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GENERAL NEWS.

Matters of Interest Condensed Into Brief Paragraphs.

The report of the capture of 60 American soldiers in the Philippines is confirmed.

The census report of New Hampshire shows a population of 411,588, an increase of only 9.3 per cent over 1890.

Conductor Lattimore, of the Southern Railway, was shot fatally near Brunswick, Ga., Sunday evening by an unknown negro. The negro escaped.

President Eliot, of Harvard University, has finally made up his mind not to vote for McKinley. Dr. Barratt says Prof. Payne told him nearly all the University professors are going to vote for Bryan.

The twenty plants of the American Tin Plate company resumed operations Monday. The mills, which employ some 15,000 men, were closed for more than three months pending settlement of the wage scale.

Wm. J. McCauley, a young actor, was shot and killed in a cafe at Huntington, W. Va., by Peri Newman, the son of wealthy parents, Sunday morning. The murderer escaped. There was a woman in the case.

The O. D. Line steamship Hamilton, from Norfolk to New York, ran into and sank the Philadelphia schooner A. A. Shaw, near New York Sunday morning. The Hamilton rescued the crew of the Shaw and took them to New York.

Heretofore the measurement of the earth was estimated, but American scientists have actually measured it. They have been working on it for about thirty years and find that the diameter through the equator is 7,926 miles and through from pole to pole 7,899 miles.

The tornado which swept over the section around Biwabik, Minn., Saturday killed nine people, injuring many, and destroyed much property. It struck the north-western end of the town, leaving a trail 100 feet wide. Near Pike, Peak it swept a Finnish village, killing an entire family of six, the names not known. The engine-house of the D. M. and N. railroad was struck and the locomotives and cars smashed into scrap iron.

Seven thousand five hundred pounds of dynamite in the powder magazine at the Spruce Mine, about half a mile from Eveleth, Minn., blew up Sunday afternoon. A hole 100 feet square and 25 feet deep marks the spot where the magazine stood. The force of the explosion was so great that there is not a piece of glass over a foot square within a radius of two miles of the mine. Practically every window and mirror in Eveleth was broken. The loss in the town is estimated at \$30,000. The damage done to the Spruce Mine was about \$3,000, the mine laboratory and warehouse being totally wrecked. At least 200 people were more or less seriously hurt from being thrown down by the shock or hit by shattered glass.

Origin of "Dixie's Land."

The original song, "Dixie's Land," was composed in 1859 by Daniel Emmett as a "walk around" for Bryant's minstrels. Mr. Emmett frequently heard the performers in a circus make the remark, "I wish I was in Dixie" as soon as the northern climate began to be too severe for the tent life which they followed. This expression suggested the song "Dixie's Land." It made a hit at once in New York and was speedily carried to all parts of the Union by numerous bands of wandering minstrels. In the fall of 1860 Mrs. John Wood sang it in New Orleans in the burlesque of "Pocahontas," and before a week had passed the whole city had taken it up. A New Orleans publisher saw possibilities in the music and, without the authority of the composer, had the air harmonized and rearranged, issuing it with words embodying the strong southern feeling then existing in New Orleans.—Ladies' Home Journal.

Objection Sustained.

Among the curiosities of the law is the following, reported by the Rochester Post-Express: At a term of the circuit court in one of the up river counties not long ago a horse case was on trial, and a well known "horseman" was called as a witness. "Well, sir, you saw this horse?" said the defendant's counsel. "Yes, sir, I—"

Both Alike.

Client (angrily)—I say, this bill of yours is a downright robbery! Great Criminal Lawyer (who has won his client's case)—So was your crime.

To Cure a Cold in One Day

Take Laxative Balm. See advertisement elsewhere.

The National Committee.

In order to successfully contend against a political adversary, having at its command limitless funds provided by participants in its policies of public plunder, the Democratic National Committee realizes that it must rely upon the energetic organized efforts of the rank and file of the party. A plan has been devised, involving the selection of an active working Democrat in every voting precinct in the United States, appointed and commissioned as the special representative of the Democratic national committee in his precinct. This plan of organization has been in successful operation for several months and at this time the national committee has an accredited representative in more than half of the voting precincts of the United States.

Below will be found a list of precincts in this county in which the committee has no representatives. It is earnestly requested that some loyal Democrat in each of these precincts volunteer to act as such representative and address a letter signifying his willingness to J. G. Johnson, chairman Democratic executive committee, Chicago, Illinois. In volunteering your services be careful to state explicitly your post-office address and the official designation of your voting precinct, as well as your county and state.

Precincts without representatives in Lenoir county: Kinston No. 1, Kinston No. 2, Sand Hill, South West, Woodington, Neuse, Trent, Moseley Hall, Vance, Falling Creek.

Sweet Revenge.

"Now; I ain't working any more. I've lost me job," said the diminutive office boy when he was asked about it. "But I got even, betcher life! I heard the old man telling a feller that I was no good and that he was going to fire me at the end of the week. He said the only thing I could do was to sit on a stool and balance a ruler on the end of my nose."

"Well, when I heard the old man say that he was going to fire me, I just laid low to get even. And I did, betcher life! There was a book agent what had been pestering the life out of the old man, and he was expecting her to call again, so he made a sneak and told me to tell her when she called that he had gone west for good and wasn't coming back."

"Well, just then his wife telephoned him that she was coming down to the office to see him about something, and he told me to tell her when she came to take a seat and wait for him."

"Well, I saw my chance to get even. So when the book agent came in I told her that the old man had left word for her to wait for him. Then when his wife blew in, I told her that the old man had gone west and left word for her that she needn't expect to see him again."

"Geusalem! Maybe you think the sparks didn't fly then. I waited till the fireworks were over, then I wrote out me resignation, balanced the ruler on me nose for the last time and left."—Detroit Free Press.

In a Safe Place.

Among his trusted and efficient attaches in the office of the street railway headquarters is one Millikin. He also has a partnership interest in a north side grocery. After keeping cases on cars and their operators each day Mr. Millikin waits on customers at the grocery store. Saturday night is usually a busy one, and of course everything is done in a hurry. This probably accounts for a slight oversight of Mr. Millikin in filling an order for a little fat girl who came into the store as the kind hearted Millikin was about to close the doors.

"Mister Millikin, my mamma sent after a quarter's worth of mull-las-ah," said the child.

"All right, little girl. Let's have your bucket," said the genial clerk.

With this the little lady handed over a good sized tin bucket. Mr. Millikin disappeared among some barrels, and after considerable grinding he reappeared.

"There's a big measure, little girl. Do you think you can carry it?"

"Yes, sir," said the maiden as she started toward the door.

"Little girl, where's your money?" said Millikin as he followed up his customer.

"In the bucket, Mr. Millikin," naively replied the child.—Columbus Dispatch.

His Belief.

"Don't you get tired," said the talkative customer, "standing there hour by hour ironing one stiff bosomed shirt after the other?"

"No," answered the Chinese laundryman. "It rests me to think I don't have to wear them."—Washington Star.

The Best Prescription for Colic

See advertisement elsewhere.

THE NEWBERN FAIR.

Speed Program Issued. C. D. Bradham To Be Chief Marshal. Side Shows.

The special program of the 14th Fair and Race Meet of the Newbern Fair association has been issued.

The races will be two on Tuesday, and three on each day on Wednesday, Thursday and Friday. \$2,000 in purses, and \$1,000 for special races are offered, purses in running races \$100 to \$150, in trotting and pacing races, \$200 to \$250.

Secretary Green reports considerable inquiry from horsemen.

The Fair lithographs have arrived and their posting will begin this week.

Mr. C. D. Bradham has been appointed Chief Marshal by the Fair association, and has accepted.

Mr. Bradham will enter at once upon his duties, and under his management the social features of Fair Week are assured of success.

Reports from all sections in Eastern Carolina indicate great interest in the coming Fair, which means a large attendance.

Last week several attractive side shows were booked, and the exhibits promise to be the most representative of Eastern Carolina, as well as the largest number ever shown.

Black and Tan Against Simmons

The black and tan Radicals are working might and main to defeat F. M. Simmons in his race for the senatorship. This is a high tribute for the man who has done so much for Democracy in North Carolina.—Asheville Citizen.

It would be an everlasting shame if the black and tan crowd should succeed in their undertaking. But we believe the Democracy of North Carolina for whom Mr. Simmons has done so much will not prove an ally to their scheming purpose.

Price of Russia's Withdrawal.

Shanghai, Oct. 7.—The native press states that Li Hung Chang promises that China will cede Manchuria to Russia, provided the latter withdraws her troops and persuades the other powers to negotiate for peace.

A report, which, though unconfirmed, is still significant, announces that Huaitapu, the nephew of the empress who was dismissed by the emperor in 1898, succeeds Prince Tuan as taung li yamen, and is also appointed generalissimo in place of Yunglu.

Jealousy Among Monkeys.

When a monkey gives way to jealousy, it shows a degree of hatred for the animal that has innocently aroused its malice that makes it for the time a monster of cruelty.

On a ship returning from one of her tours in tropical lands was a monkey which became a great friend of the stewardess. One day she fed another monkey, a pretty, gentle creature. This trifling attention enraged the other monkey, which coaxed the little thing to its side and then, before the stewardess had time to realize that mischief was meant, took it by the neck and flung it overboard.

Of another monkey the same person tells that while preparing dinner for a grand party the wife was absent from the kitchen for a minute. No sooner had her back been turned than the monkey slipped a kitten of which it had always been jealous into the soup pot.

Why a Minister Gave Up Preaching.

A minister had his salary cut down \$100 a year or so ago (and this was in a western church) because his wife wore a handsomer gown than some of the prominent women in the congregation. The reason was given openly, and the matter found its way into public print. The fact that the wife's wealthy aunt was the donor seemed to be of no consequence, and the poor woman herself, irritated and mortified at the publicity given to her private affairs, succeeded in persuading her husband to withdraw from the ministry.—"A Minister's Wife" in Ladies' Home Journal.

The Has Been.

They met again in after years by chance at the door of a circus tent, the judge and the middle aged woman who had been Maud Muller.

"Great scott," muttered the judge to himself as he noted her sallow face, faded hair, stubby fingers with the marks of the washboard upon them and the group of slatternly children she was angrily trying to induce the ticket taker to pass in free, "what a lucky escape I had!"

"Merciful gracious," she mused inwardly, looking at his bald head, watery eyes, double chin and protuberant stomach, "and I once wanted to marry that man!"

They passed in, with their respective noses perceptibly elevated and were listening a few minutes later to the time honored jokes of the clown.—Chicago Tribune.

Origin of Cake Walk.

The cake walk proper had its origin among the French negroes of Louisiana more than a century ago, says the New Orleans Times-Democrat. There is little doubt that it is an offshoot of some of the old French country dances. It resembles several of them in form. From New Orleans it spread over the entire south and thence north. It was found of convenience to the plantation negroes. They were not wedded by license, and it was seldom that the services of a preacher were called in. At a cake walk a man might legitimately show his preference for a woman and thus publicly claim her for a wife.

In effect the cake walk was not different from the old Scotch marriage which required only public acknowledgment from the contracting parties. So this festival became in some sense a wooing, an acceptance or a rejection and a ceremony. This explains its popularity with the blacks outside of its beauties, with the accompaniment of music, which is competent at all times to command negro support.

Cake walking has improved, as do most things that are constantly practiced. It has lost its old significance in the south. Negroes now get married when they marry at all in the white folks' fashion. It has become, however, a pantomime dance. Properly performed, it is a beautiful one. The cake is not much of a prize, though the negro has a sweet tooth.

The Yaws.

On the west coast of Africa the natives call the raspberry a yaw. It happens that one of the pleasing diseases that come out from that quarter of the globe is characterized by dusky red spots that appear on the body and soon grow into ulcers about the size and looks of the raspberry. So this disease is called the yaws. It is contagious and downright disagreeable. White sailors bring it back with them to their own discomfort and the disgust of those at home. Yaws prevails also in the Fiji islands and in Samoa, but in these two places children mainly are attacked, and the natives regard the disease in the same light as civilized persons look at measles—almost a certainty to have and the sooner over with the better.

Not He.

"You have a good deal of assurance to come to me for charity," said the man of the house, "with your face all bunged up from fighting. You're nothing but a bruiser!"

"No, sir," replied the seedy vagrant, who was not wanting in spirit. "The other feller wuz the bruiser. I'm the bruisee."—Chicago Tribune.

Sure Enough.

A busy merchant who had not taken a vacation for years, in which time every other member of his family had enjoyed an annual outing, concluded to give himself a rest of a week or two and started for the mountains.

When about a day's journey from home, he received a telegram from his wife to this effect:

DEAR FRANK—Our house was entirely destroyed by fire last night. The children and I escaped unharméd. Come home at once. MABEL.

To this, after reflecting a moment, he replied as follows:

DEAR MABEL—What is the use of coming home when there is no home to come to? Take the children to mother's, stay there with them till I join you and don't worry. Affectionately, FRANK.

Youth's Companion.



If you want to keep your gray hair and have your friends and neighbors think you are twenty years older than you really are, you can. And if you want to have the old color restored and renewed you can. Either is easy—Ayer's Hair Vigor will restore color to gray hair.

J. C. AYER COMPANY, Lowell, Mass.

Ayer's Sore Throat Remedy, Ayer's Cherry Pudding, Ayer's Ointment.

STATE NEWS.

Interesting North Carolina Items in Condensed Form.

Davidson defeated Guilford playing football Saturday, 16 to 0.

Over 82,000 bales of cotton were shipped from Wilmington in two days last week.

The name of the New River Herald has been changed to Jones-Onslow Courier, and will be published at Belgrade, N. C.

Mr. Jake F. Newell, Populist and Republican nominee for house in Cabarrus, will vote for Bryan and Stevenson. He favors Simmons for senator.

Ex-Senator Jarvis says he believes the senatorial primary will prove helpful to the Democratic ticket; will bring out a full vote and save one or two close districts.

Rev. John C. Kilgo, of Trinity college, and Jos. G. Brown, of Raleigh, are appointed delegates to the Methodist Episcopal ecumenical conference at London next year.

Greenville Reflector: On last Saturday afternoon Mr. Ed. Harris and Miss Rosa Manning, both of Beaver Dam township, were married. The bride is only about 16 or 17 years old. It was a runaway marriage.

Newbern Journal: This month is the beginning of the city ownership of the water and sewerage systems, when these properties have to be managed by the present city administration, as a part of the municipal government.

Laurinburg Exchange: Last Monday morning Mr. Ed. Harris and Miss Rosa Manning, both of Beaver Dam township, were married. The bride is only about 16 or 17 years old. It was a runaway marriage.

It is reported that Archie Kinsauls, hanged at Clinton, was not dead, even after pronounced dead, after the second drop; that his body was carried ostensibly for burial, taken in charge by physicians, resuscitated and hurried to a hospital at Richmond, Va., and that Kinsauls is still alive.

The Shelby Aurora says that a \$100,000 cotton mill is to be built at Stice's Shoals. John F. Shenk and Joseph G. Morrison have bought from Dr. B. H. Morrison the magnificent shoals and water power, with 300 acres of land, for \$9,100 and hope to begin work on the mill by January 1st.

Sanford Express: "Maak" Dowdy, the champion hunter of this section tells the Express that he has killed some 1,800 wild turkeys since he first engaged in the sport. He has killed over 60 in one season. "Maak" thoroughly understands the nature and habits of the turkey and when he goes after the game he seldom ever fails to bag it.

In the summer of 1898, Mrs. A. G. Brenizer, of Charlotte, was seriously injured by the horse that pulled the carriage in which she was driving backing over a steep embankment. Mr. Brenizer and his son were also injured. A suit was brought against Henked, Craig and Co., liverymen and owners of the over-turned carriage for \$20,000. The case is now being tried in Mecklenburg superior court and excites great interest.

Oxford Ledger: We have a negro customs officer in the metropolis of the State; a negro congressman (and the only one in the present congress) to abuse and vilify the white people of his state; we have negroes employed in various places, and the negro postmasters put in office by McKinley have been a sore affliction and disgrace to both the State and national government by Hanna, of Hanna, and for Hannk. McKinley has seen fit to put them there against the protests of white manhood.

Abuse of Simmons.

Wilkesboro Chronicle. One of the most convincing arguments favoring Mr. Simmons for senator is the heinous abuse heaped upon him by the office-holding Republicans and bought up Populists. These classes have naught but vituperation for honest men, and their criticism of Mr. Simmons is a veritable mead of praise of which any honest man should be proud.

A Convention of Miners Called.

Hazleton, Oct. 8.—President Mitchell this morning issued a call for a convention to be held at Scranton Friday next. It is expected that the ten per cent offer will be accepted and the miners resume work on Monday next.

Fees of Charge.

Any adult suffering from a cold settled on the breast, bronchitis, throat or lung troubles of any nature, who will call at Temple-Marston Drug Co., will be presented with a sample bottle of Bosche's German Syrup, free of charge. Only one bottle given to one person, and none to children without order from parents.

No throat or lung remedy ever had such a sale as Bosche's German Syrup in all parts of the civilized world. Twenty years ago millions of bottles were given away, and your druggists will tell you its success was marvellous. It is really the only Throat and Lung Remedy generally endorsed by physicians. One 75 cent bottle will cure or prove its value. Sold by dealers in all civilized countries.