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# GENERAL

Matters of Interest Condensed Into Brief Paragraphs.

Not having money enough to wed, Narmer Jones and Bonnie Turner, two young people living near Clinton, Mo., take poison and die.

The South African war has already cost the British about \$400,000,000, or at the rate of \$40,000,000 a month. And they have not got to the end yet.

The Democrats at the state convention at Cedar Rapids, Iowa, Thursday nomi-nated a full state ticket and adopted a platform and pledging support to Bryan and Stevenson.

The gate receipts from the recent Fitz-Ruhlin dispute amounted to \$40,000, of which the mug punchers got one half, the principal puncher getting 75 per cent., the punches 25.

Former United States Senator John J. Ingalis died at East Las Vegas N. M., Thursday. He was surrounded by his family. The funeral will be held in Atchison, Kansas,

Edward M. Sheppard, an eminent lawyer and leader of the gold Democrate of Brooklyn, has formerly re-entered the Democratic field, making emphatic an-nouncement of his determination to vote for Wm. J. Bryan.

Junita Guerrera, 19 years old, daughter of Don Juan Jose Guerrera, killed herself at Realitos, Texas, Wednesday by saturating her clothing with coal oil and burying herself in a lot of shuck also saturated with coal oil and igniting

Inquiries are being made at West Hartlepool and on the northeast coast generally, by a Liverpool house, on behalf of the French government, for steamers to carry a million tons of coal from Norfolk and deliver it in France within the next fifteen months.

The dead bodies of James Pickett and James Sharp, two negro miners, were found Wednesday in slope No. 6 at Pratt City, Ala., having been killed by falling slate, which was piled on them to the depth of five feet. They were not missed until Thursday, when a search revealed their mangled bodies in the mine.

Representative Springer, of Illinois, says that 90 per cent. of the gold Demo-crats in his state, most of whom voted for McKinley in 1896, are now for Bryan. The Germans, he declares, were flocking to Bryan, and it looks almost like a political revolution in the state. The Democratic candidate for governor, he says will probably get almost the entire German Lutheran vote.

Former President Steyn, according to a dispatch to the Daily mail from Loren-zo Marques, dated Wednesday, is report-ed to have died while endeavoring to reach Mr. Kruger, as the result of a se vere wound. A British correspondent, recently released from captivity, asserts positively that Mr. Kruger wishes peace, but that the fighting commandants in-sist upon continuing the war and would prevent his flight by force if necessary.

The picture of William Jennings Bryan saved Frank Swan, of Utica, N. Y., from drowning. Swan and Elmer Gray, of Troy, who were camping on the shores of Cayuga lake, started Wednesday in a boat for Burns creek, but the current was so swift that the craft was overturned, throwing both young men into the water. Swan had a large picture of W. J. Bryan in a heavy frame. He could not swim and grabbed the picture and was enabled to reach the shore in this way.

Herbert and Henry E. Janes, of New York, doing business under the firm name of Janes and Kirtland, wholesale dealers in hardware, stoves, and ranges, made an assignment Thursday for the benefit of their creditors. The firm had several large deals on hand and the banks refused to carry them until they could fulfill their contracts and realize on the same. The resources are personal prop-ty, \$110,000, and real estate, \$450,000. The liabilities amount to about \$450,

The failure of the Winchester authorities to obtain admission to the Central State insane asylum, at Petersburg, Va., for a colored insane person, confined in fail at Winchester, Va., has revealed the fact that during the present heated term insanity has increased among the colored people of the state to such an extent that the asylum is crowded. Supt. Drury, in a letter today, said that there were over 100 applications for admission, but the patients could not be accommodated.

Value of Consulships.
"Young man," said a noted Illinois

congressman in the house restaurant at the capitol, "when you get a chance select a smoky city, one where there are many factory chimneys. Do not try for the fashionable capitals. Leave them for the embassadors. Go where the air is murky, for there business is lively, and many a consignment is sent to the United States. This means fees, and fees mean a good income for the

haps that the political support of this particular consul is weak, and then influence is used, and soon there is a change.

"One of the most profitable consulships is that of Liverpool. The salary is \$6,000, but the fees bring the emoluments up to several times that amount, and a generation ago the income of the consul at Liverpool was \$50,000 a year. This has been reduced by abolishing fees."-Pittsburg Dispatch.

#### The Kentucky Mountaineers.

There are no more strikingly interesting people in America than these isolated mountaineers, who make their homes generation after generation among the fastnesses of the eastern section of the "dark and bloody ground." The waves of civilization which swept westward along the St. Lawrence, the Erie canal and a dozen other routes seem to have found at this point in the Appalachians an insurmountable barrier and rolled back, leaving the descendants of the pioneers of a century and a half ago with many of the same habits and customs and traditions dear to the hearts of their traditions dear to the hearts of their forefathers.

A man who knows the whole country as a child does his first picture book told me that if any person took the trouble to go through a copy of Shakespeare and pick out all the obsolete words he would find nearly all of them in common use among these mountain folk. In their phraseology we find "holp" for "help," "hit" for "it" and other words which, far from being corruptions, are the pure old Anglo-Saxon. Even their ballads are memories of ages gone by, and I know of one man who, after riding 200 miles through the mountains for the purpose, finally picked up, from hearing the women sing them, the full 13 verses of an old Scotch ballad which proved to be identical with those recorded in a diary bearing the date 1665.-International Magazine.

Improvement In Domestic Swine, The improvement of the domestic on the wild bog has been very marked in many ways, in the opinion of The American Agriculturist. The long, narrow head with large, heavy ears has given place to the short, broad, thick head with the dished face, turned up nose and small, pointed ears not as large as a man's hand. The back has been straightened, the legs shortened and the hams and shoulders made as broad as they are high. Another wonderful improvement has been in the disposition. The wild, vicious boar or sow which was dangerous to meet bas become doelle and gentle, so that a good brood sow with a litter of pigs is as safe to handle as any other domestic animal. Another improvement has been in the power of assimilation, so that while a pig of the present time does not consume any more food than one of the seventeenth century, it is able to convert a greater percentage of it quality is one of the most important differences between the two types. It is no longer customary to feed pigs for 18 months or two years to get them into market condition. They now attain the same weight in from 8 to 12

Speech and Ambidenter

"Here's a scientist," she said, look-ing up from the paper, "who assorts that the reason people are right hand-ed is that the motor speech function controls the right side of the body and consequently right handedness grows with speech."

to be a consul for the United States Reported, but the Report Lacks Confirmation. Japanese Arranging an Armistice. Legations Safe.

London, August 17, 2:45 a. m.—A cablegram to Vienna from Hong Kong announces the capture of Pekin, but the and fees mean a good income for the consul."

In the course of his chat the congressman made the general statement that consuls who are making the most money from fees are the quietest, most unassuming, uncomplaining employees of the government. "They do not set up claims for a salary instead of fees," he said. "Oh, no; but like the wise boy where the raspberries are thick they let the world forget, so far as possible, that they are on earth. Let a consular office be changed from the fee to the salary system, and it at once becomes alluring to a voracious lot of aspirants. Some one finds out perhaps that the political support of this

The western powers, according to a dispatch to The Daily Press, from Kobe, approved the proposals formulated by the Japanese, for arranging an armistice, dependent upon the immediate delivery of the foreign legations to the allies, or the granting of permission to the allied forces to enter Pakin and to guard forces to enter Pekin and to guard the legations. Upon these bases, the correspondent says, Japan has already begun to negotiate.

Shanghai dispatches declare that the Chinese had intended to make a final at-tack upon the legations last Sunday but

whether the plan was carried out is not known there.

The concensus of opinion expressed by the morning papers tends to the belief that the legations are now safe with the allies. Concerning the capture of Hosiwu, a special dispatch says the headgear of the Americans was quite insufficient for the awful heat, and that the consequences were direful.

I matter into consideration.

The manager has lost money on the game until these two games.

We hope to get things in such shape that by next season we will have a well equipped athletic association which will be able to take charge of the sport and arrange some interesting games for our people.

The score of yesterday follows:

Name

#### Affairs at Shanghai.

Berlin. August 16.—A semi-official dis-patch from Shanghai, dated Wednesday,

not withdrawn from Wusung it will constitute a menace to the safety of Shanghai. These troops ought to landed on the basis of an international understanding. To insure the adequate safety of Shaughai, more troops ought to be landed immediately."

Hong Kong, August 16.—It is reported that the Canton customs department has received a dispatch saying that Sir Robert Hart, director general of the Chinese imperial maritime customs, accompanied by his staff, has left Pekin under Chinese escort and that a cruiser will be sent to meet him on his reaching the coast.

## WILSON DEFEATED.

Not so Good a Game. Score Kinston 11, Wilson 1.

All day long yesterday the sports were backing Wilson heavily, the odds stand-ing at about 2 to 1 in her favor and many bets were made at 3 to 1. Most of those who backed the home team did so from patriotic reasons rather than through confidence in their ability to pull

But the sports went down and the patriots are happy.

Such excitement as was manifest in the grand stand during and after the game has never before been witnessed here. Even the ladies were rooting for the boys in no uncertain manner.

All this was because our team was beaten the day before and the full sympathy of the town was with us, whereas heretofore much of the sympathy has gone the other way.

The game has taken entire possession of the town and nothing else is talked on

the streets at this writing.

The game was just such a one astickles the average andience—everything going their way and lots of hitting going on. But in points of real interest it was not so good a game as that of the previous

when Sugge first went into the box he was almost as badly rattled as Lloyd Wooten was when he was shoved up into the Halifax game. George was white and nervous—in other words he had stage fright. Those hard hitters loomed before him as giants and dragons.

Anderson, the first man up took the first ball pitched and pounded out a neath it to right but overreached himself in trying to make it a two-bagger and was caught at second. Then on for three innings every man up his the hall, six of them safely. Still we did not lose confidence in the "kid." Weknew thathe had the stuff in him and that he would find his nerve after a bit and put the aluggers to greening. And so he did, for from the loarth inning to the end only two more lifts could the visitors get, one being Whitley's two-bugger.

In the touris Whitley led off with a

OF PEKIN two-bagger and took third on a passed ball. Moore, following, bunted to Sugg, who held the ball, fearing to let Whitley in on throw to first. Then Gay struck out and Alley flew out to Johnson. Anout and Alley flew out to Johnson. Anderson came next with a slow grounder to Jones who, having time to burn, held the ball too long and then threw too low to Herbert who fumbled and scored Whitley on a walk in. Thus Wilson got her only run and by the narrow thread she was saved an ignominious shut out. Kinston made three earned runs, one in the fourth by hits from Wooten, Stevenson and Sugg. one in the fifth on sucression and Sugg.

in the fourth by hits from Wooten, Stevenson and Sugg, one in the fifth on successive hits by Morton, Wooten, Stevenson and Sugg, and one in the eighth by Lewis' single followed by Johnson's two bagger and Hickson.

Two pretty double plays were made, one from Jones to Johnson to Herbert and another from Morton in right field to Johnson.

to Johnson.

The main features of the game were Johnson's hard hitting and Sugg's neat work in the latter part of the game, after he had found his nerve.

In the fifth the kid struck out both of

the Wilkins and he feels proud over it as well he might.

These two Wilkins boys are good hard

ball players and are a great strength in themselves to any team. Incidentally their father contracted and built our present court house, in 1879.

The attendance yesterday was not quite so good as at the previous game but we think that from the gate receipts of these two games the ground will be cleared from debt and the promoters of the sport be able to get things in better abase for the future

shape for the future.

Baseball is a very expensive sport and few people seem to take this part of the

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Suggs, rf.... 4 Herbert, rb,..... 3 Total,...... .. 41 11 14 0 27 10 Stolen bases: Whitley, Moore, Hick-son, Morton, Stevenson, Herbert. Two-base hits: Whitley, Johnson,

Three base hits: Johnson.

Double plays: Jones to Johnson to
Herbert, Morton to Johnson.

Bases on balls: Off Wilkins 1.

Struck out: By Wilkins 6; by Suggs 7.

Passed balls: Wilkins 5; Lewis 2.

Earned rune: Kinston 3. Time of game: 2 hours. Umpire, Cameron; scorer, Faulkner.

The manager and those who helped him guarantee expenses, such as paying railroad fare and board for visiting teams and other incidental expenses, such as paying in some instances members of the Kinston team for their playing ball, the Kinston team for their playing ball, for balls, bats, gloves, advertising bills, policing the grounds, gate keeper, etc., have had good luck in not having a single rainy day in 10 games played and also by receiving liberal patronage. But owing to getting clubs from such long distances, up to the last games with Wilson the management had more liabilities than assets. Fortunately the Wilson team was such a good one that the gate receipts were swelled beyond expectation and even though the expenses of getting the Wilson team to Kinston was as much as \$80, enough was taken in to pay this and all other indebtedness. The manager has had some responsibility, with no pay, and those few who helped him give Kinston cranks 10 games of base ball have his appreciation.

The grand encampment of Odd Fellows adjourned its filty-third annual session at Wilmington Thursday night to meet in Elizabeth City next year.

## Question Answered.

Interesting North Carolina Items In Condensed Form.

Dr. J. Montgomery Reece, a prominent physician of Elkin, has become insane and was carried to the State hospital at Morganton Wednesday.

Pierce Sauve, bookkeeper of the First national bank of Tampa, Fla., was killed by lightning at Asheville Thursday. He was 30 years of age and married.

An effort is being made to establish a \$100,000 brewery in Raleigh. Northern parties will furnish \$75,000 of this amount if the other is raised in Raleigh.

It is learned that Dr. Cy. Thompson contemplates defining his position nationally in The Caucasian and the doctor's views, it is understood, very nearly coincide with Butler's.

LaFayette Sheppard was instantly killed at a saw mill in Waynesville Tuesday afternoon. He was caught on a belt and his brains were dashed out and his neck broken by coming in contact with overhead timbers.

The Roanoke News gives the official figures of the vote in Halifax county. Six thousand two hundred and eighty votes were cast for the amendment and 899 against it. Ayeock received 6,618 votes, and Adams received 877 votes.

E. A. Johnson, the negro chief clerk in the district attorney's office at Raleigh says the Republican national committee and the McKinley administration will not sanction any attempt to create a lily-white Republican party in this State.

An afternoon paper at Wilson Thursday published an account of the killing by their father and his third wife of the four children of George Griffin, in Nash county. It is alleged that the children were imprisoned in an outhouse and al-lowed to die of starvation. The pair have been jailed.

One of the largest forest fires that has been known in this country for several years has been burning in the Moss Neck section, Robeson county, since last week. It originated from sparks from an engine on the Carolina Central Railroad. This is the second recent fire they have had from this cause. from this cause.

A Tarboro Southerner correspondent writes from near Hartsease that on last Friday the people assembled to join with Rev. J. P. Hill, of the Free will Methodies church, in praying for rain. Mr. Hill began praying in the morning and with great earnestness. Friday night, while he was preaching, two persons (names not given) saw a ball of fire leave the top of the bouse and go upwards. This, when it became known greatly excited. when it became known, greatly excited the people. As rain soon came, it was believed by many that the ball of fire was a sign, or a spirit, sent to signify that the prayers had been heard.

VANCE MONUMENT UNVEIL-ING.

#### A. & N.C. Will Run a Special Aug. 22. Low Rates of Fare.

All the A. & N. C. coaches to go through to Raleigh without change, including the elegant Atlantic and North Carolina par-lor buffet car "Vance."

Special train for accommodation of all persons on the line of the A. & N. C. R. B., giving seven hours in Raleigh to witness the ceremonies of unveiling the statue of Z. B. Vance. Special to return same day. Fare for round trip, when tickets are purchased, GOOD FOR ONE DAY, AUGUST 22, 1900.

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The newspaper advertisment is the "drummer" for retail stores and for many other enterprises. It goes out to the great body of the people daily, with information that is to their interest, and thus enlivens business. It is the principal thing that prevents the midsummer duliness which afflicts the wholesale trade from overwhelming the retailers. When a wholesale house lays off its drummers its business languishes. The same result follows when a retail establishment cuts down its advertising.