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GENERAL NEWS.

Matters of Interest Condensed into Brief Paragraphs.

Harry Vaughan and Mrs. Mary Walker were drowned while boating at McKeesport, Md., Saturday night.

One of the warehouses of the Huttig Sash and Door company, of Muscatine, Iowa, was burned Sunday. Loss \$80,000.

The Boer Gen. Dewett has cut Gen Roberts' line of communication and captured one hundred Highlanders and a supply train.

During a dense fog Sunday morning the Cunard liner Campania struck the bark Embleton, near Liverpool. The bark was cut in two, and it is thought 11 of her crew were drowned.

It is officially announced in Manila that last week 200 insurgents were killed and 130 surrendered or were captured. One hundred rifles were taken. Twelve Americans were killed and 11 wounded. This includes the casualties of Col. William E. Birkimer's engagement with a force of the Twenty-eighth Volunteer infantry, who attacked 200 insurgents, armed with rifles, two miles east of Taal.

A special from Aberdeen, S. D., says: A terrible encounter has taken place between two Russian farmers, whose names have not yet been learned, in Emmons county, resulting in the death of both men. There was no witness to the battle. It is supposed the men quarreled over a tract of bay land and attacked each other with pitchforks. Their bodies were found in the field, where there were evidences of a fearful struggle between the two men. Both bodies had been repeatedly pierced by the fork tines, and were covered with blood.

Col. J. W. Scully, of the quartermaster's department, U. S. army, has gone to Mexico to disinter and bring back for burial in the San Antonio, Tex., government cemetery the bones of American soldiers who fell in the battle of Buena Vista, fought near Saltillo, Mexico, in 1846, between the Americans, under Gen. Zachary Taylor, and the Mexicans, under Santa Anna. The remains of about 700 Americans lie where they were buried on the battle-field, but a new railroad will go squarely across the spot, and this has caused the American government to take action.

DARK ABOUT ASSASSIN.

Prosecution in Powers Trial Said To Be Holding Back Evidence.

Georgetown, Ky., July 22.—The Powers murder conspiracy trial will be resumed tomorrow. It is said tonight that the prosecution will not allow any of its evidence as to who fired the shot that killed Goebel to come out on this trial. Powers is indicted only as an accessory before the fact, and all of the evidence as to the identity of the assassin is apparently to be held in reserve for the trial of Jim Howard, Berry Howard and others indicted both as principals and accessories.

The prosecution may close its direct testimony the latter part of the week.

The lawyers for the defense decline to say whether the defendant will be put on the stand. It is understood that neither Youtsey, Davis, Combs, nor Whitaker, who are in jail here charged with being accessories, will be allowed by their attorneys to testify in the Powers case.

DO NOT BAND TOGETHER.

There Are No Such Things as "Gangs" of Criminals.

"The 'gang' idea as applied to criminals is a ridiculous blunder," said an experienced detective. "There are no such things except in story books. There seems to be something about the inner nature of confirmed crooks that forbids them to band together. Honest folks instinctively drift toward each other and form societies and combinations for self protection and mutual interest, but criminals are exactly the reverse.

"Safe burglars generally work in parties of three, but that is because three men are necessary to the average 'job'—two to manipulate the drill and other tools and one to 'pipe' or watch the outside. Whenever it is possible for a burglar to 'turn a trick,' as they call it, single handed he is certain to go alone. It is the same with all other thieves.

"You read of a 'gang of pickpockets' descending on some country fair. They do their work in pairs, so in that case it would simply mean that six or eight of the crooked couples happened to strike the place at the same time. The detective novel theory is that criminals are organized into great societies with regular heads and cast iron laws and bylaws, to violate which means sudden and mysterious death.

"That is all rubbish. If such an organization was formed, the police would know it ten minutes after the first meeting adjourned. One of the things that keep thieves apart is their horrible treachery. I have been a detective for over a quarter of a century, and I never knew a single crook who would not betray any other crook merely to curry favor with the officers. They are well aware of that little peculiarity themselves and dread one another a good deal more than they dread the authorities."—New Orleans Times-Democrat.

Fiddled Into Office.

If history be true, Governor Taylor of Tennessee is not the only man who fiddled himself into office. Lossing relates that in 1848 he met at Oswego, N. Y., Major Cochran, then nearly 80 years old, a son-in-law of General Philip Schuyler, who told the story of his election to congress during the administration of the elder Adams. A vessel was to be launched on one of the lakes in interior New York, and people came from afar to see it. The young folks gathered there, determined to have a dance at night. There was a fiddle, but no fiddler. Young Cochran was an amateur performer, and his services were demanded. He gratified the joyous company, and at the supper table one of the gentlemen remarked, in commendation of his talents, that he was "fit for congress." The matter was talked up, and he was nominated and elected a representative in congress for the district then comprising the whole of New York west of Seneca county. He always claimed to have "fiddled himself into congress." It seems that history repeats itself, according to the proverb.—Washington Star.

APPEAL FROM PEKIN.

President McKinley Urged to Intervene in China. Reply Will Be Forwarded. This Government Believes the Overtures Are Made in Good Faith.

Washington, July 23.—President McKinley has received what purports to be a direct appeal from the Chinese imperial government to use his good offices to extricate that government from the difficult and dangerous position in which it has been placed as a result of the Boxer uprising and the ensuing hostile attitude of the great powers. Although the exact text of the appeal made by the emperor of China to France, as outlined in the cable dispatches of Saturday, has not been made known here, it is believed that the address to the president is similar in terms to that communication. In our case the communication was made through Minister Wu to the state department.

Thus far a final answer has not been returned. The French government answered at once, but that answer will not serve us. The United States government is conscientiously proceeding upon an entirely different line of policy in the treatment of the case. Unfortunately, the state department finds itself alone in this, but nevertheless, it is convinced that its plan is the best, and it has behind it the consoling assurance that at present all of the European governments have tacitly admitted that an error was made in the beginning in not following the common sense advice of the United States naval commander at Taku.

BEST WAY TO HAVE THE SITUATION.

The point of difference between the state department and the European governments is that the latter are proceeding upon the belief that all of the foreign ministers and missionaries and guards at Peking have been killed, and insist upon dealing with the Chinese government upon that basis, thereby assuming a hostile attitude that tends to destroy the last chance of availing of whatever friendly sentiment may yet exist among the powerful Chinese viceroys and the imperial government itself. Thus the French reply, as indicated in the four conditions laid down by M. Delcasse yesterday, sets an impossible task for the imperial government in its present straits, and tends to drive it at once to make terms with the Boxers and Prince Tuan's party.

On the other hand, our government, while not guaranteeing the truth of the advice from the Chinese government as to the safety of the foreign ministers, is willing to accept the statements temporarily, in the meantime remitting none of its efforts to get access to Mr. Conger through the use of military force, if need be. By following out this policy the state department argues that it retains two chances instead of one. It may reach Mr. Conger with troops, and it also may secure his deliverance through the friendly offices of some of the powerful Chinese officials, which the powers are not likely to obtain for their own people by following out their present policy.

WILL STILL INSIST ON REPARATION.

It may be stated also that the United States government has not and does not intend to relinquish any part of its claim for compensation and reparation in the ultimate settlement. Its position in that respect it holds, will not be affected unfavorably by prosecuting its efforts to make use of the friendly sentiments of the Chinese officials.

Prince Tuan Wires That Ministers Are Safe.

Washington, July 23.—The state department received a dispatch from Mr. Goodnow, our consul general at Shanghai, dated today saying that Prince Tuan wires him that an officer of Tsung Li Yamen saw all the ministers on July 19th and that no attack at that time was being made.

An Enemy to His Race.

Henderson Gold Leaf.
The Greenville Weekly says: "There is a reliable rumor afloat here that Claud Bernard has been getting prices on Winchester rifles, by the case, presumably for the negroes here."

Who furnishes the cash?
The white man who is mean enough to furnish guns to negroes to use against his own people ought to be pumped so full of lead that of its own weight his carcass would sink deep enough in the ground to bury him without the necessity of digging a grave.

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, "Boesche'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.

JONES WHITE MEN

Indignant at the "White Man's Mean Lie About Tuckahoe White Supremacy Club and Make Affidavit That It is a Lie.

There appeared in an issue of July 5th of a dirty little sheet falsely called the "White Man," which is being secretly distributed by the opponents of the amendment, an infamous lie and reflection on the good white people of Tuckahoe township, Jones county. The following is the language copied from the "White Man," properly entitled to be designated "The Black Man," to wit:

"It was charged at Trenton, by Mr. H. F. Seawell, Populist, and the charge can be proven to be true, that the White Supremacy club at Tuckahoe, Jones county, had for its president a negro. The charge was not denied. It seems, in order to eliminate the negro from politics, the machine necessarily must once in a while elect one of their 'big, burly brutes,' as they call them, president of the White Supremacy club."

Now, in the first place, little Seawell did not make any such statement at Trenton, and it would not have been healthy for him to have done so.

In the second place, the statement that the White Supremacy club at Tuckahoe, Jones county, had for its president a negro, is a willful and malicious lie. The president of the club at Tuckahoe, Jones county, is Mr. G. G. Noble, the present Democratic representative from Jones county.

The man who originated this lie and the man who circulates it is an infamous liar and a coward, and it will not be well for his miserable carcass if he ever puts in an appearance in Jones county.

The following affidavits have been made by members of the White Supremacy club at Tuckahoe:

We, the undersigned members of the White Supremacy club of Tuckahoe, Jones county, do hereby state that we have heard of the charge reputed to have been made by H. F. Seawell, that the president of our White Supremacy club is a negro, that such a statement is absolutely false and without foundation; and we do further state that the president of our White Supremacy club is Mr. G. G. Noble, present Democratic member of the legislature from Jones county.

W. B. HARGET.

A. H. JARMAN.

CHAS. NOBLES.

F. M. DIXON.

Sworn to and subscribed before me this 23d day of July, 1900.

BENJ. KING, J. P.

REVENUE RASCALITY.

Promise to a Distiller Who Opposes Amendment.

Chairman Simmons Friday received a letter from a leading Democrat of Wilkes which shows how federal officeholders are using their office to help on negro rule. We make this extract from the letter:

"I read with pleasure your letter to Mr. McKinley. We are today feeling the effects of federal interference. I will give you an instance: I learned that H. M. Parlier, who operates a government distillery, was opposed to the amendment. Parlier has always voted the Democratic ticket. I saw him in Wilkesboro last week and asked him if it were true that he was opposed to the amendment. He said: 'No; I am in favor of it, but must vote against it.' He said that he had been notified that he would be watched on election day. If he voted for the amendment that a storekeeper and gauger would be sent on him who would run him out in four days; but that if he voted against the amendment every favor possible would be shown him. Parlier said that if he was forced out now at this season of the year with the large lot of hogs he had on hand that it would ruin him, and under the circumstances he must vote against the amendment. This was said to W. W. Barber in the presence of James M. Wellborn."

He Wanted a Drink.

Some years ago Colonel Crisp was in New York, and being in attendance at a certain notable political gathering in Madison Square Garden was called upon for a speech. And did he accept? Well, rather! Running his fingers through his hair, adjusting his vest and pushing up his coat sleeves, he started in to sprinkle eagle feathers all over the stage. Now, the colonel is a stout man and has a thirst in proportion. In the course of his passionate harangue he became very warm and asked that some water be provided. In compliance with the request a diminutive pitcher and dainty little glass were brought and placed before him.

Colonel Crisp looked at it intently for a few moments, and then "What is this?" he thundered.

"W-w-water," timidly answered one of the vice presidents.

"Young man," bellowed the colonel, his nostrils quivering with suppressed rage, "either bring me a bucket and a guard or lead me to the branch."—Kansas City Independent.

To Cure a Cold in One Day

Take LARAVY'S BLOOD PURIFIER. All croupers should be sure if it fails to cure. E. W. Groves' agents in all cities. See

STATE NEWS.

Interesting North Carolina Items in Condensed Form.

Herbert Toler, aged 12 years, was drowned while bathing in Neuse river six miles from Goldsboro.

Butler tried to have more Democratic registrars arrested Saturday, but so far as learned only one—at Wallace—was arrested. He was arrested by a federal deputy marshal.

Thomasville News: D. M. Luther, of Asheville, brought cheering news to the White Supremacy club of Thomasville last Friday. It was this, that Buncombe county would send up a majority of 1,000 for the amendment and 800 for Aycock.

Asheville Citizen: If President McKinley has a few more officeholders that he can spare and will send them down to North Carolina for a week we will carry the amendment by 75,000 or thereabouts. Their insolent middlemossiness is making votes every hour.

Laurinburg Times: The negroes of Scotland county and especially of Stewartsville township, are trying the best they can to carry out the advice of the best white people, and that is, leave off politics, buy a home and be quiet and industrious citizens.

The citizens of Newton met in mass meeting Saturday and passed resolutions condemning the outrageous attack on Registrar McCorkle by three whites and three ignorant negroes, and expressing determination to support the registrar in the performance of his duty.

A heavy wind, rain and electric storm occurred at Goldsboro on Sunday afternoon. Two houses were slightly damaged by lightning on Park avenue, and three tenement houses were struck in eastern Goldsboro. A negro woman and man were hit by lightning. A shoe on the man's foot was torn to pieces. The woman was slightly injured. A negro had his horse and mule killed.

Letters in great numbers were received at Democratic headquarters at Raleigh Sunday, largely referring to the registration, which ended Saturday. Secretary Pearsall said: "The letters are most gratifying, and show an extremely satisfactory condition of affairs. The white registration is very full." Chairman Simmons said: "The news of the registration doubt our majority."

Rocky Mount Argonaut: The negroes in upper Nash are notifying their employers that they will not work for them after the 2d day of August if they—the employers—vote for the amendment. Good Lord, hasn't it come to a fine pass when negroes dare attempt to dictate to white men how they must vote? This shows the need of the amendment more than anything we have yet heard of.

Salisbury Truth Index: The Mormon elders are still active in this county—in fact they are putting forth more strenuous and persistent efforts than ever before. They have never entirely given up their work in Franklin township and in addition to those elders who have been working there for the past three months, two more arrived in the city yesterday and will operate in the lower part of the county. We learn that there are now about eight of these elders in Rowan.

Charlotte Observer: The statement is made in Charity and Children—one of the best written and most interesting papers in the State—the organ of the Baptist orphanage at Thomasville, that the children in that institution are maintained at an expense of \$4.75 per capita per month. The figures are from the treasurer's report and hence authentic. They show how cheaply human life can be supported in North Carolina. But upon the amount named a child at Thomasville is not only fed, but clothed. Think of food and raiment for \$57.00 a year! Charity and Children, remarking with pride upon what it justly calls "this astonishing statement," adds that "the children are well fed and comfortably clothed in winter and summer." We are sure of it, for no institution of the State is under gentler, more humane management.

CORTELYOU WRITES SIMMONS.

Letter to McKinley Received. It Will Be Laid Before the President, Who is Now in Ohio.

Raleigh, July 21.—Chairman Simmons received today the following letter from Mr. Geo. B. Cortelyou, secretary to the president. The president is at home in Canton, it is presumed the papers have been forwarded to him there:

Executive Mansion.

Washington, July 20, 1900.

My Dear Sir: I beg leave to acknowledge the receipt of your letter of 16th instant, with enclosures, and to state that it will be brought to the attention of the president.

Very truly yours,
Geo. B. CORTELYOU,
Secretary to the President.
Mr. F. M. Simmons, Chairman, Etc.,
Raleigh, N. C.

LEAD!

Many golden opportunities have been lost by those who suffer from rheumatism. By taking Rheumoidin now they will be permanently and positively cured. Sold by J. B. Hood.

AN AMUSING ANIMAL.



His Majesty: "Ladies and gentlemen, the elephant will now pretend he is going to fight Bill! Ha, ha!"—New York Evening Journal.