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GENERAL NEWS.

Matters of Interest Condensed into Brief Paragraphs.

Bob Fitzsimmons has called off his match to fight Tom Sharkey, and made me to fight Kid McCoy.

The difficulties between Mr. Frick and Andrew Carnegie, of the steel trust, have, it is reported, been settled.

Dr. Hunter McGuire, of Richmond, Va., was stricken with paralysis Monday night and is still in a very critical condition.

The bubonic plague is fast increasing in India. In Bengal 4,725 deaths occurred last week. These included 744 deaths in Calcutta and 2,044 in Patna.

The Constantinople correspondent of the London Times announces that the Sultan has yielded in all essential particulars to the Russian demands respecting railway concessions in Asia Minor.

John A. Yancey, a well-known grocer of Danville, Va., committed suicide Tuesday night by taking two bottles of cyanide. His brother, Thos. Yancey, committed suicide two years ago in a similar manner.

The negro man who had been burglarizing so many houses in Norfolk, Va., was killed Tuesday morning by a policeman while attempting to arrest him after a burglary. His name was Brooks Ramsey, and he was a deck hand on a steamer.

Admiral Dewey was given an enthusiastic welcome at Savannah, Ga., Wednesday by 50,000 people on the streets. The admiral had recovered from his indisposition of Tuesday sufficiently for him to take part in the military parade and review arranged in his honor, and as he rode through the streets with Mrs. Dewey at his side, ringing cheers rent the air and waving colors made the scene one long to be remembered. Gen. Miles was present at the banquet at night.

At Vancouver, British Columbia, Tuesday, 2,000 Chinese were addressed by Long Tin, leader of the Chinese reform movement in Canada. Long Tin, who is a famous orator, worked the Chinese up to such a pitch of patriotic frenzy that when he asked for money to sow seeds of revolution in China, the audience fought to pour it into the big bowls set for its reception. Some gave their life savings; others all they possessed, selling their belongings to raise funds for the cause. In a few hours \$10,000 was raised from 2,000 poor Chinamen. The money will be sent to the outlaw Kang Yu Wei.

Application for the New 2s.
Washington, March 20.—The amount of bonds received at the treasury today, asking for new 2s, was \$10,000,000, making a total to date of \$87,000,000. Of this amount \$5,300,000 came from persons or institutions other than national banks.



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THE BITER BITTEN.

A Trick That Didn't Work Out Just as Was Expected.

There were three of them, and as they entered the German saloon on the corner the tall young man, who wore razzie dazze clothes and posed as "fast," remarked in an undertone to his companions that he would "show them something good."

They lined up at the bar, and the tall young man ordered three 5 cent drinks. When these were disposed of, he laid down 10 cents on the bar, at which the German proprietor remarked, "Nain; fifteen." The tall young man repocketed the coin and thus addressed the German:

"I just gave you 10 cents, didn't I?"

"Yah," responded the German.

"Well, here's 10 cents. That makes 20, so you owe me 5," added the young man, again depositing the dime on the bar.

The German looked bewildered, but placed the dime in the money drawer and handed the tall young man a half dollar, with the request that he deduct therefrom the 5 cents due him. The tall young man had just the correct change, 45 cents, left in his pocket. This he promptly handed to the German and received the half dollar. Then the three companions repaired to the street and indulged in a mighty laugh, while the tall young man swelled up like a prize turkey on parade. Everything went lovely until they parted company and the tall young man boarded a car for his home in the suburbs. Imagine his feelings when the conductor handed him back the 50 cents which he tendered in response to the request for fares with the information that the piece was "bad."

It was all the money he had, and he could not persuade the conductor to trust him, so he was ejected at the next corner and had to walk the remaining five miles to his home.—Chicago Journal.

TRAINING OF ANIMALS.

Only Accomplished, It Is Said, by the Use of the Whip.

The popular theory that animals can be taught tricks by firmness and kindness is a grim error, according to a veteran circus man who has sent forth the dictum that no animal was ever trained to do anything unnatural except by punishment. If it knows hunger or pain will follow disobedience, it will obey.

It takes the whip to break the colt to harness or saddle, but the end justifies the means, and the animal's intelligence when once it has learned its lesson does away with further use of the whip. But if a horse is taught tricks, such as one sees in a circus, the constant use of the whip is necessary, and the little pat on the neck the trainer gives the animal in public is not bestowed in private. There is never any let up in their training.

Trained dogs always appeal to women and children, for the little animals appear to thoroughly enjoy their work. But the barking and frisking are only the natural joy of the poor beasts at being let out of the cramped quarters where they stay when they are not in the ring. Moreover, they know the trainer does not whip them in public. There is scarcely a trick a trained dog does that he likes or that he will do at order unless punished. Willis Cobb was the first dog trainer to make a reputation, and when he was middle aged he abandoned his profession because, he said, he had not the heart to go on making a living by whipping dogs.—Cleveland World.

Rather Cold Blooded.

Of the tactics of infantry there is no end, but there are some simple rules for the individual foot soldier to remember when lost in the chaos of battle. If you cannot bayonet your enemy, shoot him. If he goes away, aim at the base of his spine. But do not let your attention be distracted from business by the consideration that other people are making a mark of you. It is your duty to kill the highest possible number of those opposed to you, not to save your own skin.—"How Soldiers Fight," by F. Norreys-Connell.

CROWN COLONIES.

British Figure to Administer the Transvaal Republics as Crown Colonies.

London, March 21, 4:50 a. m.—While there is a lull in the military operations, the political heat surrounding shows interesting developments. The colonial office has telegraphed to Cape Town the text of the proclamation claiming the destruction of property. This will not be published in London until after its promulgation in South Africa, but it is known that it will convey an intimation that any wanton destruction of British property during the war will be regarded as warranting a claim for compensation and as justifying a levy upon private property, should the resources of the Transvaal republic prove inadequate. The fact that the proclamation is issued by the colonial office is regarded as a significant indication that the republics will be administered as crown colonies. In this connection it is understood the leaders of opposition in parliament now admit that no other settlement is possible, since the republics insist upon their demand for absolute independence. In view of this, the efforts of the Liberals will be confined to securing in the settlement the best treatment for the dense population, including security against their disfranchisement.

Boers Blow Up Bridges.

Cape Town, March 20.—The Boers have blown up the bridges north of Bloemfontein, including those at Winburg and Kroonsadt, and are now retreating to the north.

"LIBERTY OR DEATH."

Kruger Says Boers Are in the Hands of God. They Will Not Yield. He Despises Lord Salisbury's Threats.

London, March 20.—In a Pretoria dispatch received today President Kruger is reported as saying that he will die in the trenches defending Pretoria before he will yield to Great Britain. "Better death for me than no liberty," he said. "This war was forced upon us by England, which has been misled by Cecil Rhodes and the mining millionaires who want the country. The Boers yielded as far as possible; until they saw that nothing but complete surrender would satisfy England."

Having been forced into the war, the Boers will conquer or die. I expect no aid from other nations, but we are glad of sympathy and friendship. The Transvaal is willing to make peace at any time, but we want no more conventions. Only absolute independence is possible. We do not want more territory, but are content with our present frontier, if we are permitted to live peacefully. This is all we ask.

"The Transvaal will stipulate in the peace terms that the Natal and Cape Colony Dutch, now fighting with the Boers, shall be regarded as belligerents and suffer no loss of property. I recently learned that some of these men had been captured by the British and were being tried at Cape Town, charged with treason. This government cabled Lord Salisbury, stating that if such men were not treated as prisoners of war we would make reprisals on British prisoners held here. Lord Salisbury replied, dodging the real point, and threatened if we injured a single British prisoner to hold me personally responsible. I suppose he meant the British would hang me. Such threats are contemptible and cannot prevent me from performing my duty to my country. The Transvaal government replied today, informing Lord Salisbury that they despise his threats.

"There is no truth in the story of a conspiracy among the South African Dutch. This is not their quarrel. The Orange Free State is bound by treaty made with us. Mr. Schreiner repeatedly urged us to yield.

"It is too early to prophesy the outcome of the war or its duration. The Boers are in God's hands and He will not let us perish. Our total fighting strength is but 40,000, but with God's help we can prevail. I have 200 blood relatives fighting, and would rather see them all perish than yield to England's unholy aggression. It is liberty or death. I have protected British property in the Transvaal, and shall continue to do so."

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WARM TIME IN NEWBERN.

Hot Local Fight in Democratic Primaries. Both Sides United on the Main Question.

Newbern, March 21.—The hottest political fight the Democratic party has ever seen in Craven county was fought to a finish at the primaries in Newbern last night.

Business yesterday was partially suspended and active canvassing for the opposing tickets for delegates to the county convention to meet next Saturday was carried on all day. The fight was on old lines, the Atlantic and North Carolina railroad being the bone of contention. It was a strictly local fight. Both sides whoop it up for the amendment and to carry the county for white supremacy. Meantime, the result of the primaries is so close that only a test vote in the convention will decide it. The city is about a tie and the county is still uncertain. C. T. Watson will be elected county chairman. The convention Saturday will witness the liveliest scene ever pictured in Craven county.

Friday night the second ward White Supremacy club will listen to Hon. F. M. Simmons at the court house and the other five clubs will join in. It is presumed that Mr. Simmons will endeavor to pour oil on the troubled waters, but the general desire is to be "let alone," as it is a local matter and the State will not suffer.

THE PRESIDENT'S AMBITION.

Gen. Wallace Says He Is Attempting to Found a Colonial Empire.

Indianapolis, March 20.—Gen. Lew Wallace, author, diplomat and scholar, who served as a delegate to the St. Louis convention and was one of the original McKinley men in Indiana, today addressed an open letter to the Republicans of the state, in which he charges that President McKinley is attempting to make colonies of Porto Rico and the Philippines, to be governed by himself as a colonial empire. He declares that the president is negotiating for the islands of St. Thomas and St. Croix, and that he is controlling congress through patronage. Gen. Wallace's letter contains a draft of an amendment to the constitution which he suggests should be adopted as a bar to the president's purpose.

Golden Fears Assassination.

Lexington, Ky., March 20.—Sergeant F. Wharton Golden, Republican militiaman from Barbourville, who has turned state's evidence and proposes to tell who were in the plot to kill William Goebel, arrived here tonight from Winchester. He was placed in a closed carriage and taken to the home of a friend in the northern part of the city, where he will be kept until wanted in Frankfort to testify. Golden fears assassination, and detectives will keep guard over the house in which he is staying until he leaves. Tomorrow the attorneys for the prosecution will come here and bring other witnesses, and all the latter and Golden will be made to rehearse what they are expected to swear on the witness stand. Commonwealth's Attorney Franklin has instructed Golden not to talk to newspaper men. He refused to make a public statement.

Two Women Candidates.

Topeka, Kan., March 21.—Coffeyville is excited over the contest for city clerk between Miss Elliott, the Republican nominee, and Miss Rose Bell, a school-teacher, the nominee on the citizens' ticket.

The late Capt. D. S. Elliott, of the Twentieth Kansas, killed in the Philippines, formerly held the office. His daughter was his deputy and she has administered the affairs of the office since his death. Meetings are held every night and committees of men and women are canvassing the town for votes for their favorites.

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STATE NEWS.

Interesting North Carolina Items in Condensed Form.

There were 300 conversions at High Point during Rev. K. G. Person's revival there.

Bishop Galloway raised nearly \$1,500 at Raleigh Sunday for the "Twentieth Century Movement."

A chicken attacked a child a few miles from Scotland Neck and spurred it so badly it died from the wounds.

Another increase has been made in the stock of the Harriet Cotton Mill, at Henderson, making it \$300,000.

Mr. Jacob Bates, of Wilkes county, died last Sunday. He was a centenarian, being over 100 years old, and the oldest citizen of Wilkes county.

Salisbury Sun: Mr. John K. Goodman, of Mt. Ulla, this county, has made a new and useful improvement in the way of a combined land roller, stalk chopper and clod crusher, for which a patent has recently been allowed.

Mrs. Louisa Virginia Holden, relict of the late Gov. Holden, died at her home at Raleigh Monday morning, very suddenly, of heart disease. She was nearly 70 years of age, and was a sister of the late Major W. H. Harrison, of Raleigh, who was in the Mexican war and who commanded a Raleigh company in the Confederate service.

A decision rendered by the supreme court Tuesday in the case of State vs. Hay, from Alamance, sustains the validity of the ordinance passed by the aldermen of Burlington, making vaccination compulsory. Judge Brown ruled against the validity of the ordinance upon trial below. The supreme court reverses his decision.

The date of the first meeting of the new State election board is April 2, at Raleigh. This board was created by the legislature at its last session. It was this meeting which, as given out some time ago, the Republicans intended to seek to prevent by means of an injunction obtained through a fusion judge. Walter H. Neal is chairman of the board.

Near Pollockville, Jones county, Monday night, the gin house, barn and stables of Mr. E. W. Scott, living four miles from there at a place known as Oak Grove, on the Quaker bridge road, was completely destroyed by fire, losing all his corn, fodder, peas, cotton seed and hay, also two horses were burned, one burned entirely to death, and one so badly as likely to die any time.

In its report of the Democratic primary, at Fort Barnwell, Craven county, the Newbern Journal says: "Upon motion by R. A. Russell, that faithful old veteran to the party, Hon. Thos. J. Jarvis' name was placed before the meeting, as a model politician whose record is unspotted and one who has ever been uncompromising in his Democracy and very loyal to his party. We recommend him for the United States senate."

George Ritter, colored, was taken from his home, near Carthage, last Friday night by masked men, and after his body had been shockingly mutilated the victim was shot and swung to a tree. The theory of the people who knew the negro and are acquainted with the details of the crime is that Ritter was tortured and murdered by moonshiners, who had reason to believe that he had given information to the government concerning their operations in that vicinity.

Concord Standard: There is a rather strange case at Gastonia, where it is found that an eight year old boy caused the death of a negro, Will Perkins, a short time ago. The negro was descending into a mine and fell from the bucket, dead. The cause of his falling from the bucket has been a mystery, but the little boy tells how he passed by the mine and pushed a plank into it just to hear it hit the bottom. The magistrate has released him on account of his age, but has written the full particulars to the solicitor.

My mother suffered with chronic diarrhoea for several months. She was attended by two physicians who at last pronounced her case hopeless. She procured one 25-cent bottle of Chamberlain's Colic, Cholera and Diarrhoea Remedy, and five doses gave her permanent relief. I take pleasure in recommending it as the best on the market.—Mrs. F. E. Watson, Aiken, Ala. Sold by J. E. Hood.

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