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GENERAL NEWS.

Matters of Interest Condensed into Brief Paragraphs.

E. G. Rathbone, director of post of Cuba, was arrested Saturday.

The Sutro Cotton Mill and the Loan and Savings Bank at Yorkville, S. C., failed last week.

Bryan says he will discuss imperialism only in his letter of acceptance of the presidential nomination.

Georgia's first bale of cotton of the 1900 crop was marketed at Albany, Ga., Friday. It was grown by a negro farmer, weighed 397 pounds, and sold at 11 cents.

Emperor William in his address to the German soldiers about to sail for China charged them to spare no Chinese and make no prisoners, which has caused much adverse criticism.

The new ocean liner, the Deutschland, which made that record breaking trip westward, has also broken the record eastward, making the trip from New York to Plymouth in 5 days, 14 hours and 6 minutes, an average speed of 23 knots an hour.

A Cape Town special says that it is reported that Dewet, the Boer leader, has offered to surrender on condition his followers be permitted to return to their homes unmolested. It added that Roberts refused to entertain anything except unconditional surrender.

An account of the sailing of an airship is sent the state department at Washington by Consul Dubois. The ship sailed a distance of ten miles over Lake Constance, Switzerland. An accident to the steering apparatus caused it to settle slowly to the water without damage.

It is stated that Chas. A. Towne will be withdrawn from the national Populist ticket about August, at which time the Populist national committee will replace him with Stevenson for vice-president. It is said a cabinet position will be given Towne if Bryan is elected.

Arrangements have practically been completed for the purchase from Spain by the United States of the islands of Cebu and Cagayan which were left in Spanish possession by the treaty of Paris, although part of the Philippine archipelago. The price to be paid is \$100,000.

The testimony in the Powers trial at Georgetown, Ky., for the murder of Goebel is strong for the prosecution. The testimony conclusively shows that Goebel's assassination was the result of a conspiracy, in which Acting Gov. Taylor took a prominent part. The evidence is strong against Powers and others. One witness testified that when the fatal shot was fired he saw a rifle pointing out of a window of the secretary of state's office. The prosecution rested their case Saturday. It is expected that the case will last three weeks longer for defense and rebuttal testimony.

BASEBALL.

State League Games.

The executive committee of the State league met in Raleigh Friday. It was decided to play a second series of three games in each town, and a special committee was appointed to make a schedule and report by August 1st.

The committee decided contested games. The game played by Durham vs. Tarboro in Durham was ruled out and ordered to be played over again. The rules say that a game shall be called when the spectators occupying open seats have to seek shelter. Tarboro submitted affidavits alleging that the spectators had to leave their seats in the game referred to.

The protested game of Wilmington vs. Durham was also ruled out and this game will have to be played over.

The action of the committee affects the standing of the clubs, putting Charlotte in second place and Durham in third position.

FRIDAY'S GAME.

At Raleigh—Raleigh 4, Charlotte 6. The score was 4 to 1 up to the last inning when Cuddy knocked a home run for Charlotte when three men were on bases, winning the game.

At Statesville—Statesville 8, Wilmington 1.

SATURDAY.

At Statesville—The game between Statesville and Wilmington came to an end at the end of the 6th inning, after a row between umpire and pitcher, in which blows passed. The game was given to Statesville by the umpire by a score of 9 to 0.

The score at the end of the sixth inning stood 6 to 4 in favor of Wilmington. During the next inning the visitors withdrew from the game on account of alleged unfair decisions of the umpire.

At Durham—Charlotte 2, Durham 0.

STANDING OF STATE LEAGUE.

Team	W.	L.	P.	P. C.
Tarboro	14	5	355	
Charlotte	13	9	350	
Durham	12	9	371	
Statesville	6	8	428	
Raleigh	9	12	422	
Wilmington	6	19	333	

BLOODY PITCHED BATTLE

With the Negro Desperado Charles in New Orleans. He Kills Four Men Before He Is Shot Down. Infuriated Mob Burns Negro Houses.

New Orleans, July 27.—After a desperate battle lasting for several hours in which he succeeded in killing Sergeant Gabriel Porteous, Andy van Kurem, keeper of the police jail, and Alfred J. Bloomfield, a young boy, fatally wounding Corporal John F. Lally, John Barville, ex-policeman, Frank H. Evans, A. S. Locher, one of the leading confectioners of the city, and more or less seriously shooting several citizens, the negro desperado, Robert Charles, who killed Capt. Day and Patrolman Lamb and badly wounded Officer Mora, was smoked out of his hiding place in the heart of the residence section of the city and literally shot to pieces.

The tragedy was one of the most remarkable in the history of the city and 20,000 people—soldiers, policemen and citizens—were gathered around the square in which Charles was finally put to death.

Tremendous excitement reigned in New Orleans as the battle went on between the police and citizens and the negro with his Winchester.

At a late hour tonight a mob which had evaded the militia and police, attacked the Thomy Lafon school house, Sixth and Rampart streets, upon the supposition that negroes had stored arms and ammunition in the building. They quickly gained possession and fired the structure, destroying it completely. The school building was erected a few years ago by the city and was devoted exclusively to the education of colored children. No negroes were found in the school, but a number who emerged from houses in the vicinity were pursued for quite a distance. A strong force was dispatched to the scene as soon as the alarm was given but too late to save the school. The mob was quickly dispersed.

A complete list of casualties shows that six negroes and four whites have been killed and ten negroes and 20 whites wounded since the trouble began.

New Orleans, July 28.—All through the night the officers fought the mob that set out to fire the houses of negroes in the vicinity of the Hopitalous and Amelia streets. They finally drove off the rioters. About 80 tenements were fired at one time.

The Center of the Earth.

Of late years the general view has been that the interior of the globe, though partly liquid, is for the most part solid. Some have considered that a section through the earth would show the following:

(1) An outer solid envelope, (2) a semifluid envelope, (3) a fluid envelope, (4) a semifluid envelope, (5) a solid nucleus. No. 1 results from a reduced temperature only, No. 2 from a pressure and temperature not quite sufficient for liquidation, No. 3 from a temperature sufficiently high to produce complete liquidation, No. 4 from a pressure so great as to prevent even the terrific heat which most certainly exists deep down in the earth from completely liquefying the material on which it works, and No. 5 from a pressure which overcomes completely the liquefying power even of the maximum heat of the interior.

This pressure is estimated to be at the center of the earth 7,180,593,750 pounds to the square foot, a pressure so enormous that no known substance could fuse beneath it. Even hydrogen at the highest possible temperature would under such conditions become as hard as a diamond. Hence it seems probable that, far from there being a vacuum at the center of the earth, there is a basis of intensely solid matter there.—Pearson's Weekly.

Not a Bribe.

"You say," pursued the chairman of the legislative investigating committee, "that he resorted to no bribery whatever during the campaign, so far as you know?"

"Yes, sir," replied the witness; "that is what I said."

"Did he not circulate several boxes of cigars?"

"Yes, sir, but them cigars wasn't bribes. Here's one of 'em. You can try it."—Chicago Tribune.

Question Answered.

Yes, August Flower still has the largest sale of any medicine in the civilized world. Your mothers and grandmothers never thought of using anything else for Indigestion or Biliousness. Doctors were scarce, and they seldom heard of Appendicitis, Nervous Prostration, of Heart Failure, etc. They used August Flower to clear out the system and stop fermentation of undigested food, regulate the action of the liver, stimulate the nervous and organic action of the system, and that is all they took when feeling dull and had with headaches and other ills. You only need a few doses of Green's August Flower, in liquid form, to make you feel better, or, in tablet form, to break the matter with you. For sale by Tompkins-Marston Drug Co.

MORE CAMPAIGN LIES.

Charges Made by Butler's Organ Which It Knew Were False When Made.

Raleigh, N. C., July 27.—The Caucasian this week makes the charge that there are five negroes employed at Democratic headquarters. Of course this is not true, as everybody who goes to Democratic headquarters, and they are numbered by thousands, knows. Reporters go there every day, and know all the employees are white people.

Today's issue of Senator Butler's paper quotes the following from the Winston Republican: "Referring to some peculiar construction of the law, we quote a section as we find in copy in our possession with the brand of the State printer on it, 'Section 211. On the day of election any elector may and the judges of election shall challenge the vote of any person who may be known or suspected to be a duly qualified voter.' How can a duly qualified voter be challenged? Can Chairman Simmons explain? If the above is a misprint, then it is an oversight deplorable in the extreme."

The above is a correct quotation of section 21 as it appears in the printed election law sent out by Populist Secretary of State Thompson; but careful examination of the election law as amended by the June session, on file in Secretary of State Thompson's office, shows the word "not" is left out in the printed copy after the word "suspected." The law on file in Secretary Thompson's office reads, "or suspected not to be a duly qualified voter," and permits the challenge of illegal voters on election day.

Chairman Simmons discovered this error, which must have been made in Secretary Thompson's office, several weeks ago and notified the Democratic chairman throughout the State that the word "not" was in the original and omitted in printed copy.

A gentleman who examined this matter for Simmons states that the clerk in Secretary Thompson's office told him they had discovered the mistake there, and that it had worried them very much.

It is hardly possible that the Caucasian, when it quoted the Republican article, did not know there was a mistake, as pointed out above, and that the word "not," which is omitted in the printed copy, appears in the enrolled copy in Secretary Thompson's office. It therefore appears that what the Republican calls a deplorable mistake was made in Secretary Thompson's office. It appears that what the Caucasian holds up as a Democratic blunder is nothing but a Populist blunder.

There is no question about the right to challenge illegal voters on the day of election, outside of the section referred to in the article above. Section 16 of the election law specifically provides that an illegal voter may be challenged at any time.

News from China.

A Shanghai dispatch says that Prince Tuan has been killed in a fight with the Boxers who had revolted against him.

A cablegram announces the murder of all the foreigners and many natives in Taoting and the missions burned.

Unless the administration at Washington in a day or two gets positive proof of the safety of the legations at Peking it will abandon all faith in the Chinese statements.

Secretary Hay, who has just returned from Canton, Ohio, says the government will not accept the offer of the Chinese to turn over the ministers to the allies at Tien Tsin in consideration of suspension of the campaign against Peking.

Eighteen missionaries have been massacred at Tung Chau, where the churches have been burned.

It is thought the advance of the allies on Peking will begin this week.

Reports come to foreign mission boards of the massacre of all missionaries at Pao Ting Tu.

There is much bitterness in Germany toward the United States over the latter's attitude in the Chinese matter.

Minister Wu delivered to Secretary Hay an alleged solemn declaration of the Chinese government that the legations were safe July 24th, and receiving aid from that government.

China's Ultimatum.

Shanghai, July 28.—War or the protection of empire dowager and unity of the empire is the alternative presented to the powers by the powerful viceroys of the Yangtze provinces. The ultimatum of the viceroys is that there shall be no partitioning of China, and that the person of the empress dowager shall be held sacred, otherwise the present attitude of the viceroys will be changed. Until now the viceroys have professed friendship for the foreigners.

A Good Cough Medicine.

Many thousands have been restored to health and happiness by the use of Chamberlain's Cough Remedy. If afflicted with any throat or lung trouble, give it a trial for it is certain to prove beneficial. Coughs that have resisted all other treatment for years, have yielded to this remedy and perfect health has been restored. Cases that seemed hopeless, that the climate of famous health resorts failed to benefit, have been permanently cured by its use. For sale by J. E. Hood, druggist.

NEGRO CONGRESSMAN

Geo. White Writes Saying He Was Not Trying to Force Himself Among Whites on the Train.

Tarboro, N. C., July 25th, 1900. To the Editor of THE KINSTON FREE PRESS, Kinston, N. C.

Sir—My attention has just been called to an editorial in your paper of last Monday in which you state that "the negro Congressman Geo. H. White and his negro private secretary got in the white compartment of the car going from Goldsboro to Morehead City Sunday and was ordered out by the conductor, and ordered to go into the negro compartment, but that he, White, did not want to go there. The conductor told him he would have to go or be put off the train, that he still hesitated, but six or eight white men gathered around and told the conductor that they would take pleasure in throwing the scamp off anyway. Thereupon the negro congressman and his negro secretary gathered their grips and quickly went into the compartment assigned to negroes," etc.

I do not know who your informant was but beg to state that your editorial does me, inadvertently, perhaps, a grave injustice. The facts in this case can be proven by at least a dozen white men and colored men, and are as follows:

I had business in Newbern last Monday and took advantage of the cheap rates on the Sunday train which left Goldsboro Sunday morning. I got into the compartment at Goldsboro partitioned off and set aside for colored people where there were several other colored persons including two ministers. I rode in that compartment to Newbern, and all along the route, colored persons got in and out and no white persons were allowed in this compartment. At Newbern my private secretary and I got off the train to speak to some friends, leaving our satchel, umbrella, etc., in the compartment in which we came. On leaving Newbern, we stood on the platform until the train passed James City and then returned to the colored compartment in which we were riding to find it filled by whites. While hesitating on the platform, the conductor, Mr. Chas. K. Hancock, came along and suggested that we would find comfortable seats in the rear car. I thereupon remonstrated upon the humiliation of going through several crowded cars when I was already riding in the compartment provided by law for colored people. The captain made some remark to the effect that he disliked to ask the people to remove and without any further words we gathered our satchels, etc., and went back to a car in the rear.

As to the presence and the remark of six or eight white gentlemen alluded to, I know nothing—certainly nothing of the kind occurred in my presence. I have never had, have not now, nor do I ever expect to have any hankering to push myself among any class of people where I am not wanted. The circus incident to which you allude was started in much the same way as the incident now under discussion and had no foundation in truth. I beg that you will do me the justice to reproduce this statement in your columns and correct the error which you have made unwittingly, no doubt, and oblige.

Geo. H. White.

THE FREE PRESS gives space to the above because we do not wish to misrepresent anyone. If White states the matter truly we have done him an injustice and take pleasure in correcting the same.

He says the Tarboro circus incident happened much the same way. This occurred several years ago and we have never heard before that he denied it in any particular.

Geo. H. White.

Effective Prayer.

A very nice and gentle curate went to a Yorkshire parish where the parishioners bred horses and sometimes raced them. He was asked to invite the prayers of the congregation for Luck Gray. He did so. They prayed three Sundays for Luck Gray. On the fourth the clerk told the curate he need not do it any more.

"Why?" asked the curate. "Is she dead?"

"No," said the clerk; "she's won the steeplechase."

The curate became quite a power in the parish.

A Philadelphia Slander.

Bilger—You remember Tompkins? Yes? I saw him down at Philadelphia the other day. I was in the car, he on the depot platform. I stuck my arm out of the window to shake hands with him, and do you know before I could get hold of his hand—

Jigger—The train started, eh?

"No, my arm went to sleep!"—Types.

In the northwest provinces of India goats frequently eat without any ill effect the leaves and green stems of the akasa or madar, the milky juice of which is an acrid poison for human beings and is frequently used as such to infanticide cases.

Is Sure a Gold in One Day

Take Lasswell's Golden Orange Tablets. All coughs and colds the money if it fails to cure. W. W. Lasswell's signature is on each box. 2c.

STATE NEWS.

Interesting North Carolina Items in Condensed Form.

John Scarborough, the white man who was assaulted by the negro in Wake county, is in a very critical condition.

At Newbern last week a colored carpenter named Chas. Pollock fell from a church steeple and died from the injuries received.

Jonesboro Progress: We regret to learn that Mr. Jas. A. Campbell was killed by being run over by his team last Monday afternoon.

Butler advises his Populist friends that those who do not want anyone to know they vote against the amendment can vote a folded ballot.

The building and machinery of the Farmers' Milling Co., of Goldsboro, was burned Friday night. Insurance \$1,100. Loss some over that.

W. H. Mitchell has withdrawn as Populist candidate for sheriff in Hertford county and announces that he stands with his race for White Supremacy.

Fusionists had their county tickets printed in Raleigh. After Butler sent them out it was found they were incorrect so the bosses had others printed.

The Democrats had a great rally at Grindool, Pitt county, Friday. Between 3,000 and 4,000 people were present. Several splendid speeches were made and great enthusiasm prevailed.

Chas. H. Martin, former Populist congressman from the 6th district, has written a strong letter in favor of the amendment, truly saying that it will not disfranchise any native born white man.

Rev. Dr. W. S. Pettigrew, the oldest Protestant Episcopal clergyman in North Carolina, died Friday night at Kittrell, his home, aged 82 years. He was a member of the North Carolina State convention of 1861, which enacted the secession ordinance.

Aycock was greeted by 5,000 people at Clinton Saturday. Many men went armed to the teeth, being indignant at Populist threats that Aycock would not be allowed to speak there. About 800 red shirts were present, 300 being from Duplin. About 1,000 ladies were present.

Cy Thompson spoke at Fayetteville Friday to a crowd of 300 negroes and 50 white Rep.-Pops. Many Populists got disgusted and joined the White Supremacy rally of 1,200 whites in another part of the town. The negroes had been advised to stay away from Thompson's meeting, but they knew their crowd.

Salisbury Truth-Index: Mr. Jacob Hqnbarger, of China Grove, died Tuesday morning as the result of being sunburned about two weeks ago. Mr. Hqnbarger's shoulder was blistered while he was in the sun, but no attention was at first paid to it. It grew worse, however, and blood poison finally resulted.

Leslie Pearson, 14-year-old son of John N. Pearson, who resides six miles from Goldsboro, was kicked by a mule Thursday night, knocking him senseless and crushing in his skull. W. H. Cobb, Jr., was called and spent the whole of Thursday night at his bedside. On Friday Dr. W. H. H. Cobb, assisted by Dr. W. Cobb, and Dr. M. E. Robinson, performed an operation, removing several depressed pieces of the skull. The brains of the poor little fellow could be seen plainly. He has not at any time been perfectly conscious since the accident and his condition is very critical indeed.

THE ELECTION THURSDAY.

A Forecast of the Result. Amendment and Democratic Ticket Will Have 42,600 Majority.

Charlotte, N. C., July 29.—The Observer today prints special dispatches from every county in North Carolina, forecasting the result of the State election next Thursday, showing that the proposed constitutional amendment and the Democratic ticket will have over 40,000 majority, the exact figures being 42,600.

These estimates, it is claimed, are unbiased and forecast what correspondents in the 97 counties believe will be the actual result of the vote.

The figures show that Republicans and Populists will probably carry 19 counties, while 75 will give Democratic majorities ranging from 100 to 2,800. Three counties are put down as doubtful. In a summary of its forecast The Observer says:

"Among other things brought by a study of the specials from all over the State is the indication that the appeal of the Republican and Populist campaigners to the white voters of the middle and western sections of the State to go against the amendment for fear it would disfranchise those of them who cannot read has utterly failed. The only evidence of the success of the work on the illiterate voter is given in a few counties where the expectation is that the amendment will run slightly behind the Democratic State ticket. This loss, however, is probably offset in Republican counties in which the amendment will lead the vote."

In the above estimate Lenoir is put down for 500, Greene 500, Jones 350, Craven 400, Wayne 1,000, Wilson 350, Pitt 1,500, Onslow 800, Halifax 1,600, Edgecombe 1,800, Duplin 800.