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ODD AND INTERESTING HAPPENINGS.

A Green Fireman Causes Wreck and Almost a Disaster.

Foiled With the Engine, Started it off and Could Not Stop It—Run Out of Steam and Stopped, then Run Down by Another Freight—Negro Murderer's Wife With Axe—North Carolina's Tobacco Prizes.

Greenboro, May 15.—There was a wreck at High Point this morning. A young fireman was left by the engineer of a freight engine and tender on a siding at Lexington at 2:30 last night. The fireman began toying with the engine as if it were a plaything, and presently set it going. It rushed on the main line at the rate of seventy miles an hour, passing Lexington in a cyclone of speed. The frightened fireman, instead of getting on the steps of the engine to jump, bolted through the window of the cab and the poor fellow fell as he bounced fully fifty feet from where he struck the ground. Strange to say he is not dead, but is terribly bruised and battered, and is still unconscious and is not expected to live. The flying engine was given the right of way and a clear track to Greenboro, but fortunately ran out of steam in three miles of Lexington. At four o'clock a freight engine and crew were sent to the point to get the runaway engine off of the main line onto a siding. While this crew was attending to this job another freight came dashing along and crashed into the rescuing engine, and the runaway engine and freight was then smashed up. No one was killed and the track was open for travel as soon as possible.

A Negro's Brutal Uxoricide.

Charlotte Observer: Lee Gabriel, colored, who drives a baggage wagon for J. W. Washworth's Sons, struck his wife, Pauline, three times with an axe yesterday afternoon, and she will die from the wounds. He says she nagged him, attacked him and he struck her in self defense. Colored people who live close to the house heard the sound of quarreling and then a struggle, heard the wild sobbing of a little negro girl. There was silence for a few minutes and then Gabriel came from the house with a valise in his hand and hurriedly walked away. After his departure the neighbors entered Gabriel's house and found Pauline lying behind the kitchen stove, covered with blood. Her 4-year-old child was lying half under her and between her body and the wall. Evidently she had toppled over on the child after having been stricken. An investigation showed that Pauline had been hit three times with an axe, which lay close to her body. With each blow the point of the axe penetrated the skull on the top of the head, and the woman's brains came out of each wound.

North Carolina's Name Leads all the Rest.

News and Observer: Secretary T. K. Bruner, of the department of agriculture, received yesterday a telegram from Mr. H. H. Brimley in Charleston, stating briefly the following welcome news: "North Carolina has taken three gold medals for tobacco out of a total of seven awarded the United States." This is a splendid showing for one state to make, but it is no surprise to those who have seen our exhibit at the exposition. Mr. Bruner also received yesterday the medals and diplomas awarded the department at the Paris exposition in 1900. There are four Grand Prix medals for the board of agriculture, and one each for Mr. H. H. Brimley and Mr. T. K. Bruner. The medals are of bronze and the gold ones may be ordered if desired. The diplomas are very handsomely engraved and contain suitable inscriptions. About 25 prizes in all were awarded to the state, but the majority went to individual growers in different parts of North Carolina.

Miniature Conductor on Miniature Train

Greenboro Telegram: Mr. A. E. Bean of Star, who is 21 years old and weighs only a little over 50 pounds, attracted considerable attention at the depot today. He was on his way to Winston to act as conductor on a miniature train that is an attraction at Niemi Park this season. Mr. Bean is a man of intelligence, which he shows both by his countenance and his conversation.

Mrs. Durham Cured.

DEAR SIR:—I am a great sufferer from nervous headache, and find in Caraway's Compound the only relief. Also when feeling nervous and all broken up, a dose sets me all right. I take pleasure in recommending it as a thoroughly satisfactory remedy. Sincerely, Mrs. COLLETTA DURHAM.

School Exercises Tonight.

President Charles D. McIver, of the Normal and Industrial college, Greenboro, telegraphed Prof. L. C. Brogden today that he would not be here tonight to deliver the annual address at the closing exercises of the graded school on account of sickness. The exercises will take place in the opera house tonight. Everybody invited.

Influence of Food.

"What do you think of the theory that food has a potent influence in determining character?" asked Mr. Smithfield as he put three lumps of sugar in his coffee. "I guess it's all right," replied Mr. Wood as he severed a portion of his beefsteak. "It always seems a little cannibalistic to me when you order lobster." "Well," retorted Mr. Smithfield good humoredly, "I ought to have known it was dangerous to lend you money after I discovered your fondness for beefs. But, seriously, if there were anything in the theory, wouldn't it make a man sheepish to eat mutton?" "It would, and prizefighters ought to restrict themselves to a diet of scraps." —Pittsburg Gazette.

A SMALL BUDGET OF FRESH NEWS ITEMS FROM WASHINGTON AND ELSEWHERE

Bailey Appointed Postmaster of Raleigh, Mullen of Charlotte Held Up.

House Plunges into Exciting Debate on Philippines—Republicans Preparing New Cuban Reciprocity Bill—St. Vincent Mountains Threaten Further Disaster—Palma Officially Notified of Election.

Washington, D. C., May 15.—The president today sent to the Senate the name of Christopher T. Bailey as appointee to the Raleigh postmastership. Senator Simmons called upon the president today and discussed Mullen's appointment as postmaster at Charlotte. It is understood that it is probable no action will be taken upon Mullen's confirmation during this session, and that his term will therefore expire with the adjournment of Congress. In the meantime, the president, it is understood, will make an

original appointment. It is understood that Senator Pritchard will insist on Mullen's immediate confirmation. House Takes Up Philippine Matter. Washington, D. C., May 15.—The House today was plunged into an exciting debate on Philippine affairs. Thus far the subject of alleged atrocities in the islands has engaged the attention of the Senate alone and only occasional echoes have been heard in the House. But today the reports of cruelty and outrage were rehearsed in the House with the same vehemence and bitterness that has at times characterized the discussion in the Senate. The naval bill was the order of the day but it received only scant attention after the allegations of Philippine outrages were presented. New Cuban Reciprocity Bill. Washington, May 15.—A meeting of the Republican members of the Senate committee on relations with Cuba will be held within a few days, as soon as Senator McMillan returns from Michigan, and a Cuban reciprocity tariff bill, to the passage of which the Republican Senators as a body will be committed in advance, will be framed. More Eruptions Expected. St. Thomas, D. W. I., May 15.—Advices from St. Vincent show that it is impossible to get nearer than eight miles to the new crater that has appeared in the volcano on the island of St. Vincent. The old crater was filled by a beautiful lake but this has disappeared, having either sunk into the bowels of the mountain or been blown in the shape of steam and scalding water over the surrounding country. The fissures that have appeared on the sides of the volcano continue to throw out hot vapor. Subterranean noises are heard miles from the mountain and the trembling of the earth indicates the possibility of further discharges. Palma Declared Elected President. Havana, May 15.—The Senate and House of representatives met in joint session today and examined the credentials of the members of the presidential and senatorial colleges. The credentials were proclaimed correct and it was formally announced that Senor Palma has been elected president and Senor Esteves vice president. Governor General Wood was formally notified of this effect and a committee was appointed to notify Senors Palma and Esteves. Five Hotel Guests Burned. Point Pleasant, W. Va., May 15.—Five persons perished in the burning of the America hotel here last night and three others were seriously injured. Two residences also burned and the total loss amounts to \$30,000.



CORONATION OF KING ALFONSO XIII OF SPAIN. The boy king of Spain, 16 years of age on his coronation day, May 17, comes into his heritage a shattered kingdom. He is a weak youth, who has been kept close to his mother's side. America is represented at the coronation by a special envoy, Dr. James H. M. Curry.

POSTPONED

The Chamber of Commerce meeting is postponed until Monday evening owing to closing exercises of the public school being held in the opera house this evening.

MR. GREEN HARPER DEAD

Passes Away After Four Weeks' Illness At His Home in Kinston. Mr. William Green Harper died this morning at 5 o'clock at his home at 400 Queen street after an illness of about four weeks. The direct cause of death was due to some stomach trouble, though his health had been gradually giving away for the past two years, keeping him very feeble and unable to attend to business. He was one of the oldest inhabitants of Kinston, being in his 79th year. He had been a resident here since 1867—35 years—and had been in the lively business most of that time at the present stand. He was originally from Greens county. Mr. Harper had been twice married—the first time to Miss Louisa Suggs, of Greens county. There were two children by this marriage—both dead. His second marriage was to Miss Mollie Oast, of Kinston, which occurred June 6, 1872. She and six children survive him. They are Mr. F. T. Harper, the eldest, of Kinston; Mrs. W. G. Walston, of Greens county; Misses Daisy, Rosa, Lissel and Will L., of Kinston. The remains will be buried in the cemetery here tomorrow afternoon at 3 o'clock. Dr. H. D. Harper, sr., will conduct the funeral services.

BULAH

May 14. Some of the farmers have finished setting tobacco. Mr. Eugene Brown and sister, Miss Rachel, spent Saturday night and Sunday at Mr. J. M. Aldridge's. Mrs. Sarah Sutton has returned home from visiting at Mr. W. I. Herring's. The fish stew at Brown's Landing, near Cold Spring, was a great success. Mr. Ralph Johnston, of Grangers, visited at Mr. J. F. Brown's Saturday night and Sunday. Mrs. Julia White, of Institute, is visiting at Mr. Frank Rouse's. Mr. and Mrs. J. P. Hardee and Miss Belle Moseley spent Saturday night and Sunday at Louisa Swamp. We farmers are needing rain very bad through this section. Mr. C. L. Hollowell spent Sunday at Institute.

AIRY GROVE

May 14. Preaching here Sunday. Hall was plentiful here Sunday. Mr. and Mrs. Lamb Taylor spent Sunday over the river. Mr. Tave Moseley and Miss Ruth Harper, of Kinston, spent Sunday at Mr. W. O. Moseley's. Mr. and Mrs. James Hardee and sister, Miss Belle Moseley, of near Kinston, and Mr. and Mrs. L. A. Moseley, of Greens county, spent Sunday at Mr. J. W. Moseley's. Misses Orie and Isabel Moseley will leave for Wilson Saturday. Mrs. Betsey Taylor, who has been visiting up the country, returned home Saturday. Miss Belle Fields, who has been spending some time at Falling Creek, returned home Sunday.

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Your Business. We solicit your patronage and your help. We think we can help each land and house owner in Kinston more than each will help us. We solicit your aid, countenance and patronage in every line above mentioned, and think we can demonstrate the fact that it will pay you to employ our services.

Illustration of a boat with people and a shark. Text: IN A COMICAL BOAT THREE OLD CARAWAY MEN WENT AND THEY FOUND NOW NO WOMEN WELL SEA, BUT A FERVID BERRY JACK IN A JEAN IN A BOAT AND THE WHELED THAT JACK FOGGIES SHOULD BEA.

BASEBALL

STATE LEAGUE. Charlotte 2, Raleigh 0; Greensboro 2, New Bern 2; Durham 5, Wilmington 1. Games today: Raleigh at Charlotte, New Bern at Greensboro, Wilmington at Durham. Relative standing of the clubs to-day: Won. Lost. P. C. Raleigh..... 8 2 .800 Charlotte..... 6 3 .667 Greensboro..... 5 5 .500 Durham..... 5 5 .500 New Bern..... 4 8 .400 Wilmington..... 1 8 .111

NATIONAL LEAGUE

Pittsburg 5, Boston 1; Chicago 6, Brooklyn 7.

AMERICAN LEAGUE

Washington 2, Baltimore 0; Philadelphia 2, Boston 0.

NEW AND OLD FRESHLY TOLD

Variety of short stories Colled at the National Capitol.

Since President Roosevelt has resumed the public receptions the White House has been crowded daily with visitors. Until the time of the Spanish-American war it was the custom for the president to receive the public at a stated hour each day. When the war came on and the press of public business became so great that President McKinley scarcely had time to sleep, he discontinued these receptions, and they have not been resumed until recently. Now each day Mr. Roosevelt makes his way to the gorgeous east room, where he meets all visitors. Frequently he will shake hands with 600 or 700 persons in a day. These receptions give an excellent opportunity for an extended study of the president at close range. The other day the principal of a New York private school led about twenty of his pupils into the east room. "Stand them in a row," ordered the president as soon as he saw the teacher and his charges. This was done, and Mr. Roosevelt passed down the row, grasping one boy's hand with his right and that of the next boy with his left hand, exactly as does the dancer of a quadrille in the grand right and left. After he had greeted each boy in this way he faced the line. The young visitors looked expectant. "Do all of you boys belong to a baseball nine?" asked the president. Twenty mouths were stretched from ear to ear, and twenty heads ducked in assent. "That's good," said the president, and he turned on his heel without giving his youthful visitors a word about patriotism or the glorious country in which they were privileged to live.

The Professor's Pleasant Hour. As Professor Willis Moore, chief of the United States weather bureau, was coming from Chicago recently he engaged in conversation with a party of passengers in the smoking compartment of a sleeper. Among the things discussed were the weather prognosticators. Professor Moore heard his bureau severely criticised. One man said the weather bureau men didn't know a thing about what would happen; another asserted that it was all guesswork, and so on. Professor Moore began to wonder why Uncle Sam was paying him a salary. As the train neared Washington all except Professor Moore disclosed the nature of their business. Just as the professor was leaving the car one of his traveling companions said: "See here, you have not told us what business you are in." Professor Moore fished out a card and handed it to the inquirer, who read: "Willis Moore, chief United States weather bureau."

Poor Fellows in Distress. Every time a congressman arises in the house nowadays and asks for an indefinite leave of absence because of "important business" significant smiles are exchanged among the members who have their nominations nulled down and clinched. At this season of the year when the congressional conventions are being held "important business" almost invariably means the congressman who has it also has trouble in his district which is sufficiently serious to make his presence on the ground imperative. "Another poor fellow in distress," whispers Clerk McKee to the speaker, and the latter gives a good luck to you affirmative nod to the petitioning member, who goes away happy.

Mr. Cochran Will Expel. If there are any Irishmen in the district of Representative Cochran of Missouri, he will have to do something if he seeks re-election. The other day he was telling the house how the Chinamen in New York city live. "You go into an underground apartment," he said. "All around the room are shelves divided into little compartments. For a moment you think you are in a library. Now, in every one of those little places an Irishman sleeps." The roar of laughter that interrupted Mr. Cochran informed him that he had made some kind of a break, and he quickly substituted "Chinaman" for "Irishman."

James Will Be Elected. Senator James K. Jones of Arkansas will be elected greatly in Washington. He served two terms in congress before he took his seat in the senate in 1885. He is tall, dignified and of commanding presence, and his dress as well as his every motion betrays to mind the type of southern gentleman that is fast disappearing. Strange as it may seem, because of his intense patriotism, he has as many friends among the Republican senators as among the Democrats. CARL SCHOFIELD.