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GENERAL NEWS.

Matters of Interest Condensed Into Brief Paragraphs.

More floods are reported in Mississippi and crops greatly damaged.

B. F. Shively, of Indiana, is spoken of as Democratic candidate for vice-president.

In Louisville, last Monday night, five street cars were damaged by dynamite. No one was hurt.

Inspector Smith says it will be several weeks yet before the full amount of the Cuban postal frauds can be ascertained.

Fire destroyed the Commonwealth Mining Co.'s mill, near Pierce, Ariz., Tuesday. The loss is \$500,000. The men in the shaft were saved by the bravery of the engineer.

Mrs. Grace Chatterton, wife of J. Howard Chatterton, of Washington, D.C., was fatally burned while about to take a vapor bath at Atlantic City, N. J., by chinkale used in the bath catching fire and exploding.

The long expected armor circular was issued Monday from the navy department. The main features in the circular have already been published. The steel makers are invited to bid for furnishing armor plate for 17 warships.

Five blocks of the best business buildings in the heart of Bloomington, Ill., were destroyed by fire Tuesday morning. It is estimated that the losses will foot up between \$1,500,000 and \$2,000,000. The fire started in a laundry—origin unknown.

At Cincinnati, Monday, Herman Ham-mayer came home drunk, knocked his wife and daughter down and was beating them, when his 18-year-old son jumped from the bed, ran for his pistol and shot his father twice. The father died and the son is held for murder.

The active business on the New York cotton exchange recently, together with the establishment of a uniform commission rule, has resulted in a sharp advance in the value of membership. The sale of a seat was reported Monday at \$3,500—a figure greatly in excess of any ever paid before.

In the presence of hundreds of people who had gathered on a playground in Charlestown, Mon., Monday night to witness the festivities of Bunker Hill day, Henry E. Parson, aged 42, of Somerville, shot and killed William Hammond, aged 20, a teamster of Everett. The men had had a difficulty over alleged improper attentions shown by Parson to a little girl.

Gen. Joe Wheeler on Monday received his commission as brigadier general in the U. S. army from President McKinley. By direction of the president, he was assigned to the command of the department of the lakes, with headquarters at Chicago. He relieves Gen. Jas. F. Wade of that command temporarily in conjunction with his regular command—the department of Dakota.

British steamer Maryland, from London for Philadelphia, which arrived Monday, had on board Capt. Baxter, his daughter and eight of the crew of the British schooner Nelly, who were picked up at sea June 11th, after much suffering and privation. The Nelly was owned in St. Johns, N. F., and was bound from Barbadoes to that place. She was abandoned in a waterlogged condition in latitude 42.12, longitude 54.14.

FINANCIAL STATEMENT

Of the Town of Kinston, N. C., From May, 1899, to May, 1900.

RECEIPTS.	
J. W. Collins, late treasurer,....	\$ 25.95
General property and poll tax,....	5,784.94
Special privilege,.....	117.00
Privilege license,.....	1,113.84
Electric lights,.....	2,612.08
Bar rooms,.....	900.00
Market rent,.....	194.00
Dog tax,.....	44.00
Ice tax,.....	2.50
Smallpox orders,.....	275.80
W. G. Jones (borrowed),.....	800.00
J. W. Taylor (serving war-rant),.....	1.00
G. B. Webb (fine),.....	282.47
Cemetery lots,.....	131.50
	\$12,285.08

DISBURSEMENTS.	
Streets,.....	\$ 1,004.04
Fire department,.....	1,041.23
Police service,.....	1,226.58
Removing garbage,.....	450.00
I. B. Perry, collecting taxes,....	387.06
Electric lights and plant,.....	4,208.56
Printing,.....	128.70
Mayor and aldermen,.....	704.46
Cemetery,.....	113.60
Smallpox,.....	511.96
Miscellaneous,.....	2,503.78
G. W. Sumrell, Treas., receipt,....	10.11
	\$12,285.08

The difference between the amounts paid out for the fire department last year and this is due mostly to the improvements in that department—building bell tower and purchase of automatic fire bell, etc.

The miscellaneous item under disbursements includes the payment of \$800 borrowed money from W. G. Jones.

The putting in of two new fire wells has increased the expenditures in the street department.

Increased expenses in some other departments is caused by increased population and growth of the town.

The above report in full, showing to whom every dollar was paid, is posted at the court house door. The vouchers have been passed upon by the auditing committee, and the settlement approved on the treasurer's cash book.

N. B. MOORE, Treasurer.

Good Feeders.

A hostess of the west end, Washington, who proposed giving a dinner to some doctors visiting a convention in town said to the caterer when she had finished with her order:

"Now, Mr. X., I trust you will make this dinner as fine as possible, for my guests come from all over the country, and I want them to see how well we do things at the capital."

"Is it the doctors you're going to entertain, then?" asked the caterer.

"Yes," responded the hostess. "I have invited a number of the doctors."

"Give me my list, then," said the caterer, and he forthwith proceeded to increase the quantity of everything upon the menu and to nearly double the amount of wine.

"What do you mean by that?" asked the patron. "Why have you increased the quantity of everything so materially?"

"I was all right at first for the ordinary guest, madam," said the caterer, with an ex cathedra air, "but then, sawbones does eat and does drink—they do eat and drink. Their trade seems to give 'em an appetite."—Exchange.

ATTACK ON PEKIN.

Russians Attack the City on Two Sides, Using Heavy Artillery.

London, June 20, Wednesday, 3 a. m.—"The Russian relieving force arrived outside Pekin this morning," says the Shanghai correspondent of the Daily Express, "and immediately began to attack the city on two sides, employing numerous artillery."

"The force apparently arrived in the nick of time, for the Chinese assert that the attack upon the legations had been successfully renewed. On the night of June 16th the Chinese troops under Gens. Tung Fuh Siang and Tung Ching attacked the legations and set on fire five European buildings. Nothing definite is known as to the result, except that the Chinese were disappointed, although other reports utterly discredited by foreigners here, are that the Chinese, infuriated by the destruction of Taku, have since massacred all the foreigners in Pekin."

A modified version of these rumors received at Berlin is that the French as well as the German minister has been killed.

KEMPFF GIVEN A FREE HAND.

He May Do Whatever He Thinks Best to Conserve American Interests.

Washington, June 19.—Adj. Gen. Corbin declared positively today that up to date only one regiment, the Ninth infantry, had been ordered from Manila to China. Further additions may be made to the military force representing the United States in China, but no orders have been given to that effect.

In addition to the Oregon, which is to go up to Taku from Hong Kong, the Buffalo with 300 green landsmen aboard has been ordered at once from Southampton, England, to the Philippines while the gunboats Princeton and Marietta, admirably suited for service in the Pel-Ho river above Taku, have been held at Cavite under orders to be ready for service at any moment. The Zafiro also has been held at the same place, in readiness to take on supplies for the naval contingent at Taku. If the Princeton and Marietta join Admiral Kempff, as seems probable now, he will have at his command, a more numerous and effective fleet of gunboats adapted to service on the Pel-Ho river as far up as Tien Tsin than any of the other naval powers there represented.

Admiral Kempff's powers are wider than was supposed yesterday. He is not limited to the protection of American life and property. He may do anything proper in his judgment to conserve American interests of any kind in China, and means that he may take action to ensure the United States against loss of trade or commercial position in China.

It may be significant in this connection that the official view here is still that there is not yet a state of war between China and the United States.

Baron Ketteler's Murder Denied.

Berlin, June 19.—An official dispatch says that everything is quiet at Klap Chou. The mother of the German minister at Pekin, Baron Von Ketteler, in Munster, has received a telegram from China saying that the news of her son's death is not true.

The Giraffe's Timidity.

A giraffe is very timid on hearing slight sounds, but is indifferent to loud ones. A writer in The Leisure Hour says:

Noisy sounds, like a man walking by with hobnail boots, it does not notice, but a lady coming in with hardly more sound than the rustling of her dress makes it start, with pricked ears and eyes distended.

We remember well, after a terrible explosion of gunpowder on a barge on the canal, asking the keeper of the giraffes that of that day how they had taken it, and he said he was surprised how very little notice they took. They jumped to their feet, but almost at once lay down again when they found nothing happened.

"But," he added, "if I were at night-time to creep along that gallery in my socks they would be so scared that I believe they would dash themselves to bits."

They fear the lurking foe, and a bing bang scares them less than a faint, rustling sound. They are in that respect very deerlike.

A Big Difference.

Kendrick (who for two months has been studying French)—Say, Sutton, I can write a good letter in French now.

Sutton—H'm! Is that so? Well, you may be able to write a good letter in French, but I don't believe you can write a letter in good French.—Boston Transcript

White's Black Liniment—full size 25c bottle for 15c. It cures pain.

J. E. Hoop.

AN OFFER TO KRUGER.

Spared Deportation if He Will Surrender Now. Gen. Botha Also Approached. Boer Commander Declines the Terms Proposed and Renews the Struggle.

London, June 19, 4 a. m.—A Times dispatch from Lourenzo Marques, says: "Judge Van Leenwen, who left Pretoria on Wednesday under permit of the British military governor, has arrived here. It is understood that he is the bearer of verbal assurance to President Kruger from the British authorities that if he surrendered now, he would not be sent out of the country."

"Unfortunately, Kruger was asleep at the time Van Leenwen's train passed the presidential headquarters, but the judge conveyed the message to Secretary Reitz. The latter scouted the idea. People in a position to estimate Kruger's feelings, however, think to the contrary, and say that if such an undertaking was authoritatively given, he would, in all probability, accept it."

"Reitz, like Steyn, appears anxious for a continuance of the struggle, and those who know him, suspect that he will withhold the message from Kruger."

Negotiations With Botha.

London, June 19, 3 a. m.—Lord Roberts, according to a Boer dispatch from Machadodorp, sent a message to Commandant Gen. Louis Botha on June 13, suggesting disarmament and compelling the bravery of the burghers. It was pointed out that the surrender would be without dishonor to the burghers, and would prevent much suffering.

Gen. Botha asked for six days' armistice in order to confer and consider. Lord Roberts consented to five days. Finally Gen. Botha declined to accept the proposal, and hostilities were renewed.

The Boer commandoes are retiring on Middleburg, followed by the British cavalry and artillery, occasionally shells reaching the rear guards. The Boers are destroying the bridges and burning the veldt behind them, carrying off provisions and cattle, and leaving the country barren.

Other advices from Machadodorp say that the Boers have an abundance of arms and ammunition with dynamite and oxen, and that they are preparing heavy wagon trains for a retreat to the Lydenburg district, where the chiefs, notwithstanding rumors to the contrary, are determined to make a stand.

The Boers continue to work the Barberton mines, says a dispatch from Lourenzo Marques, and there are eight carloads of bar gold, valued at £5,000,000, with President Kruger.

Steyn's Counter Proclamation.

Mr. Steyn, in his proclamation declaring the Free State still free and independent, says the fact that the army is yet in the field renders the Lord Roberts' annexation contradictory to international law.

In a dispatch to the war office from Pretoria, dated yesterday, Lord Roberts says that Gen. Baden-Powell has just arrived there.

A belated dispatch from Lord Roberts, sent from Pretoria under date of June 16, gives an official version of an attack on a British post at Zand river, Thursday, June 14, by 800 Boers with three guns. It says that Gen. Knox, with a mixed force drove off the Boers, who left four men dead and four prisoners on the field. The British loss was Maj. Seymour and two men killed and nine wounded.

A rumor at Cape Town that Lord Roberts is about to seize Delagoa Bay railroad at a strong strategic point and the announcement of the completion of the new cabinet constitute the only other news from South Africa today.

Sir M. J. G. Sprigg is premier and treasurer, J. J. Graham is colonial secretary, Mr. Rose-Innes, attorney general, Smartt, department of public works, Sir Peter Faure, agriculture; Frost, without portfolio.

The Cuba Elections.

Washington, June 18.—The war department has received the following dispatch from Gen. Wood at Havana:

"Reports from all over the island show that the elections were orderly and peaceful. Not a single disturbance was reported. Nearly the entire registration voted. All reports indicate satisfaction."

Democrats Control the State.

Frankfort, Ky., June 19.—The state treasurer's office was turned over today. Treasurer Hager took charge and for the first time since 1895 the state offices are in exclusive control of the Democrats.

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, "Boasche's German Syrup." It not only heals and stimulates the tissues to destroy the germ disease, but always 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.

Statesville beat Charlotte playing ball Monday by score of 6 to 1.

Raleigh 0, Durham 9 was the score of a game of ball at Durham Tuesday.

Among the young men who have passed the examination at West Point is James T. Dortch, of this State.

Dr. A. J. Battle, a prominent physician of Wadesboro, died at Greensboro Monday. He bequeathed \$1,000 to the Pee Dee Institute of Wadesboro.

The State charters the Goldsboro Navigation company, which will operate steamers and barges on Neuse river. Its authorized capital is \$50,000.

J. Allen Holt, of Oak Ridge, is elected president of the North Carolina Teachers' Assembly. Charles H. Mebane is re-elected secretary and treasurer. The latter is State superintendent of public instruction. He has accepted the presidency of Catawba College, which has a handsome endowment.

The Republicans are now trying desperate measures in their campaign. Their latest is a garbled and mutilated report of C. B. Aycock's speech, by which they seek to make it appear that he said the Democratic party proposed to rule by fraud, while as matter of fact he said it meant to rule by law. In every instance a prompt exposure has followed Republican attempts at trickery in this campaign.

Rockingham Anglo-Saxon: The boiler to the locomotive owned by the Mess. Page, exploded last Friday about noon, and injured Mr. Jesse Page quite seriously, and a darkey only slightly. The engine had just been stopped to increase steam, and Mr. Page and the darkey were in the engine cab at the time of the explosion. Mr. Page was scalded over the head and shoulders, and was somewhat bruised by the flying debris.

President Henry Fischer, of the National Tobacco Workers' Union, has unionized the large tobacco factory of P. H. Hanes & Co., of Winston-Salem. The white operatives were put into the same lodge with those of Brown Bros. Co., and another colored lodge was formed, making three lodges now in Winston. A salaried secretary will be stationed there to look after the union's interests. Hanes' factory is the largest with which the union tobacco workers have yet established relations.

THE CENSUS RETURNS.

No Results to be Known for Two Weeks Yet. Fifteen Thousand Districts Reported as Finished.

Washington, June 18.—Director Merriam, of the census bureau, said today that the results of the work of the enumerators could not be known for at least two weeks, and it might be a month before the first bulletin is issued. He stated positively that the only news in regard to the count would be made public through bulletins issued at the census office. The enumerators are strictly forbidden by law to give out information of any kind in regard to their work and if they violate this law they will be heavily fined. The director said that in view of this condition, any figures presented as the work of the enumerators other than those contained in the bulletins of the census office would be mere speculation and could be of no value. The count of the population in the large cities is practically completed and about 15,000 enumeration districts have reported as finished. It will require at least five days to check up the work of the enumerators in order to ascertain the payments due them. This will be done in the various cities. When this is finished the cards will be forwarded to Washington, where the actual tabulation of returns will be begun.

The Best Prescription for Chills and Fever is a bottle of GHOVE'S TASTELESS CHILL Tonic. It is simply iron and quinine in a tasteless form. No cure—no pay. Price, 25c.

Baseball.

TUESDAY.

New York 8, Philadelphia 1.
Brooklyn 10, Boston 4.
Cincinnati 7, St. Louis 3.
Chicago 1, Pittsburg 0.

STANDING OF THE CLUBS.

	Won.	Lost.	Per Ct.
Brooklyn.....	30	16	.652
Philadelphia.....	30	17	.635
Chicago.....	23	25	.470
Pittsburg.....	24	27	.470
Boston.....	21	24	
Cincinnati.....	20	26	.434
New York.....	19	25	.432
St. Louis.....	20	27	.425

You may as well expect to run a steam engine without water as to find an active energetic man with a torpid liver and you may know that his liver is torpid when he does not relish his food, or feels dull and languid after eating, or has headache and sometimes dizziness. A few doses of Chamberlain's Stomach and Liver Tablets will restore his liver to its normal functions, renew his vitality, improve his digestion and make him feel like a new man. Price, 25 cents. Samples free at J. E. Hood's drug store.



McKinley: "Oh, mamma, buy me that!"—Kansas City Times.