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ODD AND INTERESTING HAPPENINGS.

A Million Dollar Cotton Factory to Be Erected at Greensboro.

Bankers' Association Adjourns—A Murderous Attack—Felt Shock of Eruption—Attempts Suicide With Pistol and Poison—W. L. Humphrey, Freight Agent for A. & N. C. R. R. at Goldsboro Resigns. Moses and Oscar Coons, of Greensboro, large mill and real estate owners, announce their purchase of sixteen hundred acres of land adjoining Greensboro, for the erection of another cotton factory and mill village within a year. The mill will make blue denim and will be the largest plant of the kind on earth, with thirty thousand spindles, three thousand looms, and employing three thousand operatives. Power will be supplied by a twenty-five hundred horse power engine. The Coons are the principal stockholders and the company has figured out that the building and equipment of the plant will cost one and a quarter million dollars.

Pistol and Poison. In a fit of blues Wednesday night, a prominent young man of Charlotte, Thomas Marvin Brookshire, took laudanum and shot himself in the right breast. He said he was tired of life. He had just phoned good bye to his mother before he shot himself. He is a book-keeper for Long Brothers, and was shut up in the office about 11 o'clock when he attempted suicide. He is partner in a commission firm and had lost some business lately, but the cause of his action is a mystery. He shot too high and will recover, but told the physicians it was no use to save him as he would try again. People outside heard the muffled shot and rushed in.

Mr. Humphrey Resigns. Mr. W. L. Humphrey, who for ten years has been actively associated with the freight office of the A. & N. C. railroad in Goldsboro, and for the past six years has been freight agent for that road there, has resigned his position to take effect July 1, and will engage in the general commission brokerage business. Mr. Humphrey has made a splendid agent. He will be succeeded by Mr. J. J. Broadhurst, who has filled the position of assistant agent with the above road for several years, and in whom the public and the road officials will find a worthy successor to Mr. Humphrey.

A Murderous Attack. Charlotte News: Gamswell Carson, colored, was arraigned Monday for a murderous attack on John Zigler, a white carpenter of this city, who lives at 905 North Tryon street. Mr. Zigler was going home Saturday night about 9:30 and was near the railroad overhead bridge on North Tryon street when somebody suddenly sprang out from the darkness and began slashing away at Mr. Zigler. The assailant inflicted a gash about six inches long in the breast of Mr. Zigler and a terrible cut just above the wrist of the left arm. The latter cut severed the flesh almost entirely about the bone.

Felt the Shock of the Eruption. The schooner Cors arrived in Washington Wednesday evening from the West Indies. "We were four hundred and sixty miles from Martinique when the hardest eruption took place," said Capt. Thomas, "but there was a heavy shock on board ship and a noticeable rising of the water for miles around."

St. John's Day at Oxford. St. John's day this year—June 24th—at Oxford, will be the most notable celebration for many years. The oration this year will be delivered by "the grand old man," General M. W. Ransom. The committee will also meet to determine the location of the Masonic temple.

Bankers' Association Adjourns. The Inter-State Bankers' association has adjourned to meet next year in Asheville. Resolutions were adopted bearing in on the Fowler bill and officers were elected for the State association.

Burglar's Break into the Swannanoa. A burglar's break into the Swannanoa Ice company's safe in Asheville Wednesday night, blowing a 2,000 pound safe to pieces and securing about \$50. Bloodhounds are on the trail.

THE PROPOSED HOSPITAL.

The Kinston Lodge Knights of Pythias Adopts Resolutions.

The hospital question is being very favorably discussed by the people of Kinston and this section and money for that purpose is being subscribed. The prospects for a hospital are bright.

The Kinston Lodge No. 66, Knights of Pythias, at their meeting last night adopted the following resolutions:

Whereas, the establishment of a hospital is being agitated for the town of Kinston.

And whereas, the members of the order Knights of Pythias by their well known practice of the principles of fraternity are always ready to help the suffering to alleviate the distressed and to do all in their power for the benefit of human kind;

Resolved, that the members of Kinston Lodge No. 66 do hereby unanimously endorse the project and pledge themselves to give it their moral, and so far as may be possible, their financial support.

Resolved, that a copy of the resolutions be furnished the "Kinston Free Press" with a request to publish same.

Respectfully submitted, H. H. Wilson, E. D. Brown, L. J. Mawborne.

The Oxyx and Nightmares.

The oxyx, so named on account of its resemblance to the finger nails, could scarcely have been a nice stone to wear, for, according to medieval superstition, it rendered one particularly susceptible to annoyance from nightmares and demons.

SENATE VOTES FOR PANAMA CANAL

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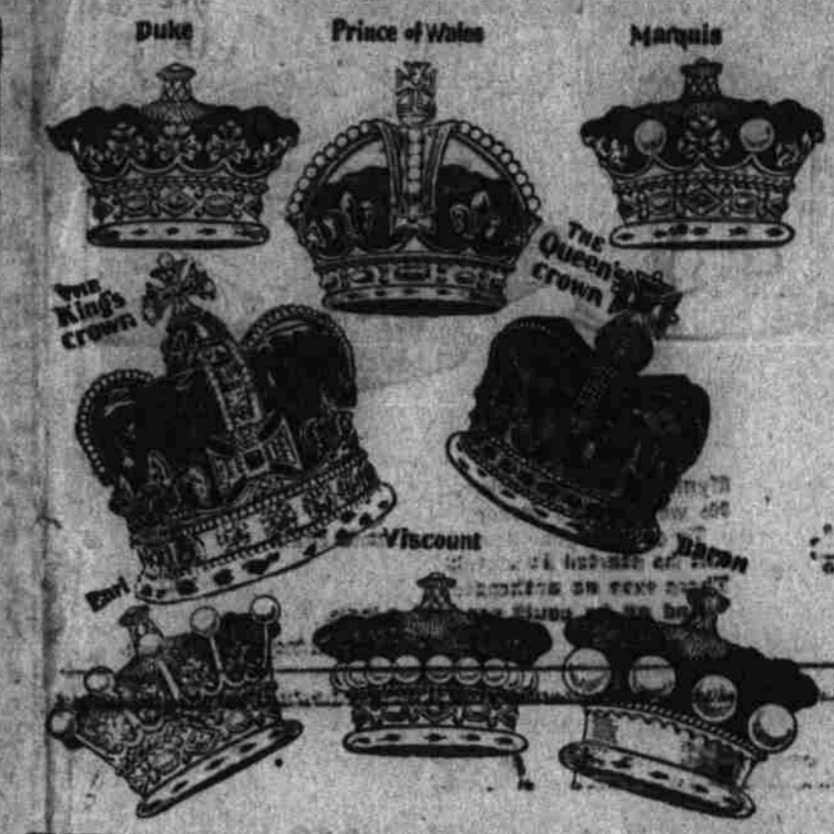
Hearer to Construction Now Than it Has Ever Been.

It Had Been Evident for Several Days that Spooner Substitute Would Command the Votes of a Majority of the Senate—Only Question Open is the Title to Property.

Washington, June 19.—An Isthmian canal, while not yet a "solutely assured," is nearer to construction than it ever has been.

It has been evident for several days that the Spooner substitute would command the votes of a majority of the Senate. The Panama route was considered more desirable by the Senate than the Nicaragua route. The only question left open is the title to the property and that the president will determine, if the House shall adopt the Senate amendments to the bill.

Mr. Morgan of Alabama closed today's debate with an earnest appeal for the adoption of the Nicaragua route. He had been preceded by Mr. Clark of Montana in support of the Nicaragua route, and Mr. Allison of Iowa in support of the Spooner proposition. Only minor amendments, except those indicated,



CROWNS AND CORONETS TO BE WORN AT ENGLAND'S GREAT EVENT.

To the layman there is little significance in the variations of the crowns and coronets of the British peerage, but to the trained eye every crook and twist and bauble means something. As the Duke of Norfolk, the "stage manager" of the coronation, has insisted that every detail of every minute tradition that it has been possible to make up shall be rigidly adhered to, illustrations showing just what this worthy considers the correct things in coronets should have been adopted, all others being voted down.

Mr. Bacon, (Ga.) offered to the Senate a substitute amendment providing for the appointment of an Isthmian canal commission to direct the construction of the canal and providing that seven members of the commission shall receive such compensation as the president shall prescribe until it is otherwise fixed by the Congress. Mr. Spooner accepted the amendment and it was agreed to 52 to 22.

Mr. Mallory, (Fla.) offered an amendment to the Spooner amendment, providing that if the president could not within six months get a clear title to the Panama company's rights and concessions he should proceed with the Nicaragua canal. Mr. Spooner moved to lay the amendment on the table and the motion was agreed to 44 to 31.

A like amendment offered by Mr. Mallory limiting the time of the president's decision as to the Panama route to 12 months was rejected, 35 to 29. Mr. Mitchell offered an amendment to the Spooner substitute providing that even though the president is satisfied he can obtain a clear title to the Panama Canal company's property, if he shall be convinced for any reason that it is not for the best interests of the United States to purchase the Panama property or if he shall think the canal ought to be constructed by the Nicaragua route he shall proceed to the construction of the canal by the Nicaragua route.

Mr. Spooner's motion to lay the amendment on the table was agreed to, 43 to 31. BASEBALL. STATE LEAGUE. Charlotte 3, Raleigh 1; New Bern 5, Greensboro 3; Durham 7, Wilmington 3. Relative standing of the clubs today: Won. Lost. P. C. Charlotte.....23 6 .846 Raleigh.....22 18 .550 New Bern.....18 19 .525 Greensboro.....18 22 .450 Durham.....18 22 .450 Wilmington.....7 32 .179 Games today: Raleigh at Charlotte; New Bern at Greensboro; Wilmington at Durham.

A Glass Cement. A simple yet strong cement may be made to use in mending glass and earthenware by diluting the white of an egg in its bulk of water. Beat up thoroughly, then bring to the consistency of thin paste with powdered quicklime. It must be used immediately or it will lose its virtue.

Cricket Bowling. A fast cricket bowler ordinarily delivers a ball at a pace of a little over eighty feet a second, or about sixty miles an hour.

Fat For Frying. If, when you are frying fish or croquettes, the fat begins to froth, the temperature is too low. Finish cooking what you have in the pan, but before cooking any more reheat the fat until a blue smoke rises from it.

Clear Ashes. If you saved the ash of all the cigars you smoked, you would have consumed 1,000 before you had a pound of ash.

A Cooking Hint. Salt pork is an excellent substitute for butter in sautéing almost any sort of food where butter might be used. Don't forget, too, that a few drops of olive oil for delicate frying is far better than butter at any price.

Flies and Caterpillars. Some flies thrust their eggs into the bodies of caterpillars, but always in such parts of the body that when the larvae are feeding on the flesh of the foster parent they will not eat into any vital part.

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FIND TWO TURKIES AND A DOG.

NEW AND OLD FRESHLY TOLD

Items of Interest for Male and Female

PLAYS AND PLAYERS.

William T. Keogh is writing a new play to be called "The Kentucky Feud."

Augustus Thomas' "The Love of a Milliner" has been secured by Kirke La Shelle.

Sadie Connolly has been re-engaged to play Mrs. Crowley in "Quincy Adams Sawyer."

John McVeigh, comedian, will play the part of Hube Roy in "Foxy Grandpa" next season.

John Drew will pass his vacation at Easthampton, N. Y. The other Drews, big and little, will be with him.

The Klaw & Erlanger Amusement company has been incorporated at Albany with a capital of \$150,000.

The new musical comedy in which Jerome Sykes is to appear next season is entitled "The Money Burner."

The gross receipts of "The Sleeping Beauty and the Beast," which has just concluded its phenomenal season, were \$501,000.

If present negotiations go through, "King Dodo" will be presented in London next fall. A separate company will be selected.

Welle Lynch has been re-engaged to play the principal soubrette in the English musical comedy, "San Toy," managed by Edwin Price.

SHORT STORIES.

Route county, Colo., is 139 miles long and 75 miles wide, an empire in itself.

More than half a million visitors passed through the gates at New York's zoological park in 1901.

In many parts of South America the natives catch and kill butterflies for entomologists by means of the blow-pipe.

Butte, Mont., is famed through the northwest from the fact that it has but a single tree. More are to be set out and cultivated.

Comparatively few persons will see the head of Martha Washington on the postage stamps. It goes on the eight cent denomination.

Mount Etna is found by Professor Ricco to have been lowered sixty-five feet on the south since 1808 and twice as much on the north. The top is supposed to have been slowly blown away by the wind.

One of the "Peculiar People" in Holland recently broke his arm. He declined to call in a doctor and wrapped a leaf out of a Bible round the small toe of his left foot. He declares that this gave him instant relief. He still walks about with a broken arm.

A RAMBLE IN RUSSIA.

No Russian officer may marry until he is twenty-three.

In Russia factories are usually near forests, wood being still the chief fuel. Ninety per cent of the 128,000,000 people of the Russian empire are farmers.

Vladivostok possesses the only crematorium that has been erected in the whole Russian empire.

The Russian government has ordered private maritime companies to discharge all foreigners who refuse to become Russian subjects.

Two classes of the population of St. Petersburg are specially addicted to eating horse meat. The Tartars because they like it, the students because it is cheap.

Moscow a money lender, the owner of several houses and stables, was sentenced recently to four months' imprisonment for lending money at the enormous rate of 182 per cent.

To attract patrons and induce them to stay late a restaurant keeper in Warsaw keeps a motor car in which his customers are driven home free of charge between the hours of 10 p. m. and 2 a. m.

FLY CATCHES.

A "homing pigeon" is the title Shekard received in St. Louis.

De Wolf Hopper, the comedian, has become a great Pirate roofer.

Pitcher Eustace Newton is a full fledged M. D. and a fine fellow.

George Smith has played twenty-three straight games without an error. Pat Carney and DeMontreville are doing the best base running for the Boston Nationals.

Neither Roy Clark nor Christy Mathewson of the New York contingent plays Sunday ball. The rumor that Hillbrand, Princeton's former star pitcher, will play professional ball this year is once more in operation. "Nothing in it," said Hillbrand the other day. Charley Farrell of Hamilton's superbase is being gazed very frequently on account of his bulk. The duke can't get in baseball much longer unless he adapts strenuous training methods.