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GENERAL NEWS.

Matters of Interest Condensed Into Brief Paragraphs.

Germany will get more first prizes at the Paris exposition than any other foreign nation.

The Democrats elected nearly everything in Alabama Monday, carrying the state by over 50,000 majority.

Eleven persons dead and a score of prostrations is the result of the heat Monday at Chicago. The maximum temperature was 93 degrees.

It is said positively that President Kruger is willing and anxious to surrender, provided a satisfactory promise will be given as to ultimate destination.

Minneapolis turned out last year 14,290,000 barrels of flour, requiring 70,000,000 bushels of wheat, and grinding at the rate of 200,000 bushels a day.

In a collision between a passenger and a freight train on the St. Louis Southwestern (Cotton Belt) Railroad, at Aurich, Ark., Monday five men were killed and two seriously injured.

A dispatch from Pretoria dated August 5th, says Gen. Kitchener has narrowed the circle around Gens. De Wet and Steyn by driving out the enemy from one of the flank positions which they held.

Grant Hoffman, aged 23 years, a bicycle racer, went to sleep on the pilot of a Baltimore and Ohio engine at Berlin, Md., and falling the wheels passed over his head. Death was instantaneous. His body was taken to Berlin.

B. Thiele, fourth officer of the Hamburg American liner Duetschland, blew out his brains during the voyage of the big ocean Greyhound that was finished when the steamer reached her pier in Hoboken Monday. He went asleep on duty and was disgraced thereby.

At Atlantic City, N. J., Monday, an unknown man committed suicide by shooting himself in the head after he had leaped from a pleasure yacht into the ocean. The suicide boarded the yacht at the Inn. As the boat was on its return trip he jumped from the bow. While efforts were being made to rescue him he flourished a revolver, and after shouting a farewell to those on the yacht, placed the pistol to his head and blew out his brains. His body has not been recovered.

Capt. G. Booker Jones committed suicide Monday, at his home at Hilton, Va., by shooting himself through the brain. The ball entered just above the right ear and caused probably instant death. About eighteen months ago, while climbing over a fence, Capt. Jones accidentally discharged a shotgun which blew off all the lower portion of his face. His recovery was deemed marvelous, but he suffered greatly from the injury, and was really dying when he killed himself. He could not have lived a week longer. Intense pain probably drove him to suicide.

Pamlico Dispute a Queer Affair.

Raleigh, August 6.—The Pamlico dispute is a queer affair. The country is a little one, with only 1,700 voters, isolated and without a railroad. Some years ago a man died, leaving property worth some \$30,000 and two little girls. His administrator was the richest man in the country. One of the girls married before she was of age and she and her husband ask for an accounting. The administrator said that only a few hundred dollars was due; and that the dead man owed him a bank account of \$10,000, and that there were other necessary expenses which had absorbed the estate. Suit was brought, and it was the biggest case ever tried in the county. It was freely said that no one would dare attack the character of the rich man who was administrator, but it was attacked and in the plainest terms he was charged with fraud. He was found to have perpetrated a gross fraud and the verdict was against him for the full amount claimed. He appealed and the supreme court affirmed judgment.

This suit engendered the bitterest kind of feeling and the rich man in question led a movement against the regular Democratic nominee. This fight was hot in the primaries. The line of cleavage was along this law suit. The straight Democrats carried the primaries overwhelmingly. The trouble at once began. A part of the minority Democrats, about 70 in number, joined forces with the Republicans and Populists, and the outfit put up a combination ticket, on which all three had candidates. Each had a separate committee—Republicans, Populists and bolters. Some very influential men are among the bolters.

Sampson County.

The board of county canvassers of Sampson county met Monday in Clinton and threw out the following precincts: Roseyents, Turkey, (Senator Butler's voting place), Herrings and Lisbon, which, though still giving the county to the Populists by about 500, reduces their majority enough to elect the Democratic nominee for the senate from the district composed of Sampson, Bladen and Harnett, Mess. George Currie and J. W. Robinson.

White's Black Liniment—Jell also 25c bottle for 15c. It cures pain.

BURR'S FIGHT AGAINST FATE

Just as Success Returned the Crushing Sorrows of His Life Came.

"Aaron Burr was 60 years old when he resolved once more to battle with fortune," writes William Ferrine in 'The Ladies' Home Journal.' "Going quietly into New York, he opened an office for the practice of law and in a fortnight had earned \$2,000 in fees. But hardly had he written to his daughter about his luck when there came from South Carolina the news that her beautiful boy, who had been the idol of the ambitious statesman, was dead.

"But there was in reserve for Burr a still heavier blow. Toward the close of the year 1812 Theodosia Allston made preparations to visit her father in New York. Passage was engaged on the schooner the Patriot for Theodosia, her physician and her maid, and the lovely woman was radiant with the expectation of meeting her father within the next five or six days. The Patriot sailed from Charleston out into the ocean in Christmas week, and not a vestige of her was ever again seen, and it is surmised—but nothing is known as to her fate—that she foundered off the coast of Hatteras.

"Day after day and long after all hope had been abandoned there might be seen on the Battery at New York the lonely and unhappy father, peering far down the bay as if he were scanning the sea for a sail. Of his agony Aaron Burr gave the world but little view. He had schooled himself in the habit of never exhibiting his emotions, but in one of his letters he declared that he felt as if he had been severed from the human race."

VIOLIN MUSIC.

Its Peculiar and Varied Effect on Wild Animals.

The violin was used recently with interesting results in experiments with all sorts of living creatures. First it was played before a tarantula. She paid no attention whatever to it. But a nest of scorpions became intensely excited and wiggled frantically.

A cobra showed remarkable susceptibility. She was sleeping soundly when the experimenters approached her, but the first tone awakened her, and she raised her head. As the music swelled she continued to rise till she was standing straight as a pillar, supported only by her tail. Every change in tempo and pitch had effect. The pizzicato made her puff her entire body, swift waltz music caused her to erect her ugly hood to its fullest size, and a sudden dissonance made her wind and twist her body as if she were in real agony.

The polar bear tried to dance to the sounds of the instrument. At least he swayed his body rhythmically and made a rumbling sound which portrayed deep measure. The grizzlies and the lions moved their paws and the lions their tails also in time with the music. It happened that a string snapped, with its peculiar, sharp smack, just as the player had begun to perform before the cage of a hyena. That poor animal at once hunched its back up, drew its tail between its legs and crouched, trembling, in the farthest corner of the cage. The elephant and the ostrich were delighted by soft tones and appeared to suffer true distress from loud and sharp notes.—New York Press.

No Use For Toes.

If shoes go on forever, why should not our toes grow together? We have no use for them. We can't manage them. About one man in 1,000 can pull on his interosseal muscles and spread out his toes. In the remaining 999 these muscles are as dead as fiber. They haven't been used since the infant stuck his toes in his mouth and crooned a baby song without words. If we wore mittens all the time, the individual control of our fingers would be lost. We eat so much soft food that we have scarcely any need of teeth. Gums would answer every purpose, as mastication is performed by machinery before we begin a meal. There are over 200 distinct muscles in the human body, of which the best of us keep about 100 in prime condition by proper use.—New York Press.

The Voice in High Altitudes.

Generally speaking, races living at high altitudes have weaker and more highly pitched voices than those living in regions where the supply of oxygen is more plentiful. Thus, in this country, among the Indians living on the plateau between the ranges of the Andes, at an elevation of from 10,000 to 14,000 feet, the men have voices like the women and the women like the children, and their singing is a shrill monotonous.

THE FIRST BATTLE.

The Chinese Resisted Allies Seven And a Half Hours.

Washington Aug. 6.—From the fact that the engagement lasted seven and a half hours, it is argued in the department that either the Chinese must have been heavily entrenched or that there was an immense horde of them so stubbornly contest the advance of the 16,000 international troops. It is figured by military experts that a loss of 1,200 killed and wounded on the part of the allies means a loss of three to six times as many by the Chinese. It is possible that a blow of this magnitude may break the resistance of the Chinese to the advance of the foreign column, but on the other hand it is possible that this may be one of a large number of places on the road that have been entrenched with a view to falling back and contesting the foreign advance so as to delay as long as possible the arrival of the foreigners at Peking.

Unless the opposition suddenly breaks down the military experts look for a desperate engagement when the troops reach the walled city of Tung Chow, which is said to be even more favorably located for purposes of defense than Tien Tsin.

Chinese Defeated by the Russians.

A dispatch received at the war office in St. Petersburg from Gen. Grodekoff, dated Khabarovsk, August 3d, says two squadrons reconnoitering near Teche engaged 1,000 Chinese with two guns and 250 cavalry. After a stubborn fight the Russians were reinforced by another squadron with two guns and defeated the Chinese, killing 200. The Russian loss was eight men killed and eight wounded.

This dispatch adds that the battle around Aigun was continued August 3d, the Cossacks losing 6 men killed and 25 wounded, and driving back the Chinese, killing 200 and capturing two guns and two flags. The inscription on one of the flags read: "The People of the Large Flat." Aigun, when the dispatch was sent, was burning. Other dispatches report Russian successes near Port Arthur.

Details of the Battle.

Che Foo, Aug. 7.—The Chinese works at Piesang have been captured by the allies and the first battle on the way to Peking won. The foreign troops are now in possession of the Chinese trenches. The fighting was fierce. A strong force of Americans participated, consisting of the Ninth and Fourteenth regiments, Reilly's battery and the marines. The allies attacked at daylight Sunday. The Chinese held a strong position behind deep trenches and heavy breastworks and loopholed houses. The allies advanced in the face of a hot fire. For seven hours the Chinese stubbornly resisted, then the foreign troops rushed on the position and the Chinese were swept from the trenches. The Americans fought gallantly.

The Russians Victorious.

London, Aug. 7.—The big battle between the Russians and Chinese near Talchow has resulted, according to a Shanghai dispatch, in a victory for the former and the killing of 3,000 Chinese. The Taotai, however, in spite of this, has refused the Russian demand to give up the forts there. It is now fully confirmed that the fourth brigade of Indian troops have been ordered to China.

Chinese War Notes.

It is said the United States and Russia are formulating an agreement for preserving the integrity of the Chinese empire.

Li Hung Chang notifies the consuls at Shanghai that the ministers left Peking for Tien Tsin last Friday, but they put no confidence in the statement.

Li Hung Chang says the Boxers are not rebels, but are true to the royal house. He says the present outbreak is due to the Chinese hatred of foreigners.

It is thought that Russian troops will move on Peking from another point—from Shan Hai Kwan—a longer route and better than the one chosen by the allied forces.

Hawaiian Pronunciations.

Hawaiians call their chief islands Hab-wy-ee; we say Hab-wy-ee. Other proper ways of giving well known Hawaiian names are: O-ah-hu, Ho-no-lulu. Mow-ee (Maui), Kow-aye (Kauai), Ne-c-how (Nihoa), Hee-lo (Hilo), La-ry-na (Lahaina), Ko-hah-la (Kohala). Vowels are as in Italian and deserve such care. Hawaiians pay little attention to consonants.—Baltimore News.

Staying at Home.

A lady residing in North Columbus meeting a girl the other day who had lately been in her service inquired:

"Well, Mary, where do you live now?"

"Please, ma'am, I don't live nowhere," rejoined the girl. "I'm married."—Indianapolis Journal.

What most people want is something mild and gentle when in need of a physic. Chamberlain's Stomach and Liver Tablets fill the bill to a dot. They are easy to take and pleasant in effect. For sale by J. E. Hood, druggist.

THE HALIFAX GAME.

A Fine Exhibition of Baseball. Score—Kinston 8, Halifax 3.

The finest game of baseball ever seen in Kinston was played at the ball park yesterday evening between Halifax and Kinston. Those who are not satisfied with such an exhibition as was given them must be extremely hard to please. We expected a fine game from the visiting team and we knew that if our boys captured the game they would have to hustle, but, frankly, we were surprised at the magnificent game they put up. We really believe that Kinston feels more pride over that game than over the recent election.

Halifax played an errorless game, perhaps the first ever seen here. Besides being free from error much of their field play was brilliant. But—they could not solve "Dunk's" curves. He pitched one of his best games, striking out 12 men and holding the hits down to three.

Harry Stevenson spread himself out over the centre "veldt" in the most gorgeous shape. He went for everything that flew beyond the diamond and not only that—he got it. He made a beautiful double by taking in a long, and seemingly safe, drive of Dunn's and throwing out Fitzhugh at first.

The only errors made by either side are charged up to George Sugg. They marred an otherwise perfect game, but playing short is not George's specialty. Those who attend today will see him pitch and it will be a different tale altogether.

Leon Oettinger will play short today. Leon was a number one short stop before he went north, two years ago, since which time he has not handled a ball until a week ago. He is rusty and allowance must be made on that account, but we think he will give a good account of himself.

Wooten went to bat five times and made four hits, one of which was good for two bags, but his sneak by first didn't go down with Umpire Herbert so he had to hustle back there.

Jones was at bat five times and made a single, a double and a triple and two sacrifices, which is eminently satisfactory to himself and his friends.

Lewis went to bat four times and made four hits one of them a two-bagger.

Today's game promises to be even more exciting than that of yesterday, as Halifax will put up a stronger pitcher and are determined to wipe out yesterday's defeat.

The attendance yesterday was the largest ever seen at our new grounds and we think that as large a crowd will be out today, and even a larger one is expected.

That is a nice crowd of boys—that Halifax team—and they merit your patronage.

The summary follows:

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Name	AB	R	BH	SH	PO	A	E		
Wooten, J.,	5	3	4	0	0	0	0	0	0
Oettinger, J.,	4	1	0	0	1	2	0	0	0
Jones, J.,	5	2	3	2	1	2	0	0	0
Herbert, J.,	5	0	0	1	8	0	0	0	0
Sugg, J.,	5	0	3	1	0	0	0	0	0
Stevenson, E.,	5	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Lewis, H.,	4	0	0	0	3	1	0	0	0
Dunn, J.,	4	1	4	0	12	0	0	0	0
Morton, J.,	4	1	1	1	0	3	0	0	0
Total,	41	8	16	5	27	7	3		

HALIFAX.									
Name	AB	R	BH	SH	PO	A	E		
Gregory, Q.,	4	0	1	0	3	4	0	0	0
Cheshire, J.,	4	0	0	0	2	4	0	0	0
Fitzhugh, C.,	3	0	0	0	4	1	0	0	0
Dunn, J.,	3	1	0	0	0	6	0	0	0
Sater, J.,	4	1	1	0	0	0	0	0	0
Bagley, J.,	4	1	0	0	15	2	0	0	0
Hoffman, J.,	4	0	1	0	2	3	0	0	0
Fenner, J.,	4	0	0	0	1	6	0	0	0
Gregory, F.,	4	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	0
Total,	32	3	3	0	26	20	0		

*NOTE—Herbert was put out by being hit by a batted ball.

Bases Stolen: Wooten, Oettinger, Jones, Sugg, (3) Lewis, Morton, Gregory, Q., Fitzhugh, Bagley, Hoffman, Gregory, F.

Two-base hits: Jones, Sugg, Lewis.

Three-base hit: Jones.

Double plays: H. Stevenson to Herbert; Dunn to Bagley to Cheshire.

Bases on balls: Off Morton 1; off Dunn 1.

Hit by pitched balls: Fitzhugh.

Struck out: By Dunn 3, by Morton 12.

Passed balls: Lewis 1, Fitzhugh 1.

Time of game: 1:45. Umpire, W. S. Herbert. Scorer, Dr. T. H. Faulkner.

A Twelve Hour Dinner.

They dined well, if not wisely, in the old days described by Sir Algernon West in his "Recollections." He says:

"Thanks to the introduction of smoking after dinner, wine drinking is now over. What it was in old days appears most incredible. The late Lord Clanwilliam told me of one occasion when he had dined at a friend's villa near Putney. The dinner was extraordinarily late for those days—at 8 o'clock.

"When they at last rose from the table and went up to their rooms, Lord Clanwilliam sung open his window and saw the haymakers coming into the field.

"I wonder," he thought, "what hour they begin work." And on consulting his watch he found it was 3:20—the haymakers were returning to work from their breakfast."—New York World.

The Best Prescription for Chills.

and Fever is a bottle of Chamberlain's Colic, Cholera and Diarrhoea Remedy. It is a household name. For more information see page 2, col. 2.

STATE NEWS.

Interesting North Carolina Items In Condensed Form.

William Major Gay, aged 73 years, a prominent citizen of Wilson, died Saturday night.

Registrar R. O. Fry was tried by a U. S. commissioner at Troy Monday upon affidavit of a negro. Case was dismissed.

H. L. Greene is certainly elected to the legislature from Wilkes, his majority over J. W. McNeil, Republican, being 41.

LaGrange Sentinel: On the night of Aug. 3rd, a thief entered the stables of Mr. Robert Hinnant a few miles from LaGrange and stole one of his best mules. The thief has not yet been caught.

Butler is still in Raleigh. His idea of making contests of legislative seats is heartily ridiculed. He says the election at Raleigh was quite a model one. It seems to have been pretty nearly as quiet everywhere.

Salisbury Truth-Index: Last night a negro named Cowan, while working in a shaft at the Whitney mine at Gold Hill, was killed by a dynamite charge going off before he was ready for it, or it went off quicker than he thought.

The State board of canvassers will meet August 30th. It is composed of Gov. Russell, Secretary of State Thompson, Walter H. Neal, J. D. McNeill, Wilson G. Lamb and E. H. Wilson. It will canvass the returns of the election held last week.

Chairman Simmons says the national campaign in this State will be a lively one. Of course it will not approach in liveliness or interest the State campaign just closed. Nothing has ever approached that and no doubt nothing ever will in the line of politics.

At an early hour Sunday morning the home of Mr. W. E. Turner, in the northern part of Durham, was burned to the ground and the family, consisting of father and three sons, had a narrow escape from being burned to death. A bird dog gave the alarm and woke Mr. Turner after a portion of the roof had fallen in.

The Greensboro Telegram has reliable information to the effect that Marion Butler has announced his intention of leaving North Carolina forever. Butler also made the statement to a Republican a few days before the election that if the Democrats carried the amendment and the legislature, he would use his influence to give the State to McKinley in the November election.

Louisburg Times: Information reaches us of a fatal shooting affair on Thursday at Clifton's Mill while the election was going on. The difficulty grew out of an old feud we learn, and, although happening on election day, politics had nothing to do with it. Details are very meagre and about all that we could learn was that Cary Strickland shot Sam Robbins in the leg with a shot gun in a general row in which some half dozen were engaged. Robbins died from his wound. All parties were Democrats.

Standing of the State League.

Tarboro, N. C., August 6. To the Press: I herewith hand you the standing of the different clubs in the North Carolina Baseball association. Tarboro wins the pennant and Charlotte and Raleigh tie for second place. Please publish. No games played after August 4th count in the championship. The association thanks the press of the State for the prominence given baseball in its columns.

	Won.	Lost.	Per Cent.
Tarboro	16	8	.667
Raleigh	13	13	.500
Charlotte	11	11	.500
Durham	10	12	.454
Wilmington	9	11	.450
Statesville	7	11	.412

Yours truly,

W. STAMPS HOWARD,
Secretary.

LATEST ESTIMATES.

Democrats Will Have Forty Senators and 102 Representatives.

Raleigh, N. C., Aug. 7.—The official returns are still not received from many counties. Official and unofficial returns show forty Democratic senators and 102 members of the house. Later returns confirm the former estimates as to majorities for the amendment and State ticket.

F. M. SIMMONS.

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 serious 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 curing these lung troubles. Chamberlain's Cough Remedy. It not only cures the cough, but it cures the throat and lungs. It cures the patient's system and restores the patient to health. It cures the patient's system and restores the patient to health. It cures the patient's system and restores the patient to health.