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## GENERAL NEWS.

Matters of Interest Condensed into Brief Paragraphs.

Edison is said to have at last succeeded in generating electricity from coal.

The entire business portion of Manita, Ill., was burned Friday morning. The town has a population of 1,200.

Corporal Lanier Schley, a nephew of the admiral, has died in the Philippines of wounds received last January.

Prof. Fothergill, an aeronaut, fell 250 feet from his balloon at Michigan City, Ind., on Wednesday, sustaining fatal injuries.

A fire at Liberty, Pa., Friday morning destroyed a hotel, store and three other buildings. One man was burned to death and five horses perished.

From reports received the census officials in Washington figure out the population of this country at about 75,578,000, an increase of 12,956,000 over 1890.

The Fifth Avenue Savings bank, at McKeesport, Pa., failed to open its doors Friday morning. Thousands of working men will lose hundreds of dollars by this each. It is reported that Secretary Dearborn is short \$32,000.

Russia, America and France against Germany, Italy and Austria, with England and Japan yet to be heard from, is the alignment of the powers on the question of withdrawal of troops from Pekin, with probabilities of the last two being against the proposal.

When the Chicago man makes up his mind to play a practical joke he goes about it in dead earnest. One of these, a few days ago, fastened a wire to the shore, tied the other end to one of his arms, drove a stake in the water, hung his hat on the stake, left a note saying "at the other end of the wire you will find a man," and then drowned himself.—Wilmington Star.

A dispatch from Cincinnati says: After three days' deliberation, the conference of distillers and distributors has accomplished what seemed to be the closest association, if not the strongest combine of spirit distilling interests since the days when the Distilling and Cattle Feeding company controlled 95 per cent of the output of such goods. As a result of the conference, every spirit producing distillery of the country has joined the Distillers' association.

The Tourists' union, commonly called the "hobos," at their convention at Britt, Iowa, last week nominated Admiral Dewey for president and "Filipino" Joe for vice president. "Tomato Can" Smith, in nominating him, said that the admiral had no home for forty years, and when he got one he gave it away. This was enough to get every vote in the meeting. The platform of the union: "The paramount issue this year we believe to be the free and unlimited distribution of beer without waiting for the aid or consent of any brewery. We demand free silver, free lunch, and free passes."

## PRESS ASSOCIATION'S PAPER MILL.

Mr. Z. W. Whitehead, Chairman of Committee, Hopeful of Establishment.

Wilmington Star.

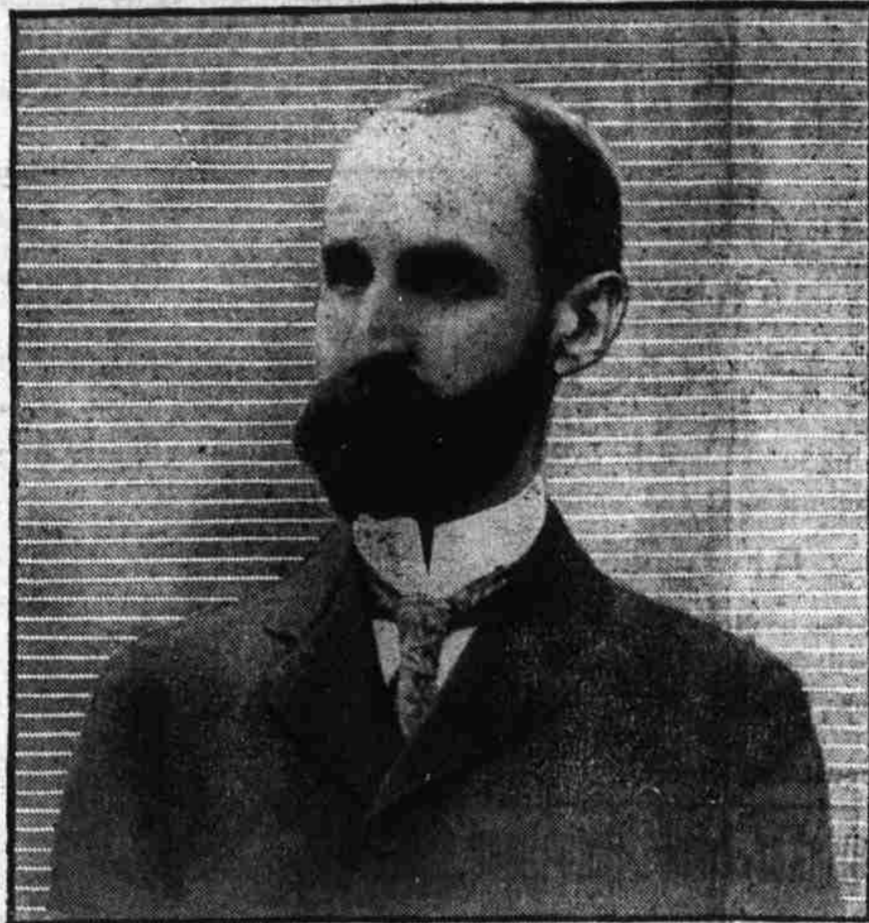
Mr. Z. W. Whitehead, editor of the Southern Milling and Lumber Journal, who was appointed chairman of a committee at the recent meeting of the State Press association at Asheville to inquire into the practicability of the establishment of a paper mill to be run under the auspices of the State Press association and combat the evils arising from the paper trust, talks very hopefully of prospects for seeing the project materialized and that very soon. He is in correspondence with several experienced paper manufacturers with reference to the proposed establishment of a paper mill and thinks that two of the number will take half of the \$75,000 stock necessary to build and equip a modern factory of the kind needed.

Gen. Julian S. Carr has signified his intention of taking \$10,000 stock in the enterprise and Mr. Whitehead is of the opinion that the remaining \$27,500 can be easily raised by the newspaper men of the State, provided the matter is pushed at once.

Resides Mr. Whitehead, other members of the committee are Mess. W. C. Dowd, of the Charlotte News, and J. B. Whitaker, of the Winston Sentinel.

## AUGUST FLOWER.

"It is a surprising fact," says Prof. Houten, "that in my travels in all parts of the world for the last ten years, I have met more people having used Green's August Flower than any other remedy for dyspepsia, deranged liver and stomach and for constipation. I find for tourists and salesmen, or for persons filling office positions, where headaches and general bad feelings from irregular habits exist, that Green's August Flower is a grand remedy. It does not injure the system by frequent use, and is excellent for sour stomach and indigestion." Sample bottle free at Temple-Morton drug store. Sold by dealers in all civilized countries.



WILLIAM M. JOHNSON.

Mr. William M. Johnson, the new first assistant postmaster general, is a resident of Hackensack, N. J. He has been for several years a member of the New Jersey legislature and has served as president of the state senate.

## THE SCARCITY OF COTTON.

The Supply of the Staple is at a Lower Level Now Than It Has Been Since the War.

Manchester, Sept. 6.—The greatest interest is felt in tomorrow's meeting of the Lancashire spinners, convened by the Federation of Cotton Spinners, at which a proposal will be brought forward to discontinue buying American spot cotton. Since the announcement was made that such a conference would be held, there has been such a rush upon the small stocks of cotton in the hands of Liverpool brokers that today's sales advanced from 3,000 to 15,000 bales, with the result that not more than 100,000 bales are left.

Cotton has not been so scarce before since the days of the American civil war. The purchasers are chiefly employers having large contracts on hand. It is hoped that the situation may be saved by the arrival of the new crop from America toward the end of the month.

## Against American Spot Cotton.

Manchester, Sept. 7.—At the cotton spinners' meeting today it was decided practically unanimously not to purchase American spot cotton in September. It is expected that this will close scores of mills for several weeks.

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

J. E. HOOD.

## A Horse's Blinders.

A horse's blinders are usually concave on the inside. True, the surface usually is a dead black, but not absolutely so, so that a glimmer of light may be reflected from them. By constant cleansing this dead surface is made more or less smooth if not actually glossy and shiny. Moreover, the blinders are usually set at an angle, so that as a result of the law of reflection rays of light concentrated by the convex surface are reflected into the eyes, not directly in the axis of vision, but more or less transversely or obliquely, the result being even more injurious. As a result of this reflection the vision is weakened if not destroyed.

Moreover, the mirrorlike blinders not only reflect sunlight, but they reflect objects as well, so that a "blinded" horse sees not only objects directly ahead of him, but has a more or less blurred vision of other objects, intermingling with and confusing the image of objects directly before him, and as a consequence he is rendered uncertain in his movements and is easily scared. No further proof of this is needed than the fact that a nervous horse with a reputation for shying and running away often becomes tractable if the blinders are removed, because he can then see distinctly what before he could only see indistinctly and confusedly.—Our Animal Friends.

## One Quite Enough.

"I don't see how any sane man can want more than one wife," he said as he finished reading an article on Turkey.

"Yes; one is quite enough, isn't it, dear?" she returned. "The human heart is not large enough for more than one, and then polygamy always seems to me to so cheapen women too."

"I wasn't thinking of that," he answered. "What bothers me is how any man can go to work deliberately to accumulate troubles—to make a collection, as you might say."—Chicago Post.

## As Good as Teeth.

Less than an hour's ride from New York is a community in which a certain meat and vegetable grinding machine has attained such popularity that it threatens to affect the dentist's work and income. Not content with using it for the preparation of hash and similar made over dishes, it is screwed to the table in many houses and made to do the work of knife and fork in cutting up food.

"Father and I was talkin about gettin some false teeth," said one elderly woman, "but since we bought this machine, I declare, we don't need 'em, and we can save the money. I guess it would cost as much as \$5 apiece for us to get new teeth, and I bought this machine for \$1.15. If I'd only know'd it, they had a bargain sale one day when I could a got it for 85 cents."—New York Press.

## Business Tomorrow.

When the Spartans seized upon Thebes, they placed Archias over the garrison. Pelopidas, with 11 others, banded together to put Archias to the sword. A letter containing full details of the plot was given to the Spartan polemarch at the banquet table, but Archias thrust the letter under his cushion, saying, "Business tomorrow." But long ere that sun arose he was numbered with the dead.

## Ready For Use.

"Beg pardon," said the long haired visitor, "but is there a literary club around here anywhere?"

"Yes, there is," said the editor significantly, reaching under his desk. "Are you a literary man?"—Catholic Standard and News.

## Hacking

There is nothing so bad for a cough as coughing. It tears the tender membrane of the throat and lungs, and the wounds thus made attract the germs of consumption. Stop your cough by using the family remedy that has been curing coughs and colds of every kind for over sixty years. You can't afford to be without it.



loosens the grasp of your cough. The congestion of the throat and lungs is removed; all inflammation is subdued; and the cough drops away.

Three sizes; the one dollar size is the cheapest to keep on hand; the 50c. size for coughs you have had for some time; the 25c. size for an ordinary cold.

"For 15 years I had a very bad cough. The doctors and everybody else thought I had a trouble of consumption. Then I tried Ayer's Cherry Pectoral and it only took a bottle and a half to cure me."

F. MARION MILLER, Camden, N. Y. Oct. 25, 1898.

## GRAVEYARD MISTAKES.

Notes From Sermon Last Sunday, 8 p. m., by Rev. D. H. Tuttle.

There are small mistakes that need hardly to be mentioned; such as those made in location, in measures, misspelling in epitaphs, wrong dates, etc. There is danger of making very serious and irrevocable mistakes in connection with our graveyards. Some of these we point out that they may be guarded against.

1st mistake. Don't be in too great haste to get your dead to the graveyard. Some have been buried alive. You can't remedy this mistake if you find that it was made.

2d mistake. Do not be in a hurry to get to your grave. You are a free agent, and therefore can so conduct yourself as to get to the graveyard soon or late. Suicide is a "lightning express." Don't take that route. Eccl. 7:9. "Be not over much wicked, neither be thou foolish: why shouldst thou die before thy time." "Whatsoever thy hand findeth to do, do it with thy might; for there is no work, nor device, nor knowledge, nor wisdom, in the grave, whither thou goest." Eccl. 9:10.

3rd mistake. Failure to pay for clothes and coffins that the dead are buried in, and for tombstones that mark their graves. Graveyards are located on the dividing line betwixt time and eternity, and graves are the doors that open into eternity. Yet in spite of all this some are so dishonest all along life that death debts like all others are left unpaid. These words do not apply to some honest people who would pay if they could.

4th mistake. Putting too many flowers on the graves, and too few flowers in the life pathway of people. On the grave they wilt and die unknown to the silent dead, but given to those whose lives are shadowed with care, or to the "weary passer-by," or in the homes of the poor and lowly, they become proof of living fellow sympathy; recall departing hope; put the sunshine of cheerfulness on the face, and fill with fragrance life's future prospect. Some have put flowers on the graves of people—great wreaths—who had never given as much as a little lily or violet to them while living. Let me have a chance at your flowers while I live; kind old mother earth will do her best for my grave.

5th mistake. Not to bury the faults and failures of the dead with them. Keep nothing out of their graves that in their lives was unprofitable to humanity. Whatever good there was in the life let us give that a place in ours, and thus perpetuate the good in the world while we bury the bad.

6th mistake. Graveyard idolatry. Too many people make the graves of departed loved ones an altar of continued worship. This because they loved the creature more than the creator, and were not able to say at their death, "Thy will be done." If we would be comforted in death's sorrow we must in calm resignation to God's will leave our dead to the grave's sweet silence while we turn to the services of Christ in softening and sweetening the sorrows of the living.

7th mistake. There are monumental mistakes—too much money frozen into cold memorial granite and marble that might greatly bless the world were it placed as a memorial loan fund for the benefit of many poor boys and girls who desire to attend our colleges and universities. We have known many single monuments to cost an amount sufficient to build a neat church in a community where the people were too poor to build for themselves. There are great differences in the condition of people outside of the graveyard, and we carry these differences inside and memorialize them in the difference we behold in the stones that mark their graves. Some people take their money as far as they can—spend all they can on and for themselves both outside and inside the graveyard. Make of your money memorial monuments in your churches, schools, and hospitals for blessing the living.

8th mistake. To try to make people good after they get in the graveyard. Too late. See Rev. 22:11. Christian characters for the dead can't be cut into a tombstone; they are the result of habitual obedience to God's holy laws, amid life's trials, temptations and duties. "Asleep in Jesus" is a lie cut on the tombstones of some people—even church members.

9th mistake. A very great mistake to think that man's destiny ends in a graveyard. Our real being is not visible; but unseen, spiritual, immortal. The real man can hide himself behind his outward actions, or outspoken words. Such a being will live forever in a spirit world into which the grave is but an entrance way. There are two destinies beyond the grave; by unbelief and neglect you will get the worst; by faith, obedience and preparation you find the best. "Prepare to meet thy God." Heb. 9:27.

## Chamberlain's Cough Remedy a Great Favorite.

The soothing and healing properties of this remedy, its pleasant taste and prompt and permanent cures have made it a great favorite with people everywhere. It is especially prized by mothers of small children for colds, croup and whooping cough, as it always affords quick relief, and as it contains no opium or other harmful drug, it may be given as confidently to a baby as to an adult. For sale by J. E. Hood, druggist.

## STATE NEWS.

Interesting North Carolina Items in Condensed Form.

The Agricultural and Mechanical College opens with 300 students. About fifty failed to pass the entrance examination.

The Bulletin shows that there are 261 cotton mills, 16 woolen mills and 3 silk mills in the State, making a total of 280 textile plants.

The Democrats nominated E. W. Poul for congress at Raleigh Friday morning at 1:40 o'clock, upon the 112th ballot, to succeed Hon. J. W. Atwater. There were six candidates for the nomination.

J. C. Buxton, of Forsyth county, was nominated for congress on the forty-ninth ballot by the Democrats of the Eighth district at 11 o'clock Thursday night at Charlotte, defeating eight candidates.

The large saw mill of Allen Bros. & Hill, located about four miles from Salisbury, was burned Wednesday night. About 100,000 feet of timber was also burned. Cause of the fire was accidental and there was no insurance. The loss was about \$2,000.

The First regiment of State guard will go into camp at Asheville or Charlotte, the selection being left to Col. Armfield. Gov. Russell has agreed that this encampment should be held. It is said at the adjutant general's office that it will be held within fifteen days, or as soon as the regiment can get ready.

Winston Sentinel: Mr. W. A. Bailey, of Advance, Davie county, has just finished threshing his 1900 wheat crop. The yield was 6,459 bushels, which places Mr. Bailey in the front as a wheat grower. He owns an automatic thresher, which cuts the bands, feeds itself, measures the wheat and stacks the straw.

Archie Kinsauls, who was to have been hanged at Clinton Friday, cut his throat Friday morning. The sheriff telegraphed this fact to Gov. Russell, saying, "Kinsauls has cut his throat seriously. Doctors think fatally. Wire instructions." The governor replied, "Execution Kinsauls postponed until next Friday. Reprieve by mail."

Walnut Cove, Stokes county, is greatly stirred up over a revolting crime committed there Tuesday evening on the three-year-old daughter of Mr. and Mrs. David Boyles, by James Rierson, aged 17 years, son of Mayor Sanders Rierson. The child is in a critical condition. The brutal boy has escaped but efforts are being made to apprehend the scoundrel.

Charles Berry, an expert sawyer and filer, was instantly killed at the Elm City Lumber company's mill at Newbern Thursday afternoon. Berry was sawing and left his lever unlocked and stepped on the truck in front of the carriage. The jar of the machinery threw the lever over and the long carriage, with its powerful steam feed, started down the track, catching the man and carrying him to the end of the mill, where he was terribly crushed between the heavy log-carriage and the bumper of heavy timbers. Berry was unmarried and came from Washington, N. C., where his parents live. He was a young man and was highly respected in the community.

Asheville Citizen: Only a few days ago Benj. M. Collins, keeper of the Swannanoa lodge on the Biltmore estate, while going about his work on the big farm discovered what at once struck him as being the longest snake he had ever seen, heard or read about. More than this, its color did not mate exactly. Mr. Collins knows snakes when he sees them, but in this instance he rubbed his eyes and looked again to be sure that he was making no mistake. The second look only confirmed him in his belief and he proceeded to make it hot for the snake. When the reptile had been dispatched Mr. Collins made a closer inspection, and was startled to find that what he supposed was one snake was really two. The reptiles, one a king snake and the other a black, had evidently engaged in a battle to the death. The king sprang at the black, which received it with open mouth, in which it landed fairly. The black was by luck given the upper hand, reversing the usual order of things in such battles, and began the task of swallowing its enemy. It had partially succeeded, when Mr. Collins appeared and put an end to the struggle. When killed the king snake's head was fitted in the black's mouth as tightly as a lady's hand in a new glove.

## The Best Prescription for Chills

and Fever is a bottle of GAY'S TARTARIC CHILL TONIC. It is simply iron and quinine in a tasteless form. No cure—no pay. Price, 25c.

## Lumber Trust Makes No Change in Prices.

Norfolk, Va., Sept. 6.—The North Carolina Pine association, controlling all the large lumber mills in eastern Virginia and North Carolina, met today. Lumber conditions were reported as more promising than a month ago, the stock on hand less and the output curtailed. The association resolved to make no changes in the present prices of lumber.

White's Black Lintment. It cures Sciatica, Rheumatism and Neuralgia. A 25c bottle for 15c. J. E. Hood