consideration and the fact that the claim prohibiting fortifying the canal is generally unpopular at the capitol, appear to be insurmountable obstacles to the treaty, and it is with much regret that the administration makes the admission that a diplomatic agreement has been framed that will not stand the test of examination and criticism.

## BULLER IN BATTLE.

His Forces Recross the Tugela and Take a Small Hill. Boers Attack Gatacre at Sterkstroom.

Spearman's Camp, Feb. 7.—Gen. Buller commenced the advance for the relief of Ladysmith Monday. The naval guns opened at seven in the morning and a feint attack was made in front of our position. Three battalions advanced toward the Brakfontein with six batteries.

At 11 o'clock the Boers opened with artillery fire and sent several shells among the British infantry, who retired an hour later.

Meanwhile a vigorous attack was made on the extreme right, where the engineers expeditiously constructed a position. Several pieces of cannon, hidden among the trees on Swartskop, were advanced and the Boers were entirely surprised.

At 4 o'clock a high hill, named the Klants Kloof, a continuation of the Brakfontein, had been taken. The operations were excellently planned. The bombardment of the Boer position was resumed this (yesterday) morning. The Boers worked a disappearing cannon

from the high Doorn Kloof range, on the right of the captured hill; but the British shells exploded its magazine, and the gun was put out of action until late in the day.

Musketry fire was intermittent until the afternoon when the Boers made a determined effort to retake the hill.

Reinforcements rushed up cheering, the Boers were repulsed and the British advanced along the ridge.

## The Boer Account.

Boer Headlaager, Ladysmith, Feb. 6.—Since yesterday the British, with naval and other guns, have bombarded our positions on the Upper Tugela. The troops crossed the river at the point and at Molen Drift with the object of storming our positions. At the former, Gen. Burger beat them back and they recrossed in great confusion. The fighting continues at Molen Drift with the Standerton and Johannesburg commands. There were no casualties on our side.

The cannonade was the fiercest yet experienced. There was a continuous roaring all day long. This morning it recommenced with an increased number of guns.

## Heavy British Loss.

Boer Headlaager, Ladysmith, Feb. 6.—Further reports of yesterday's fighting at the upper Tugela River show that the British lost heavily at Pont Drift, but took an important position on a small kopje, on the Molen Drift side. Four Boers were killed. The British loss is unknown. They are still in possession of the kopje and the big guns have ceased firing.

## BOERS ATTACK GATACRE.

Battle Begun at Sterkstroom. Anxiety of the British Public.

London, Feb. 7.—A dispatch from Sterkstroom dated this morning announced that the Boers are attacking Gen. Gatacre from two directions. Firing was then proceeding between the outposts. A delayed Sterkstroom dispatch, dated Monday, Feb. 6th, says that a body of troops left the camp Feb. 3rd and that important developments were expected. It is quite probable that this explains Lord Roberts' departure and that the commander-in-chief wishes either to be present at or supervise the long intended movement by Gen. Gatacre to join forces with Gen. Kelly-Kenny, and thence strongly reinforce Gen. French, completing the latter's work at Colesberg and establishing without fear of serious opposition the advanced position for the main movements. This, however, does not indicate that the main advance has begun. The commanders will probably be back at Cape Town within a short time. It is pointed out that the term going to the front must not be interpreted into the idea that a great movement upon Pretoria, by way of Bloombfontein, has seriously commenced. It will be a month or perhaps much longer, before this can be brought about. In the meanwhile, the preliminary steps are likely to enliven the campaign with sharp fighting, and news from Sterkstroom, Thebus and Colesberg is eagerly awaited.

## British Move Stayed.

London, Feb. 8.—A special dispatch from Spearman's Camp, dated Feb. 7th, says:

"Our further advance is at the moment prevented, as the Boers enfilade us from their positions on Spion Kop and Doorn Kloof. Our casualties, although estimated at 250, are trifling considering the great importance of the movement just concluded."

## Boer Attack Failed at Sterkstroom.

Sterkstroom, Feb. 8.—The Boers' main attack failed and they retreated, and the British cavalry is pursuing them.

## British Position at Vaal Krans Secure.

Spearman's Camp—Wednesday night, Feb. 7th.—The British position at Vaal Krans is secure. The infantry advanced today along the ridge, driving the Boers before them.

## His Anxiety Ended.

Little Jack prays every night for all the different members of his family. His father had been away at one time for a short journey, and that night Jack was praying for him as usual. "Bless papa and take care of him," he was beginning as usual when suddenly he raised his head and listened.

"Never mind about it now, Lord," ended the little fellow. "I hear him down in the night."

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## TAYLOR HESITATES

To Sign the Agreement for Peace. He Is Not Satisfied With the Terms. On the Track of the Assassin.

Frankfort, Ky., Feb. 7.—It is stated on excellent authority that Taylor has decided not to sign the Louisville agreement in its present shape. He desires several changes in it, and practically a definite statement regarding the repeal of the Goebel law. He is anxious that a conference be held in Louisville on Friday night at which these changes will be discussed and made. Today he arranged a conference here tonight to inform the Republican leaders of the views and advising with them regarding the further demands to be made upon the Democracy.

## Republicans Hold Different Views.

Louisville, Ky., Feb. 7.—The Republicans of this city are not agreed as to the wisdom of closing the negotiations on the basis of the agreement reached Tuesday night. Postmaster T. H. Baker and some other Federal officers think the sacrifice should be made in the interest of peace, while the press and the anti-administration faction of the city believe the fight should be kept up.

Mr. John Marshall, Republican lieutenant governor, who was one of the signers of the agreement, said this afternoon that so many protests were being made by the Republicans against the terms of the peace agreement that he was doubtful if it would be signed. He said: "The terms of the agreement as published are taken to be literally correct, while such is not the case. There have been several errors in the published statement. The Republican meeting at Music Hall tonight is on the idea that the agreement has been published, but it has not been given out correctly."

## Democratic Legislators.

A majority of the Democratic members of the legislature are in the city, and until Friday at least, the headquarters of that body will remain here. About 30 Democratic members came from Cincinnati today. Twenty or more have been here since Sunday, while others are at their homes at nearby towns.

Sessions of both houses were held at the Fifth Avenue hotel at 1 o'clock, and 40 members of the house responded to their names when Speaker Trimble called that body to order. A quorum not being present, the sergeant-at-arms was ordered to secure the attendance of absent members. The house then adjourned until tomorrow.

Similar action was taken in the senate, where President Carter and 12 members were present. The meeting tomorrow will be held simply to comply with the law.

By Friday it is expected that a quorum of each house will be present. If that is the case the legislature will adjourn to meet Monday in Frankfort, if the peace negotiations are in a satisfactory state; if not, regular business will be taken up, and the sessions will be continued in this city, in accordance with the plans which were being carried out last Sunday when the overtures for a peace conference were made.

## On the Track of the Assassin.

Frankfort, Feb. 7.—William Pinkerton, the detective, arrived in Frankfort last night, and is investigating the assassination of Goebel. He was taken through the capitol grounds, and the spot where Goebel fell was shown him. Arthur and Justus Goebel have employed Col. Campbell, of New York, formerly of Cincinnati, to aid in running down the assassin. Col. Campbell is only one of the several lawyers who have been retained by the Goebel brothers. He came to Frankfort today, and will remain, it is said, until arrests are made.

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