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STATE NEWS.

Interesting North Carolina Items in Condensed Form.

Mr. James H. Ennis, publisher of Turner's Almanac, died at Raleigh Tuesday, aged 77 years.

There are 77 applicants for license as doctors before the medical convention, which met at Tarboro Tuesday.

The house of Daniel Persons, colored, four miles from Kittrell, was burned early Tuesday morning, consuming five of his children.

The secretary of state has had the Third North Carolina supreme court reports reprinted. The original had become very rare.

Dr. W. C. Tyree, pastor 1st Baptist church of Durham, has been offered the presidency of the Baptist Female University at Raleigh. It is thought he will probably accept.

Stanly Enterprise: Farmers of our county say that the present "stand" of cotton is not very encouraging. Excessively dry weather and cold mornings and nights retard its growth.

It is said that while the penitentiary will make much money this year in its farms on the Roanoke river, it is sure to lose \$1,000 on what is known as the Anson farm, near Wadeboro.

A charter has been granted the Summerfield Gun club, which has as members about thirty rich New Yorkers. It will have a lodge, stables, kennels, etc., on a large scale at Summerfield, near Greensboro.

In a letter to Chairman Butler Chairman Holton opposes a joint discussion between Republicans and Populists, because of the complete harmony between Republicans and Populists as to the State issues of this campaign.

A special from Asheville says: A caveat has been held against the will of the late John M. Worth, who left an estate worth over half a million, and who was a large cotton mill owner. Robert W. Bingham, head of the Bingham School, has joined issue with other legatees to contest the will.

Work is progressing on the hospital at the Soldiers' Home, in Raleigh. It is of an excellent design 80 by 104 feet, and one story high. There are four wards, a sun-parlor and an operating room. There is a continuous veranda. The building will have ample accommodation for 100 persons.

News-Observer: We are beginning to be proud of North Carolina's form of government, seeing that our neighbors think of imitating North Carolina. The Virginians praise our economy, and now we see that Hon. Washington Dession, of Macon, wants Georgia to rotate its judges on the North Carolina plan.

The State supreme court has decided that Theo. White, shell fish commissioner, is entitled to draw \$400 per annum. He holds office under '97 act and draws salary under '99 act, according to supreme court decisions. Judges Clark and Montgomery dissent. Judge Clark's dissenting opinion is a lively contribution. He intimates strongly that State Treasurer Worth may have to answer to the legislature at its next meeting if he obeys the order of the court.

Webster's Weekly: There can be no question as to Judge Adams' attitude toward the negroes while he lived in Caswell. He was their recognized leader—taught, drilled and organized them, so that they were able to elect one of their own race to represent the proud county of Graves and Yancey in the legislature. He waxed very fat by teaching the negroes that the neighbors were their political enemies. He taught them that the white people, who furnished them work and provided them schools, could not be trusted in political matters.

Wilmington Messenger, May 22d: The negro S. T. Shiver, one of the followers of Percy of Dominica, who has been fasting for the past twenty-six days in the county jail, was carried to the city hospital yesterday afternoon where it is intended to make an attempt some time this morning to force him to take some kind of nourishment. Dr. Lane said last night that he thinks it will be possible to inject food into the negro whether he is willing to take it or not. Shiver has made the request that when he begins to take nourishment a mixture of milk and banana be furnished.

The report of the State labor commis-

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, "Boecher's German Syrup." It not only heals and stimulates the tissue 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-Martin Drug Co.

sloner was issued Monday. Great satisfaction is expressed at the great decrease in child labor in the factories. It says sentiment for compulsory education is growing. The report says the fact that North Carolina has more illiterate whites than any other state than New Mexico is sufficient argument to guarantee a compulsory school law. Average farm wages per month are: Men \$3.91, women \$5.27, children \$3.58. The cost of production of crops is: A 500-pound bale of cotton \$24.56, a bushel of wheat 61 cents, of corn 41 cents, of oats 25 cents, 100 pounds of tobacco \$6.91. The number of tobacco factories has largely decreased during the past few years.

Raleigh Cor. Messenger: Republican State Chairman Holton, as expected, declines the Democratic challenge for a joint canvass of the State candidates on the Republican and Democratic tickets. The challenge gave the Republican chairman no little concern. Above all things the Republicans fear a discussion of the franchise amendment. They are working that matter very adroitly, from their point of view. They talk almost entirely with the rural white voters and do not say anything to these about the disfranchisement of the negroes. What they do say is only that the amendment will disfranchise the uneducated whites. They know this is entirely untrue, but what does that matter? They are very careful not to mention the negro, but to keep him in the background.

AN INSANE MAN'S PRISONER.

Found on Squatter's Island, With Two Nude Children. Abducted Years Ago.

Raleigh, N. C., May 21.—Anderson Collins, white, a squatter, who for years has held possession of Mountain Island, in French Broad River, near Asheville, against all comers, and who has been generally regarded as of unsound mind, is a prisoner at Marshall. His peculiar conduct was tolerated until recently, when a fisherman reported having seen a woman on the island, the sides of which are steep and rocky, though the interior is covered with a dense growth of trees. It was surmised that the woman was a prisoner.

Collins was decoyed to Hot Springs village by a ruse, while the island was searched. The woman was found, as were also two children, one of three years, the other as many months, both stark naked. They were living in a hut as rude as that of a savage. The woman appeared dazed. She gave her name as Alice Gunter, and said her home "was in Tennessee." It is believed that Collins abducted her, and has kept her prisoner for years. She and the children were removed.

Collins will be sent to the hospital for the insane.

Base Ball.

TUESDAY.

Brooklyn 4, Pittsburgh 1.
St. Louis 7, Boston 0.
Philadelphia 8, Chicago 5.
Cincinnati 8, New York 5.

STANDING OF THE CLUBS.

	Won.	Lost.	Per Ct.
Philadelphia.....	17	7	.708
Brooklyn.....	16	7	.696
St. Louis.....	12	11	.522
Chicago.....	13	12	.520
Pittsburg.....	13	12	.520
Cincinnati.....	10	12	.454
New York.....	11	15	.423
Boston.....	5	20	.200

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How Expresses Drop Men.

"While coming from Chicago last week," said a prominent business man to a Mail and Express reporter, "I noticed a peculiar railroad custom which interested me considerably. I happened to be in the last car of the limited when the train stopped in a desolate spot between stations. The rear brakeman, of course, dropped off and went down the track with a flag to warn any train that might be following us. In a moment or two we started up again, but minus the brakeman. I wondered at this, but was still more surprised later on to see the same thing repeated when we were obliged to stop on account of a threatened hot box. Upon inquiry I found that this was the custom on fast trains. 'Sometimes, if we have lots of time,' said the conductor, 'we whistle for the men to come in, but in most cases we leave them to be picked up by the next train or to walk to the nearest station.'"

"But isn't that rather hard on the men?" I asked. "Oh, it's all part of the business," he replied. "I have known of cases where men dropped off in this way were frozen to death or waylaid by tramps, but the railroads have to make the time, and that's why it is done. I have seen trains running with only a conductor aboard them at times because the rest of the crew had been left behind in just this way."

To Cure a Cold in One Day

Take Laxative Bismuth Compound Tablets. All druggists refund the money if it fails to cure. E. W. Sawyer's experience is on every box.

CLOSING EXERCISES

Kinston's White Graded School. Great Crowd Present. Fine Address by Dr. Winston. Children Performed Their Parts Splendidly. Grand Work of the Graded Schools.

The crowd began pouring in early last night to see the white graded school commencement, and before time for the exercises to commence the opera house was crowded to its full capacity and hundreds turned away unable to get even standing room.

The marshals were: Messrs. Oscar LaRouge, Dan Parrott, Eric Bell, John Dawson, Neil Wallace and Mike M. Mewborne.

The exercises opened with a song by the chorus class, composed of about 30 young girls, which was prettily rendered.

This was followed with a doll drill by little misses of about 6 and 7 years, of the primary grade. Each little girl was dressed as an old woman and carried a doll in her hands. They drilled and sang in a charming manner. It reflects much credit on the teacher, Miss Smith, that such little misses were so excellently taught to perform such a lengthy exercise.

The next thing on the program was a declamation by Mr. J. F. Wooten, Jr., his subject being "Life and Character of Vance." Mr. Wooten was chosen to deliver this declamation by a committee from three representative speakers that had been elected by the eighth grade of the school, and he gave evidence last night that the election was the proper one. His delivery was exceedingly fine, and he promises to make an orator of exceptional ability.

Prof. Brogden next announced that an annual prize medal was offered by Dr. T. H. Faulkner, to be given to the member of the graduating class who composes the best essay. All of the class had worked hard for the prize. The essays had been sent to Dr. Hume, professor of English at the State University, and he had given the decision that the essay of Miss Phebe Shaw was the best and that of Mr. Ralph Harper second best, the race being close between all contestants. Miss Phebe then read her essay, the subject of which was "Seeking the Holy Grail."

The next on the program was the reading of prophecies of the graduating class, by Misses Alice Tull and Phebe Shaw. Miss Tull and Mr. Ralph Harper had been elected as prophets, but owing to the sickness of Mr. Harper, Miss Shaw took his place.

Mr. Plato Collins next made the presentation of the Faulkner medal for the best essay to Miss Phebe Shaw, in a very masterly style, and giving advice that will no doubt be a great incentive to the young lady. The medal is of gold and is very handsome. Dr. Faulkner deserves commendation for giving so elegant a prize to incite the pupils to greater efforts to excel.

Mr. N. J. Rouse next presented diplomas to the graduating class—Misses Phebe Washington Shaw, Delia Hyatt, Gladys Mitchell, Alice Kennedy Tull, Beatrice Rayner and Mr. Ralph Moore Harper. Mr. Rouse told of the efforts in organizing the graded schools and what a great success they have been in educating and fitting for life the hundreds of white children in and around Kinston. He said that to observe the beaming and intelligent faces of the children around him he found ample reward for all efforts he had put forth as chairman of the board of trustees.

Prof. Brogden next announced that the president of the A. & M. College, had kindly consented to deliver an address for the school and that he would not keep the audience waiting for the treat in store for them, but would introduce Dr. Geo. T. Winston.

Dr. Winston held the closest attention of the audience from beginning to end. We wish we had space to publish his address in full.

Dr. Winston said that he noticed that the graduating class was composed in a preponderating degree of young ladies, the ratio being 5 to 1. He said that this was just about the ratio over the whole State of the graduating classes in the high schools. He said that there was a reason for this, that the boys in North Carolina had been so poor they had felt that before they could pass through the schools they should begin to make their living, and that girls continued at school. He said this was a wrong state of affairs and should not exist; that every boy in the State now had the opportunity of an education and should avail himself of it.

Dr. Winston said that before the civil war the north gave to the south the distinction of furnishing the statesmen and professional men, and that meanwhile she was educating her sons in the industrial and mechanical lines, how to invent and construct machinery, build bridges, cut canals, etc., and that when the war came on the north had the south beaten before a gun had been fired.

He said that the south was awakened now and had made more progress during the past ten years than any section of country the same size had ever made during the existence of the world. He said that the opportunity of the young men in the south during the next 50 or

100 years was not in the professional line, but in the industrial line, that the demand for young men is to be as captains of great industrial movements.

Dr. Winston's address was highly entertaining, instructive and convincing.

Prof. Brogden next announced that two scholarships had been offered—one from the University of North Carolina and one from the A. & M. College—for the two boys in the graduating class making the best average. Mr. Ralph Harper received the scholarship from the University. As there was but one young man in this year's graduating class, and as Mr. Geo. Hodges lacked but one study, Latin, of graduating, and had made the best average in other studies, Dr. Winston had decided to give him the scholarship.

Prof. Brogden announced that an ice cream supper would be given next Friday night in Mr. B. W. Canady's new building, for the benefit of the library of the public school.

Prof. Brogden then made a strong plea for the furnishing of a library for all the children of the school, but especially the poor children.

This closed the exercises, and each one of the audience went away impressed with the great work that has been accomplished by those in charge of the graded school in Kinston. Too much praise cannot be bestowed upon them. They deserve the heartfelt thanks of every parent and the support of every citizen.

GRAINGERS ITEMS.

May 21, 1900.

Potato bugs are raging around this section.

Mr. D. Q. Wiggins returned Saturday from Pikeville.

Mr. Louis Taylor left Saturday to join the U. S. army.

Mr. and Mrs. John Rhodes, of Kinston, spent Sunday here.

Miss Julia Barwick went to Kinston today and will return Thursday.

Mr. W. E. Mewborn came from Kinston this morning to spend a few days fishing.

We were blessed with a good rain a few days ago and crops have improved wonderfully.

Some thief pulled and carried off lots of tobacco plants for some of our neighbors last week.

Dr. William Cobb Whitfield and little daughter, of Quinerly, made us a pleasant call today.

JASON ITEMS.

May 22, 1900.

Farmers are about through setting out tobacco.

Mr. Hugh Bryan, of Institute, visited here Sunday.

Mr. Add Phelps spent Sunday with Mr. Walter Arthur, near Snow Hill.

Mrs. Ella Smith and sons, Masters Lee and Willie, visited her daughter, Mrs. B. J. Baker, last week.

Mr. Z. V. Parker, on returning home from school at Lawndale, N. C., stopped over to spend a few days with relatives and friends here.

Mr. Hedrie Hardy and sister, Miss Carrie, of Strabans, and Miss Sophia Mewborne, of LaGrange, spent Saturday night and Sunday with Miss Lena Phelps.

Mr. Good, the supposed Confederate soldier, who was here a few years ago, is here again. Some of our young men offered to take up a collection for him, but he did not thank them for anything less than a quarter. "Beggars should not be choosers."

County Democratic Convention.

At a meeting of the Democratic executive committee, held in Kinston on May 19th, the committee requested the white electors of Lenoir county to assemble themselves at their usual place of meeting on Saturday, June 2d, to nominate town constable and elect delegates to represent them in the county Democratic convention which meets in Kinston on Saturday, June 9th, at 1 o'clock for the purpose of nominating candidates for the house of representatives, sheriff, register of deeds, treasurer and other county officers.

In the county convention each precinct is entitled to the following number of votes:

- Kinston No. 1, 10; No. 2, 4; No. 3, 3; Falling Creek, 4; Moseley Hall, west, 3; east, 4; Institute, 4; Vance, 3; Neck, 6; Sand Hill, 3; South West, 3; Neuse, 3; Woodington, 8; Trent, 6; Pink Hill, 4.

J. W. GRAINGERS, Chairman.

Kinston, May 21, 1900.

Did Night Work Too.

Charlotte Observer. The Cuban carpet-baggers probably figured they could not hold the jobs all their lives, so they made hay while the sun shone.—Chicago Record.

Yes, and probably did a little night work to boot, and since The Record has brought up the subject, it may be said people living north of Mason and Dixon's line can find in these Cuban steaks a mild reminder of what a lot of this same genery did down this way about 35 years ago. The carpet-bagger appears to be the same in shoving ability wherever he may decide to pitch his tent.

GENERAL NEWS.

Matters of Interest Condensed into Brief Paragraphs.

One boy was killed and three boys and a girl injured in a strike riot at St. Louis Monday.

W. D. Oldham, of Nebraska, will make the speech at Kansas City nominating Mr. Bryan for president.

British cavalry are within 40 miles of Johannesburg. Many women and children are leaving Pretoria.

The Methodist general conference at Chicago on Tuesday elected two bishops on the 70th ballot. They were Rev. Dr. D. H. Moore and Rev. Dr. J. W. Hamilton.

At Newport News, Va., Monday, Prof. H. J. Frawley was found guilty of bigamy and sentenced to eight years in the penitentiary. He is also to be tried for forgery.

Former Senator Quay, of Pennsylvania, has made formal announcement that he is a candidate before the next legislature to succeed himself as United States senator. He says he is in the fight to the finish.

Charles Finley, ex-secretary of state of Kentucky, was arrested in Indiana for complicity in the Goebel murder conspiracy, but was released, Gov. Mount refusing to honor Gov. Beckham's requisition.

Nineteen dwellings in the suburbs of Portsmouth, Va., were burned late Sunday night. The inadequate water supply made it necessary for the firemen to tear down a house to stop the rapidly spreading flames.

John Powers, brother of Secretary of State Caleb Powers, was arrested in the mountains of Knox county, near Barbourville, late Monday night on the charge of complicity in the murder of Gov. Goebel.

Some New Zealand people have been playing the gold brick game on Gen. White, the defender of Ladysmith. They sent him a gold brick, on one side of which was the legend: "This is a brick," and on the other, "You're another."

The United States supreme court has granted leave to the United States to bring original actions against the states of North Carolina, South Carolina, Louisiana and Florida in the proceedings to procure settlements with those states.

The attempt to establish municipal governments in the towns of southern Luzon has been stopped on account of the activity of the insurgents. Our garrisons in several towns are besieged by Filipinos. There have been several skirmishes.

George Arents, who is a large stockholder and director in the American Tobacco company, and whose name had been associated with the formation of the International company, states that he had no connection with and no knowledge of any new company.

The Democratic caucus at Baton Rouge, La., Monday afternoon decided on Senator S. D. McEnery and Gov. Murphy J. Foster as candidates for the United States senate. They were formally and unanimously elected Tuesday by the legislature, which is solidly Democratic.

A dispatch from Manila says Gen. Wheaton reports that two companies of insurgents, comprising a commandant, one captain, two first lieutenants, four second lieutenants, 163 men, with 168 guns in good condition, and a small quantity of ammunition, surrendered at Talaric at 2 a. m., May 22.

The Boers express determination to defend Johannesburg and other Transvaal towns to the last extremity, and some very heavy fighting is expected. Gen. Buller will be vigorously opposed in making any further progress. Gen. Botha's detachment of Gen. Buller's army is reported to have suffered a severe reverse near Vryheid, one of his squadrons of mounted men being badly cut up, 66 men being killed or wounded.

America Will Not Interfere.

Washington, May 21.—The state department has met the issue raised by the coming to Washington of the Boer delegation by declining to interfere in behalf of South African republics in the present struggle. In view of this announced decision all questions as to the character of the recognition to be extended to the delegates, and the sufficiency of their credentials dropped at once into the back ground. It was, after all, of little moment whether or not the Boers were received as diplomatic agents or ministers, so long as they were powerless to promote the prime object of their mission, viz, to cause the United States government to intervene to bring about peace.

Secretary Hay gave the Boer delegates an unofficial audience this afternoon. They will be received by President McKinley unofficially tomorrow morning.

Washington, May 22.—The three Boer envoys were received by the president this morning. Mr. McKinley indicated to them that the United States could do nothing to intervene, and after a quarter of an hour's conference the visitors departed.

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