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GENERAL NEWS.

Matters of Interest Condensed into Brief Paragraphs.

Yellow fever is reported on the increase in Havana and is now in every section of the city.

Brooklyn beat Pittsburg playing ball Thursday, 6 to 1, making the best three out of five and winning the world's championship.

Thieves on Monday night stole about \$40,000 worth of money, registered letters, stamps, etc., from Station H. of New York city postoffice.

Former Gov. W. P. Dillingham was elected United States senator Thursday by the Vermont legislature. The choice was made on the third ballot.

The government estimates the reduction to the cotton crop by the Texas hurricane is 68,000 bales. On a basis of \$50 a bale, this equals a loss of \$3,400,000.

John Demlin, treasurer of the Galveston relief fund, gave out a statement Thursday night showing that the total contributions to date amounted to \$1,095,202.

Prince Hohenzollern has retired and Count Von Buelow has been appointed chancellor of the German empire. No crisis and no change in the policy of the government is probable.

The new Metropolitan underground railroad at Paris had its first disaster Friday morning. Two trains ran into each other and twenty-nine persons were injured, two fatally.

Commenting upon the Chinese emperor's message of thanks to President McKinley the Boerson Courier of Berlin says that this is "proof of the responsibility of the United States for Chinese stubbornness."

Erastus Warfield, a negro, was lynched at Elkton, Ky., by a mob who took him from the county jail where he had been placed for attempting to break into a farm house when the farmer's wife and little child were the only occupants.

Republicans say Hanná investigated the demands of the coal mine strikers and lured the operators to make the concessions demanded. Chairman Jones says the concessions are made through fear of effect of the strike on the election.

A dispatch from Washington, Oct. 19, says: Minister Conger and all other envoys at Pekin have been instructed to enter into negotiations with the Chinese commissioners, Prince Ching and Li Hung Chang. The first meeting will be held tomorrow.

The coal miners strike is not yet ended. There is a serious difference between the operators and miners. The operators insist that the reduction in the price of powder shall be counted as part of the increase in wages, while the strikers stand out for a net ten per cent. advance.

After suffering intense pain for two years from a broken jaw, which he received while on board the ill-fated battleship Maine, when she was blown up in Havana harbor in 1898, and also from internal injury, Nicholas Sealp, aged 47, on Friday morning ended his misery by sending a bullet crashing through his brain in a boarding house in Brooklyn.



"Well, I say that the very best of men don't know the difference between their souls and their stomachs, and they fancy that they are a-wrestling with their doubts when really it is their dinners they're a-wrestling with."

"Take my old man. A kinder husband never drew breath; yet so sure as he touches a bit of pork he begins to worry himself about the doctrine of Election, till I say, 'I'd be ashamed to go troubling the minister with my doubts when an Ayer's Pill would set things straight again.'"

J. C. AYER COMPANY,
Practical Chemists, Lowell, Mass.

Ayer's Sarsaparilla
Ayer's Hair Vigor
Ayer's Cherry Pectoral
Ayer's Eye Ointment

ABSENTMINDEDNESS.

Absurdities into Which Victims of the Habit Have Fallen.

When lapses of memory become habitual, the person is properly called absentminded. The Chicago Tribune relates the following absurdities into which some victims of this disease have fallen:

A bridegroom of 24 hours left his wife, strolled around to his mother-in-law's house and asked her if her daughter was at home. This came from force of habit. He had been calling there daily for some time, and it probably occurred to him that he had not paid his usual visit.

A Chicago bank president is unable to account for three-quarters of an hour of his life. He went into a restaurant as usual and ordered his lunch. Nearly an hour later he found himself in his office chair and suddenly remembered the order.

He went back across the street and asked if the luncheon was ready. The clerk informed him that he had eaten, paid the bill and gone away some 15 minutes before, that he had put his hat on as he went out and that he (the clerk) had not noticed anything peculiar in his actions.

The bank president congratulates himself that he can be trusted to behave like an ordinary mortal even when he doesn't happen to have his mind with him.

An editor of a daily paper has laid himself open to unkind remarks by trying to take up a collection in his office. Happening to want a small coin, he turned to his fellow worker and asked for a quarter.

"Haven't got it, but here's a dollar," the man replied as he tossed it over. The editor put the dollar in his pocket and immediately turned to a special writer at the next desk and said:

"Miss —, could you lend me a quarter?" Then, seeing the man from whom he had got the dollar grin, he added hastily: "Oh, never mind. I just got a dollar from Brown."

In analyzing his conduct he said that Brown's reply that he did not have a quarter was apparently the only part of the transaction that made any impression upon him. But he is under suspicion in that office and will probably never be able to live it down.

HOW ZULU WOMEN SEW.

They Use Skewers For Needles and Graffe Sinews For Thread.

The skill of the Zulus of South Africa in sewing fur is a household word in South Africa, and some of the other tribes compete with them. The needle employed is widely different from that used by the ordinary needlewomen. In the first place, it has no eye; in the second, it is like a skewer, pointed at one end and thick at the other.

The thread is not of cotton, but is made of the sinews of various animals, the best being made from the sinews of the neck of a giraffe. It is stiff, inelastic, with a great tendency to "kink" and tangle itself up with anything near it. Before being used it is steeped in hot water until it is quite soft and is then beaten between two smooth stones, which causes it to separate into filaments, which can thus be obtained of any length and thickness. Thus the seamstress has a considerable amount of labor before she commences with the real work in hand.

Finally she squats on the ground (for no native stands to work or do anything else who can possibly help it) and, taking her needle, bores two holes in the edges of the rug or garment on which she is working. The thread is then pushed through with the butt of the needle, drawn tight, and two more holes are made with a like result, the skewer progressing very slowly, but fast enough for a country where time is of no value whatever.

The skin upon which the seamstress is working is damped with water before she commences, and as the damp thread and hide dry out they bring the work very closely together.

His Sympathy.

An old housewife in the country was bemoaning her poverty to an unsympathetic husband.

"Things ain't as they used ter be," she complained. "Why, I ain't got anything like I used ter hev. I ain't got quilts enough ter go round the beds, there's two of the best chairs broken, an I ain't got no dress that's really fit ter go ter meetin, an if I was ter die to-night I wouldn't hev a cap ter be buried in."

The old man had stood the whining as long as he could.

"Blas't it all, then," he bitterly ejaculated, "why didn't yer die when yer did hev a cap?"

ADVERTISING THE FAIR.

The Atlantic Coast Line Fully Covered. Every Contiguous County Well Posted.

Newbern, N. C., Oct. 18.—Mr. W. C. Bell left yesterday on an extended trip over the Atlantic Coast Line in the interests of our next fair. He carried with him a most generous outlay of gorgeous lithographed posters and all sorts and kinds of hand bills and folders, which are calculated to awaken a more than passing interest in our next fair. Mr. Bell will take in, during the course of his itinerary, every town and hamlet from Weldon to Goldsboro, and, on his home journey, touch every point between Greenville and Kinston. Besides making these points, he will cast the magic of the next big fair over all those little villages and settlements in the neighborhood of Edenton and Plymouth. Mr. Zeb V. Barrington also left, after a big week's work in Beaufort and Pamlico counties, for other prolific fields—and none knows better where such fields lie hereabouts than Zeb V. Besides these two canvassers, there are other agencies at work. A tremendous quantity of advertising literature has been put in the hands of bill posters in all the larger cities in the State, and an almost innumerable number of smaller places. Raleigh, Wilmington, Charlotte, Wilson, Fayetteville, Elizabeth City and many other cities have been showered with printed matter setting forth the great fair in all its glory. Kinston has been smothered with fair posters, and a host of our neighbors may be looked for in November. Morehead City and Beaufort will be similarly treated, for it is a mark of endorsement much prized by the association that our neighboring cities are faithful to our fair every year. This year every one that comes will be more pleased than ever before, for the next fair is to eclipse its predecessors. That the largest attendance may be expected, no one doubts who is acquainted with the situation and cognizant of the enthusiasm throughout the State.

MIKADO'S ADVICE.

Tells China's Emperor the Best Way to Restore Peace With Powers.

Yokohama, Oct. 19.—The Mikado has sent a strong, common-sense reply to the Chinese emperor's entreaty that he use his influence to restore peace in China, and preserve the integrity of the empire. The Mikado replied that, if Kwang Han really desired peace, he should remove all the reactionaries in his government, and appoint liberal statesmen in their places, as well as organize a new government. The Mikado further advises the return of the court to Pekin, in order to calm the public mind, and afford proof of regret for the recent occurrences. The Mikado of Japan's letter is in reply to the emperor's appeal of Oct. 10th.

HAWAIIAN POLITICS.

The Registration for the Territory Reaches 11,891.

Honolulu, Oct. 19.—The registration for the territory is complete and reaches 11,891. Native Hawaiians completed their nominations in a convention Oct. 11th. The Democratic platform calls for liberal provisions for ex-Queen Lilioukani, and for the payment of all proven just claims for fire losses incurred in the effort to suppress the bubonic plague. Candidates for delegate to congress are: Samuel Parker, Republican; Prince David, Democrat, and Robert W. Wilcox, native Hawaiian.

It Doesn't.

W. E. Hearst, Editor of the Journal—Kindly answer the following through the columns of your paper: According to the constitution, how can the State of North Carolina disfranchise the negroes, as mentioned in Gov. Roosevelt's speech at Lexington, Neb., on Oct. 2, 1900?

W. A. F.

No. 25 Park Place, New York. North Carolina cannot and does not disfranchise the negroes. She disfranchises persons who cannot read and write, with certain exceptions, as Massachusetts, California, and other states do. Any negro who learns to read and write can vote in North Carolina.

Boxer General Suicides.

Shanghai, Oct. 19.—Following the demand of M. Pichon, the French minister to China, for the heads of certain Boxers, comes the news of the suicide of Gen. Kang Yi, one of those whose death was demanded. He was a Manchur, and next to Tuan, one of the most powerful personages in Pekin. He was an ardent supporter of the empress dowager, and intensely anti-foreign.

Boers Are Aggressive.

London, Oct. 19.—Lord Roberts reports from Pretoria under date of yesterday that a party of Boers got into Jagersfontein the night of the 16th and a fight ensued in the morning. Eleven British were killed. The Boers lost a commandant and 20 killed. Kelly-Kenny despatched a column under Haggis Hales which should reach Jagersfontein today.

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

THE CHURCHES.

Services will be held at the churches in Kinston tomorrow as follows, to which everybody is invited:

Presbyterian Church.

Preaching both morning and evening. No services tomorrow. Sunday school at 9:15 a. m.

Episcopal Church.

Services both morning and evening. Sunday school at 9:15 a. m. Services held in the grand jury room.

Christian Church.

Preaching both morning and evening Sunday school at 9:15 a. m.

Baptist Church.

Morning subject, "Jesus Only." Evening subject, "How Men are Saved." Sunday school at 9:30 a. m. B. Y. P. U. meets Monday evening.

The Chapel.

Sunday school at 9 a. m. Prayer meeting every Friday night.

Christian Science.

Services every Sunday morning at 11 o'clock in the opera house.

White Man's Government.

Wilmington Messenger, Nov. 10, 1898.

The Messenger congratulates the white men of North Carolina for the glorious victory recorded yesterday. The prediction made by us and published in the issue of the 5th, has been more than verified. At that time we would have been content with a fair working majority in each branch of the legislature but must now express our regrets at its failure to be a unanimous gathering of white men, elected to re-establish and enact laws for the perpetuation of a white man's government.

While the press of the State has yielded immense influence and power in the campaign to such a glorious finish the people owe much to the management of the campaign by Hon. F. M. Simmons, chairman of the executive committee, without whose aid and guidance the victory could not have been won.

The white people of the eastern part of the State, who have for years endured the galling yoke of negro domination, have much cause for thankfulness in the overthrow of the corrupt party now in power.

Monster Rallies.

Raleigh Post.

Our national committee has arranged for monster Democratic rallies in every voting precinct throughout the United States on Saturday, the 27th inst. Speakers of ability and prominence are being assigned, so that not a single community that constitutes a voting precinct will be omitted, and all over the Union, in every State, the friends of freedom will be addressed at the same time by loyal and patriotic Democrats.

It is a movement unique in conception, and no doubt will be magnificent in result. Just think of the people of every voting precinct in these 45 states in meeting at the same time, listening to the fervid appeals of patriotic citizens in behalf of good government and the continuance of the great and principles of freedom bequeathed to us by our forefathers. Let the day be made memorable; above all, let sturdy old North Carolina be among the foremost in its observance. Remember the day, October 27th.

A Smooth Swindle.

Kansas City Journal.

A prominent Barton county farmer was made the victim of a smooth, although by no means new, swindle recently, through which he was worked for \$375. Several weeks ago a man claiming to be a real estate dealer approached the farmer with a proposition for the purchase of his land. An offer of \$50 was paid down to bind the bargain, the "purchaser" giving a Carthage address on his departure. Some days afterward another farm seeker came along and offered \$65 an acre for the same land.

Of course the owner wanted to sell to the second man at the higher figure, although he had tied himself in a previous contract. So he wrote the "Carthage" dealer with reference to a cancellation of his contract and after some dickering succeeded in persuading the latter to accept \$400 in cash in lieu of the privilege of buying at the \$50 rate. Then he was ready for the \$65 man. But strangely enough he had disappeared, and so, it was shortly afterward discovered, had purchaser No. 1. Then the farmer began to appreciate that he had been swindled. He at once began a hot search for the artists who had separated him from his cash; but, of course, their apprehension, to say nothing of the recovery of any of the money, is well nigh hopeless.

The Best Prescription for Chills

and Fever is a bottle of Green's TASTEFUL CHILL Tonic. It is simply iron and quinine in a tasteless form. No cure—no pay. Price, 25

The Cotton Mill Strike.

Raleigh, Oct. 19.—The union strike or lockout in Alamance county cotton mills was quiet today. Some union men speak of withdrawing from the strike and resuming work. Other union members are making threats against them.

When you cannot sleep for coughing, it is hardly necessary that any one should tell you that you need a few doses of Chamberlain's Cough Remedy to allay the irritation of the throat, and make sleep possible. It is good. Try it. For sale by J. E. Hood.

STATE NEWS.

Interesting North Carolina Items in Condensed Form

The number of pensioners on the State pension roll is 6,072, an increase of 180 over last year. The amount of pensions for each class: First class, \$58; second class, \$43.50; third class, \$29; fourth class, \$14.50; widows, \$14.50.

Winston Journal: North Carolina manufactures more chewing and smoking tobacco than any other southern state—is the third in the United States. In the growth of tobacco she ranks second, Kentucky alone leading her. North Carolina is all right from the tobacco standpoint.

The 4-year-old daughter of Mr. and Mrs. J. M. Henderson, of Method, Wake county, was burned to death Thursday afternoon. The parents were away from home at the time and this little girl and two other children were playing cooking. They picked a fowl and then tried to cook it, when the child caught aflame and was soon enveloped in flames. Her body was badly burned, causing death that night.

Murphy Scout: Four of the prisoners in jail cut their way out some time Saturday night. Three of them were United States prisoners, and the other was Geo. Hartness convicted and sentenced to five years in the penitentiary, and an appeal was made to the supreme court. The jail is a one-story affair and there is nothing to hinder anyone from giving tools to those inside. Sheriff Martin is using every effort to apprehend the escaped prisoners.

Raleigh News-Observer: The assertion has been made that there is being made an effort to vote the cotton mill men of the State for McKinley. Mr. Latta, Mr. A. A. Thompson, Mr. J. S. Wynne and other men interested in the cotton mills of Raleigh, were asked if they had discovered any such effort. Each of them replied that if any such effort was being made, no evidence of it had come to them, and that they do not believe any such attempt is being made here.

Three prisoners broke jail at Fayetteville Tuesday night. Two negroes, both federal prisoners, escaped. Thomas Fort, charged with an attempted assault, returned and gave himself up, having broken a bone in his ankle in his flight. Fort's case has been complicated within the past few days, as Mrs. Driver, of Hope Mills, on whom it is alleged that he made the criminal assault, has passed away, her death, it is alleged, caused by the physical and mental shock of the fearful experience.

The coroner's jury in the Melver killing case at Sanford on Thursday found a verdict that Melver came to his death from a pistol in the hands of James P. Scott, and that both Jas. P. Scott and Ed Petty were responsible. It is directed that they be held to court, but recommended they be allowed bail. The tragedy took place last Monday. Melver had tied his horse on the sidewalk and objected angrily when told to move him away. Petty, the constable, remonstrated with him, and in the scarp that followed was severely cut. During the fracas Melver was shot by Jim Scott, a special policeman, and ran across the street and fell, dying in a few minutes. After he had fallen, Petty struck him several blows with a club. There is a great deal of excitement over the affair, and the friends of both parties are much aroused.

The corporation commission had a long session in Raleigh Thursday. It took up the general docket. It also looked after two or three special complaints. One of these was made by James Kyle, of the Wilmington Tariff association, in behalf of the cotton mills in that city and elsewhere in the State, particularly at Fayetteville and Laurinburg; and asked for a reduction of 20 per cent. in freight rates on cotton piece goods from the mills to points within the State, so as to bring the North Carolina rate to the same figure as the Georgia rate. Another special complaint was by the furniture manufacturers, who were strongly represented. They asked for a lower classification so as to secure a consequent lower freight rate. Both matters were postponed to Nov. 14th. The commission decided to amend circular No. 1, which is that of fertilizer rates, so as to reduce by about 25 per cent. the rate per ton on above 270 miles and up to 400. The rate for 270 miles is \$3.05 per ton. There is to be an increase of 5 cents per ton for each additional ten miles up to 400.

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 bottles free at Temple-Marston drug store. Sold by dealers in all civilized countries.