

OLD NORTH STATE NEWS AND GOSSIP

ODD AND INTERESTING HAPPENINGS.

Raleigh Correspondent New Bern Journal: The Independents in Wake county, now composed of a dozen or two of Democrats, the others being ex-Republicans and Populists, will let the Republicans fill in the gaps in the ticket they put up. Chairman Simmons says it is very natural that the Republicans and Populists, who now compose the bulk of the Independents should do this filling in. The Independents will also endorse At-warter. A Republican says that he thinks this very natural as Atwater was the great promoter of this independent movement. It is believed that the Republicans of a party will endorse Atwater.

The corporation commission Monday took up an interesting case. Two or three months ago as a passenger train on the Seaboard Air Line was leaving Raleigh, north bound, it was met by a lumber car, which was loose and coming this way. The engineer was instantly killed, and his engine derailed and wrecked. The railway officials say several cars had broken loose from the yards, that an engine was sent after them, but that one went so far it was not found and that it was this one which did the fatal work. There are a number of witnesses before the commission.

In the case of H. F. Seawell against the Seaboard Air Line railway a verdict was rendered Friday, Seawell being awarded \$4,500. Seawell is now a Republican candidate for judge. While he was Populist nominee for Lieutenant Governor he was pelted with stone eggs at the station in Shelby. He claims that he should have been protected by the railroad, but charges that instead of this the depot agent was among his assailants. He asked for \$20,000.

Raleigh correspondent to Wilmington Messenger: The verdict of the Moore county jury in awarding H. P. Seawell \$4,500 damages against the Seaboard Air Line because some employees of the latter threw eggs at him at the depot in Shelby occasioned some surprise here. The railway will take the case to the Supreme court.

An arm of a young white man, John Richardson, was torn off by a cotton gin near Raleigh and he died Saturday evening in a hospital in that city.

TRENTON.

September 23.

Messrs. T. D. Warren, F. P. Koonce and Dan Dixon attended the speaking at Kinston yesterday.

Mrs. J. B. Koonce left last week for her home at Raleigh.

Miss Annie Trotter of Mayaville, visited relatives here Sunday.

Mr. Barbour of Swansboro is visiting his sister, Mrs. E. E. Windley.

Miss Lona Ward of Olivers is visiting her sister, Mrs. H. B. Parker.

Miss Birdie Koonce left Saturday to attend the Rhodes school at Kinston.

Messrs. Murray Whitaker and J. B. Barker left last week for Trinity college.

Mr. Geo. Taylor, who returned from the D.-K. school at LaGrange, left yesterday morning for Winterville High school.

Mr. Fred Spencer will leave today for Kinston.

The many friends of Miss Lola Scott, visiting at C. C. Perry's will be glad to know that she is now up from her long spell of typhoid fever.

Prof. W. H. Hammond opened school yesterday in the school house at the cemetery. Mr. Hammond taught for several years at the high school under the management of Prof. W. H. Rhodes, and was liked very much by all. It is hoped that he will have much success.

The Methodist Sunday school of Trenton appointed Miss Rena Haywood as delegate to attend the Sunday school convention at Morehead City, beginning the 25th inst.

Rev. D. C. Geddie began a protracted meeting Sunday at Cypress Creek church.

Hon. E. C. Beddingfield will speak upon the issues of the day at the court house Monday, Sept. 29th. This is the same day the Independents meet.

The cotton market has opened and is as usual paying higher prices than neighboring markets. It has brought as high as 57 cents in the last week, going steady at 55.50 to 55.55.

Owes His Life to a Neighbor's Kindness. Mr. D. P. Daugherty, well known throughout Meck and Sumner counties, W. Va., was lately overcome by the kindness of a neighbor. He was almost hopelessly afflicted with diarrhoea; was attended by two physicians who gave him little, if any, relief, when a neighbor learning of his serious condition, brought him a bottle of Chamberlain's Colic, Cholera and Diarrhoea Remedy, which cured him in less than twenty-four hours. For sale by J. E. Hood.

MONT PELEE'S LAST ERUPTION.

It Caused the Death of 2,000 People—Natives Took to Wood of Food Supplies.

New York, Sept. 21.—The Quebec Steamship Company's steamer Corasco arrived today from the West Indies. Among her passengers was Captain Walker McKay, agent for the steamship company in the West Indies. Captain McKay said:

"I was at Port-de-France, Martinique, August 30, the day of the most recent eruption of Mont Pelee. The explosion was terrific and the rumblings and detonations were continuous for a long time. This eruption, it is estimated, caused the death of 2,000 people and covered an extent of territory ten times greater than did the eruption of May last. This time the track of the disaster was beyond the mountain ridge and spread out over the interior. I saw the mountain in eruption. There appeared to be numerous apertures below the edge of the crater from which the steam was ejected. The great cone is truncated and has changed considerably in appearance. The natives were abandoning large sections of the country in proximity to the mountain. The government has warned the people to remove their effects to high ground in the interior in anticipation of a possible tidal wave."

"Martinique, in the northern part, is in full blossom and is thriving. We are shipping more freight now than before the eruption. It is a mistake to say that the people are starving and are crowding the little parts of the island. The fact is, that considering so many have been victims of the eruptions, the fugitives are comparatively few in number. There is no need of food supplies. The natives will not go to work as long as they can obtain food for nothing. There is room for all and employment is easily obtained."

Kingston, B. W. I., Sept. 18.—There was an eruption of La Soufriere at midnight last night, but no loss of life. A peculiarity of this eruption is found in the fact that no dust nor scoria were emitted by the volcano. Flames were seen flickering above the crater and the light was accompanied by internal and thunderlike explosions.

REBACA.

September 22.

There was preaching at Hebron Sunday.

A protracted meeting begins at Smith's chapel Sunday, September 28th. Messrs. Esser and Wells will conduct the meeting.

Messrs. Albert and Herbert Maxwell left this morning for Faison, where they go to attend school.

Mr. Nannie Smith is quite sick, to the regret of her many friends.

Mr. Oscar Smith of Richmond, Va., was home on a visit a few days last week.

Miss Idelle Howard is teaching at Gum school house.

Mr. Van Kennedy of Pender county, is visiting friends and relatives in this community.

Misses Stella and Jennie Maxwell went to Woodington Sunday.

Mr. George Smith has gone to Pender county to stay for awhile.

Stomach Trouble.

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A REBUKE FOR LOCKE CRAIG

PLAN TO ADMINISTER A "FROST"

Scheme to Keep Democrats From Attending Debates

Charlotte Observer: Greensboro, Sept. 21.—Senator Fritchard left tonight for Kinston, where he will tomorrow meet Locke Craig, seq., in joint discussion. It is understood that Mr. Craig went on to Kinston today.

A queer state of affairs may develop at some of the places where these gentlemen have engaged to speak. From various quarters the intelligence reached this city today that the friends of other Democratic candidates for the senate are devising a means for administering a rebuke to the gentleman from Buncombe for accepting Senator Fritchard's challenge for a joint discussion, and in this way playing a spectacular role throughout the campaign. Whether the movement has the sanction of the other candidates is not known to the writer, but there is no question about the accuracy of the foregoing statement. It has been planned that the rebuke shall take the form of a "frost" in that Democrats will be asked to remain at home, or not to go near the place of speaking. Whether there is any such movement on in Kinston is not known, but it seems that the freezing-out process is certainly to be attempted at Wilmington. Should the plan succeed the senator and would-be senator may find themselves talking to empty benches, as Republicans are scarce in some of the eastern towns, and if the Democrats should stay at home there would be the very nature of the case be no audience. There is, however, two sides to this situation, and there is a possibility that the movement may have a boomerang effect. In the event the friends of other candidates should openly make the attempt to give Mr. Craig the cold shoulder, and should fail, the friends of the Buncombe man might claim with plausibility that the lines had been drawn and that the popularity of their man had been unquestionably established.

Mr. Craig had heard nothing of the intention of his opponents before leaving Asheville, so the future may have some surprises in store for him.

Boys and Girls of the Carnival.

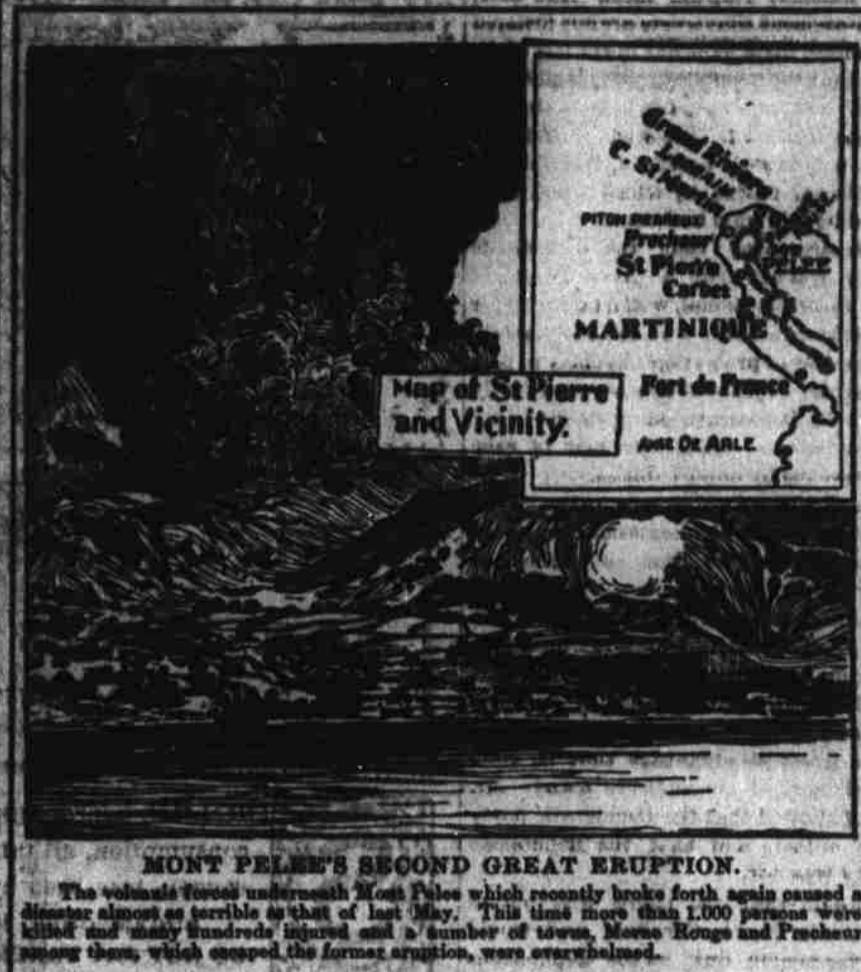
A large number of girls and boys have not taken a part in the lantern carnival which is to take place next Friday night. I find that some of them are anxious to take a lantern in the parade, but have not offered to do so, because it was not convenient for their mothers to make a costume. Now I want all the girls and boys who have not taken part to see me before Wednesday night, and I think I can find something pleasant for them to do in the carnival, and they can wear their usual dress. They can come to the rehearsal at the court house and consult me about it on Tuesday and Wednesday from 2:30 to 5:30 o'clock. I hope all the children who have taken characters to impersonate will be at the rehearsal or be sure to let me know if they are obliged to be absent. We need a large number, not for the drills, but for the parade, and I am sure you will all enjoy it.

Mrs. ARABELLA.

THE WEE-LITTLES IN VIENNA.



FIND THE RESTAURANT KEMPER.



MONT PELEE'S SECOND GREAT ERUPTION.

The volcano forced underneath Mont Pelee which recently broke forth again caused a disaster almost as terrible as that of last May. This time more than 1,500 persons were killed and many thousands injured and a number of towns, Messes, Bongo and Fouches among them, which escaped the former eruption, were overthrown.

WILL THEY COMBINE?

Many say the Real American-Imperial Fight Has Not Yet Begun. London, Sept. 20.—The tobacco situation is absorbing columns of space in the London dailies. A recent dinner of the Wholesale Association was productive of varied speculation, owing to a speech of the chairman, who mysteriously hinted at possible government action against imported manufactured tobacco and a speedy end of the present trade war by the amalgamation of the American and Imperial Tobacco companies. Those interested in and conversant with the real situation assert that neither the American nor the British companies are ripe for any sort of a compromise, and that the real fight has not yet commenced.

Extends Thanks.

The board of directors of the Kinston Library Association thanks Mrs. J. J. Rogers most sincerely for donating one-half of the proceeds of "Fruits of His Folly" to the support of the library and appreciates the kindness of the young ladies and the gentlemen who presented it so admirably. The library has always been supported by the efforts of women like Mrs. Rogers, who are capable and generous of their time and talents.

RICHARD H. LEWIS,
D. OTTINGER,
MRS. W. C. FIELDS,
SYBIL HYATT,
MRS. W. J. STANLEY.

Old Maid Insurance.

Women insure against being old maids in Denmark. If they marry before they are forty, what they have paid in goes to the less fortunate, and these last are pensioned for the remainder of their lives on a scale proportionate on what they paid in.

Dwarfs and Giants.

As a rule dwarfs live much longer than giants. The latter usually have weak constitutions, their blood circulation is sluggish, and they have brittle bones.

Put Sandwiches.

To make nut sandwiches chop the nuts very fine, using almonds, English walnuts and hickory nuts. Butter the bread, slice and put on it a thin layer of the chopped nuts, a little salt and sprinkle of grated cheese. Put another piece of bread over this and press slightly.

Stays.

In 1644 stays were introduced into the costumes of gentlemen to keep the doublet straight and confine the waist.

The Gulf Stream.

The gulf stream flows at the rate of about two and a half miles an hour. Five miles is exceeded in some places, and the rate varies much with conditions of weather and tide.

Record in Public Houses.

Eleven public houses in a village which only contains thirteen dwellings is a record which will be hard to beat. Such a village is to be found in County Kerry, Ireland, the only premises not licensed being the police barracks and a creamery.

Terrapin Fishing.

The fisherman catches the terrapin with a pair of tongs on the eastern shore of Maryland.

A Record Pull.

Forty-five tons is the record of weight ever pulled by a pair of horses. This was in the shape of bark loaded on a sleigh and pulled on ice.

HUMOR OF THE HOUR

A Long Felt Want.

"Now, gentlemen," began the fakir, turning to the crowd after arranging his paraphernalia; "I wish to call your attention to a little article I am introducing, which is without question the greatest invention of the twentieth century. To all outward appearances it is an ordinary keyboard plate for front doors, but its merit lies in a secret process of manufacture whereby it is so thoroughly magnetized that it will attract an ordinary steel key from a distance of three feet. Probably there isn't a gentleman within the sound of my voice, but what has experienced more or less difficulty in discovering the whereabouts of the keyhole in the front door of his domicile after having been detained at his office till the milkman comes. But with this little invention in your possession, gentlemen, such mishaps are a thing of the past. After it is once firmly attached to the door all you have to do in order to connect with the keyhole is to line up anywhere within three feet of the door-knob, take out your key and hang on to it, and the little life saver will do the rest. The regular price of these wonder workers is \$1 each, but in order to introduce them quickly and at the same time win the everlasting gratitude of my fellow men I am offering them for one day only at the ridiculous price of 25 cents—and the gentleman over there takes the first one. Thank you, sir. Another goes right down here, another there. Now, gentlemen, please don't get excited. Bear in mind that I have enough to supply each and every mother's son of you, so get your money ready, but don't crowd."—Chicago News.

The Jury Disagreed.

"Doctor," said the cannibal king to his court physician, "I am feeling mighty bad this morning. My stomach is all out of order."

"Um-m-m" mused the court physician. "Been eating some more of those rich foreigners?"

"No," moaned the king. "The last banquet we had was twelve men that claimed to have been professional jurymen at home."

"Well," advised the court physician, "you had better send for your attorney general. The jury disagreed, and he should take charge of the case."—Judge.

A Little Too Plain.

She—He didn't succeed in convincing her after all his argument.

He—No; he merely made her mad. "But his explanation was clear."

"Yes, and that's where he made his mistake. He told her it was as plain as the nose on her face."—Philadelphia Record.

Prophetic Words.

Jimson—I predicted that some day Dedbeets would wind up at the end of a rope.

Jester—By Jove, you're right! Only yesterday I saw him colling up a clothesline for his wife in his own back yard.—Ohio State Journal.

Couldn't Remember His Name.

A dealer about to wire a receipt for a purchaser did not like to admit he could not remember the name of so good a customer and resorted to the expedient of asking:

"How do you spell your name?" "S-m-i-t-h."—Judge.

Candor.

"Why do you say such bitter things of those you call parvenus?" "Well," answered Miss Cayenne frankly, "I like money as well as anybody does. Maybe I'm somewhat jealous because I'm not a parvenu myself."

"THE FRUITS OF HIS FOLLY"

PRODUCED IN LOFTIN'S OPERA HOUSE

Was a Successful Event by Home Talent.

"The Fruits of His Folly" was presented at the opera house last night by local talent, and the able manner in which every part was taken showed splendid training and histrionic talent of no mean ability. The house was filled with an intelligent and appreciative audience which will net the promoters a neat little sum for the good cause for which it was given.

The several characters in the play acquitted themselves in splendid style, and made for themselves a niche in dramatic history.

Following is the cast of characters:

Jack Dunning—A victim of his own folly, and around whom the plot centers, by Dr. H. D. Harper, Jr., who played his part well and showed considerable talent.

Percy Ogden—A true friend of Jack's, was taken by Mr. G. V. Cowper who did some acting of a high order.

Ashley Drayton—A man of the world, was imitated by E. B. Lewis in a well understood part and resulted in great credit to him. Mr. Lewis acting the nonchalant man of the world was a highly creditable piece of work.

Elrman Boggs—Owner of Cowwells farm was played by Mr. J. J. Rogers in a very amusing manner.

William Henry—The hired man, was Mr. A. C. Stallings' part, and was performed well, and the singing of a solo was particularly pleasing to the audience who applauded to the echo.

Dorothy Dunning—Jack's wife, by Miss Mary Rogers was a complete success. As a loving, but misunderstood wife she acquitted herself in a splendid way.

Alce Grandon, Society Pet—By Miss Beede Braxton, was acted with easy grace that fitted the part to perfection. Her deep solicitude and true friendship for her friend, Dorothy, was beautifully portrayed.

Malinda Jane Boggs by Miss Payne Kilpatrick, was laughable in the extreme. Her quaint expressions, and strict religious ideas as portrayed, furnished many subjects for laughter, and was keenly enjoyed by the audience.

Sarah—Elrman's wife, by Miss Sybil Hyatt, was produced in a fitting way, and she portrayed the provincial dame in a manner that made Sarah a striking figure in the play.

Polly Flinders—By Miss Eva Smith, was a decided hit, and Miss Eva, though quite young in theatricals, displayed a keen appreciation of her part, and succeeded in captivating the audience at the start, and held them to the end.

Taken all together, it was a decidedly enjoyable affair, and was met with great appreciation by the large audience.

The gross receipts was \$112 of which \$85 was obtained from the sale of reserved seats. Something over \$80 was netted, which will be equally divided between the Kinston library and the Christian parsonage, both of whom we feel sure will appreciate and give the proper credit to the promoters and trainers, Mrs. J. J. Rogers and Mrs. Harding, who, with tireless energy, brought it to a successful issue.

Truthful Sarcasm. Sister—What is the best way to retain a man's love? Brother—Don't return it.—New York Weekly.

An Autumn Relief. When autumn comes and cools us off, We'll smile and say, "Hurrah!" Since men and horses both may doff Those comic hats of straw. —Washington Star.

Frankly Accepted. He—You are not the girl to give yourself away, are you? She—No; but you might ask father.—Judge.

The Main Point. "She hasn't much of a figure, has she?" "No; but her father has."—Life.

Some Men. Some men are like drums That are banged by the boys It's the big-headed ones That produce the most noise. —Ladies Weekly.

Five a Week. "How many servants do you keep?" "Oh, about four or five a week."—Town Topics.

Evened Up. That beauty's just skin deep we know, But then we guess That rule will work both ways, for so is ugliness. —Philadelphia Press.