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GENERAL NEWS.

Matters of Interest Condensed Into Brief Paragraphs.

Smallpox has developed in a mild form at Yale College.

The house on Monday refused to concur in the senate amendments to the Porto Rican relief bill.

Admiral Dewey was greeted by immense crowds upon his arrival at Savannah, Ga., Monday night.

The Port Gibson, Miss., compass, in which was stored 2,000 bales of cotton, was burned Sunday. Loss \$100,000, fully covered by insurance.

Lieut. Hobson, the hero of the Merrimac, has given a flagpole, made of the masts of the Don Juan de Austria and the Almirante Oquendo, to the state of Alabama.

Chas. Humphries, a negro, was lynched 60 miles from Phoenix City, Ala., Sunday, for entering the room of a white girl the night before. He confessed the attempt and was shot to death.

Fire Monday morning destroyed the business portion of Prattville, Ala. All the buildings on Main street, with the exception of two, were burned. The loss will amount to over \$60,000, with \$10,000 insurance.

Frank Cass, 18 years old, was killed at Lovin Lake, Sunday in a friendly boxing bout with Bert Whidden. In the eighth round Whidden struck Cass with a six-ounce glove on the left side of the neck. Death resulted in half an hour. Cass weighed 170 pounds, being 20 pounds heavier than Whidden.

The Turkish government, in reply to the Russian demands for exclusive railway rights in Asia Minor, has proposed a compromise whereby the railways would be constructed by Russia and Turkey in partnership. The Russian embassy insists upon the original demands, which the Turkish military commission strenuously opposes.

The Vendome Hotel (Chicago) suicide and the woman he killed Saturday have been identified as M. Goldfias, proprietor of a cigar and confectionery store on west Fourteenth street, and Jennie Liss, 14 years old, an employe of a cigar factory. Although of tender years, she had been keeping company with Goldfias for some time. It is asserted that the man was inattentive with her, and that he probably killed her in a fit of jealousy. Goldfias was 30 years old and married.

Mad dogs have caused a panic in several localities of the Pee Dee section in South Carolina. Sam Nelson, of Statesburg, bitten some weeks ago, died of hydrophobia, after suffering the worst form of the malady, and another man, name unknown, is reported to have died in Sumter county Saturday. Sunday, in a few hours, in Sumter, \$400 was raised by public subscription to send Sam E. Shaw and his three children to the Pasteur Institute.

TO AID MAFEKING.

Lord Methuen In Command of Mounted Relief Column. Fighting North of Kimberley. Official Report of Boer Losses. Boer Amazons to the Defense.

London, March 19.—The relief of Mafeking, if not already accomplished, is most certain to be announced in a few days. Lord Methuen is leading a relief force from Kimberley, and a Times special from Bulawayo reports Col. Plumer at Lobatsi, about forty miles north of Mafeking.

Fighting North of Kimberley. Cape Town, Sunday, March 18.—The mounted force from Kimberley proceeding to the relief of Mafeking, under command of Lord Methuen, has arrived at Warrenton. As the force neared Wind-sorton the Boers evacuated the town, blowing up the bridge.

The advance column, Col. Drummond and Peakman commanding, had a sharp engagement with 500 Boers at Fourteen Streams. The British succeeded in driving the Boers off. They had only a few casualties.

Garrison on Quarter Rations. Lourenzo Marques, Sunday, March 18.—A dispatch from Mafeking, dated Saturday, March 10, says: "The garrison is holding its own. We have heard numerous rumors that the siege will be raised, but so far that is not the case. We are pegging along patiently on quarter rations, supplemented by the occasional capture of cattle."

Official Report of Boer Losses. Pretoria, Friday, March 16.—The chief of the intelligence department, Molen-graaf, announces that the federal losses, prior to the relief of Kimberley and Ladysmith were: Killed 677; wounded, 2,129. Accidents, sickness, and other disabling causes, he asserts, brings the total to 4,351.

INSTITUTE ITEMS.

March 19, 1900.

Mr. Troy Rouse, of near Kinston, spent Sunday here.

Mrs. L. J. Vause is visiting relatives in Jones county.

Miss Lucy Turnage is visiting friends near Jason this week.

Mr. Hugh Hollowell, of Hookerton, spent Friday night here.

Annie Blackman, colored, died here Friday night at the age of 97 years.

Elder Barfield, of Ayden, spent Saturday and Sunday at Mr. A. T. Dawson's.

Miss Lula Taylor, of near Hookerton, is visiting her brother, Mr. A. W. Taylor.

Mr. Mark Hardy and sister, Miss Mollie, left Friday to visit relatives at Trenton.

Mess. Albert White and Henry Allen went to Cadez Friday and returned Sunday.

Mr. Guy Dawson, of Ayden, spent Saturday night and Sunday with his parents here.

Mr. Leon Aldridge, of Hookerton, spent Saturday night and Sunday at Mr. S. P. Hardy's.

Miss Helen Newbold, of LaGrange, spent Saturday and Sunday visiting Miss Mande Dawson.

Miss Maude Pollock, of Cadez, who had been visiting her sister, Mrs. G. F. Allen, returned home Friday.

Mr. and Mrs. W. H. Claytor and Mr. Jake Rhodes and sister, Miss Amanda, of Kinston, spent Sunday at Mr. S. P. Hardy's.

COAHOMA ITEMS.

March 15, 1900.

Mr. Fred Sutton has just taken a trip in Pitt county.

Miss Fannie Smith visited in Jones county a few days since.

Mr. Forrest W. Kennedy visited friends near Institute the past week.

Misses Sue and Eula Smith attended services at Shady Grove Sunday.

Miss Augusta Robinson has returned home, having finished her school.

Mr. Thos. Sutton is erecting a neat cottage near his father's, he says, to put tobacco in. Humor does not say so.

Several of our young men attended the dance at the close of the public school near Beaver Dam church Friday night.

Regular services at Armenia were held by the pastor, Rev. C. W. Howard, last Sabbath. The day was beautiful and the attendance was good.

Mr. Sam A. Carraway, of "Monticello," was in our neighborhood recently, stopping at Mr. N. B. Wooten's, at which place he was given a party by the young ladies of the family.

If you will permit we would say we have heard several favorable comments on the course taken by THE FREE PRESS in the Klige-Duke-Trinity matter. The people like a free and open expression of opinion.

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transfer of the Free State government to Kronstadt.

"Gen. Gatacre's whole force, artillery and transport, has crossed the river, and is now camped two miles north of Bethulle."

"Norvalpont, March 16.—A pontoon 800 feet long was constructed yesterday in a few hours. The cavalry and two batteries of artillery immediately crossed. The principal part of the convoys under Capt. Shackleton, transport officer, crossed safely today. Trains from Bloemfontein with troops arrived at North river this afternoon."

"Gatacre is at Springfontein."

Aliwal North, March 17.—Over 250 rebels surrendered yesterday and 150 more are now outside the town. Rebel commandants are still with Olivier beyond Rouxville, but practically all the rebels have left, the enemy being dismissed to their homes. All promised good behavior in the future.

A dispatch to the Daily News from Bloemfontein, dated Friday, March 16, says: "Events have occurred which induce some to predict that the war will last only so long as it takes to march to Pretoria. The educated Boers, even the Transvaalers, are ready to accept the inevitable. I am told that a corps of 2,000 women has been formed at Pretoria. It is called the Amazon Corps. All the members are uniformed in kilts, and are armed."

LaGRANGE ITEMS.

FREE PRESS BUREAU. LaGRANGE, March 19, 1900.

Mess. Albert Uzzell and Robt. Edwards, of Goldsboro, were here Sunday.

Rev. W. G. Johnston, of Kinston, is the guest of Rev. D. H. Petree today.

Mess. Ben and Henry Sutherland, of Mt. Olive, spent Sunday at Mr. A. S. Wooten's.

Dr. Burner, who with his assistants has been giving free shows here the past week, left for Snow Hill this morning.

Mr. R. B. Shaw and family, of Charlotte, are stopping at Hotel Fields until they can arrange to move into Mr. John Willis Sutton's house. Mr. Shaw is manager of the Osceola canning factory.

A POOR DEPENDENCE

Transvaal Government Believes United States Will Bring About Peace.

London, March 19.—A Lourenzo Marques dispatch to the Times says: "Secretary of State Reitz, in an interview at Pretoria, said the Transvaal government considered the American reply highly satisfactory, and believed America would bring such pressure to bear as would result in a settlement agreeable to the people of the republics. While admitting the seriousness of the situation, Reitz is convinced that the burghers of the two republics will enthusiastically defend the independence of the Transvaal to the last."

"Whatever the original intention, it now seems that the object of sending a peace deputation to Europe is to secure European intervention. The Volkstein confesses that the Boers are not sanguine of any great results of the deputation, but urges on the burghers that the success of the mission largely depends upon the exercise of persistent courage until such time as the deputation may have made the case known."

GATACRE'S FORCE ACROSS.

Pontoon Over Orange River at Bethulle, Where Bridge Was Wrecked.

London, March 19.—A special to the Times from Cape Town, dated Saturday, says: "The correspondent of the Argus at Bethulle, Free State, telegraphs that Capt. Henning, of the mounted police, and Capt. Turner, with the scouts, entered Springfontein on the night of the 15th. They captured two engines, forty trucks and a number of prisoners, mostly Germans and Greeks belonging to the Johannesburg commando. The prisoners were sent to Bethulle."

Bethulle bridge is not so badly damaged as at first supposed. Bethulle is almost deserted by the Dutch, who are said to be greatly incensed by the reported annexation of the Free State by the Transvaal, and disconcerted by the

A. R. De Fluut, editor of The Journal, Doylestown, Ohio, suffered for a number of years from rheumatism in his right shoulder and side. He says: "My right arm at times was entirely useless. I tried Chamberlain's Pain Balm, and was surprised to receive relief almost immediately. The Pain Balm has been a constant companion of mine ever since and it never fails." For sale by J. E. Hood.

LaGRANGE ITEMS.

West Moseley Hall precinct Democratic primary was called to order by S. I. Wooten, chairman, and George B. W. Hadley was elected secretary pro tem. Mess. J. M. Hadley, Shade Wooten, Sr., and W. S. Uzzell, with the chair and secretary, were elected delegates to attend the convention at Kinston on March 24th. Mess. J. M. Hadley, W. S. Uzzell, Simeon Wooten, C. P. Barrow and N. W. Herring were elected executive committee.

East Moseley Hall precinct was called to order by H. V. Williams, chairman, and delegates and executive committee appointed as follows: Delegates—M. W. Ball, John T. Sutton, W. A. Thompson and Frank Langley. Executive committee—John W. Sutton, Jr., John N. Warters, J. M. Hodges, M. W. Ball and W. H. Burke.

J. A. BRYAN ENDORSED.

A committee representing both primaries assembled, drew up and adopted the following resolutions, endorsing Hon. James A. Bryan's administration of the A. & N. C. railroad:

Whereas, The Hon. James A. Bryan, president of the A. & N. C. railroad, has made substantial and much needed improvements in the passenger depot here, and has shown that he is equal to the task imposed upon him in the management of the road; and

Whereas, We recognize his efforts to advance the interests of our town, and also recognize him as a staunch Democrat, and an ardent supporter of white supremacy; therefore,

Resolved, First, that we, the business men and citizens of LaGrange and surrounding country, tender him our sincere thanks for his wise management of the A. & N. C. railroad. We thank him for the increased number of trains on the road, thereby accommodating the traveling public. We thank him for his kindness and gentle bearing toward all the patrons of the road.

Second, That we express our confidence in him as a wise and prudent business man, and also our approval of the policy he has adopted in the management of the road.

Third, That we pledge him our aid and support in his efforts to further the interests of the A. & N. C. railroad, and to advance the prosperity and welfare of our town, county and State.

Fourth, That these resolutions be published in THE KINSTON-FREE PRESS and the LaGrange Sentinel, and that a copy be sent to Mr. Bryan.

Does It Pay to Buy Cheap?

A cheap remedy for coughs and colds is all right, but you want something that will relieve and cure the more severe and dangerous results of throat and lung troubles. What shall you do? Go to a warmer and more regular climate? Yes, if possible; if not possible for you, then in either case take the ONLY remedy that has been introduced in all civilized countries with success in severe throat and lung troubles, "Boschee's German Syrup." It not only heals and stimulates the tissues to destroy the germ disease, but allays inflammation, causes easy expectoration, gives a good night's rest, and cures the patient. Try one bottle. Recommended many years by all druggists in the world. For sale by the Temple-Marston Drug Co.

STATE NEWS.

Interesting North Carolina Items in Condensed Form.

The unveiling of the Vance statue, in Capitol square, Raleigh, cannot take place May 30, as planned, but will occur July 4th.

The voters of Raleigh on Monday defeated the proposition to sell the old market house to raise money to build an auditorium, by a vote of 960 to 832.

At Weldon Saturday night Elijah Whitaker was advancing on Wm. Pugh with a pistol in one hand and a knife in the other. Pugh wrenched the pistol from the hand of Whitaker and shot him in the neck. Both colored. Pugh was jailed.

Newbern Journal: Deputy Collector C. M. Babbitt seized J. R. Rogers still at Newport and has removed the outfit to this city. There were 25 packages of whiskey. It was a government still and the seizure was made on account of irregularities.

Wilson News: Robert Fortune and John Taylor, the negroes hung at Nashville yesterday, are reported to have sold their bodies so Deputy Sheriff Warren for \$20, and the deputy to Dr. Whitehead of the State University for \$50. The bodies go to Raleigh to be embalmed and later on to Chapel Hill to be used before the medical class.

Admiral Dewey passed through Greensboro Monday on his way to Savannah and other points south. He went out on the platform when the train drew up to the station there and gave the people present an opportunity to see how the hero of Manila looked. There were only a few people present to see him, the early train and inclement weather not being conducive to hero worship.

Alonzo Brown, a white prisoner sentenced to six months for criminal assault, escaped from jail at Greenville Saturday. When the negro who waits on the jail finished feeding the prisoners up stairs he came down and failed to lock the corridor door. Brown seeing it unlocked waited until they were busy feeding the prisoners on the lower floor, when he opened the door and quietly stepped out. He had already served nearly half of his term.

At Tarboro Monday Tobe Harris shot West Speight, the ball lodging in the right side just above the hip. Harris was half drunk and snatched a rabbit Speight was cleaning and threw it on the floor at Ted & Hedges' stables. When Speight told him that Mr. Hedges would make him pay for it, Harris became angry and the two exchanged some words. Harris then went into the office, snatched a pistol out of a drawer, came out and fired it at Speight. Both colored.

Salisbury Truth-Index: His many Salisbury friends will be pained to learn of an accident that will cost Mr. M. E. Wyrick a hand. Mr. Wyrick some time ago moved to China Grove from Salisbury, but was preparing to move back to Salisbury shortly. The other morning he arose and went to his kitchen. While standing before the fireplace he was attacked with a fit and fell forward. His hand fell in a bed of live coals and before his condition and situation was discovered his hand was burned into a crisp.

At a conference of the executive committee and President McNeill, of the State Firemen's association, held at Wilmington Monday night, it was decided to hold the State annual convention and tournament in Wilmington, July 10 to 13. It was decided to add an interesting feature to the tournament in that the departments of Virginia, South Carolina and Georgia will be invited to attend with apparatuses and compete for prizes. The city will make elaborate arrangements for the entertainment of the firemen and visitors and will make it a sort of gala week affair.



Treachery

A persistent cough is at first a friend, for it gives warning of the approach of a deadly enemy. Heed the warning before it is too late, before your lungs become inflamed, before the doctor says, "Consumption."

When the danger signal first appears, help nature a little with

Ayer's Cherry Pectoral

Don't delay until your lungs are sore and your cold settled down deep in your chest. Kill the enemy before the deadly blow kills you. Cure your cough today.

A 25c. bottle is enough for a common cold; a 50c. bottle is better for bronchitis, asthma, and colds that hang on; the dollar size is most economical, especially for old cases.