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ODD AND INTERESTING HAPPENINGS.

The northbound fast mail on the Southern miraculously escaped a disastrous wreck two hundred yards from Goldsboro Tuesday afternoon. It had just pulled out of the station and had attained a speed of forty miles down a steep grade, going north, when at a sharp curve it left the track, bumping on the cross ties for more than two hundred yards, part of the distance including high embankment, steel trestle and sharp curve. The train was stopped by Engineer Joe Stedman without serious damage or accident, except that caused to the trestle and derailed cars. It is a mystery how the train escaped wreck. Civil Engineer Fry found the cause of the accident to be a small iron tap three or four inches in size placed on the rail, presumably by a boy curious to see the result. Instead of knocking the tap off, the wheels of the engine had mashed it, and were lifted off the rail themselves.

Fayetteville Observer: Deputy Sheriff J. McD. Monaghan and W. A. Beard and Policeman J. H. Benton Friday night captured a Croatan named Frank Winn, for whom there is \$300 reward on a charge of murder. Sheriff Cook received word that Winn had left the train Friday and was making towards Fayetteville, accompanied by his son. Winn killed his nephew, in Wayne county, last June and was bound over to court for trial on the charge of murder. He was subsequently released on habeas corpus proceedings, giving a bond for \$2,500. Six weeks ago he jumped his bond and has since been at large.

Tarboro, N. C., Oct. 14, Saturday a cyclone developed southeast of here, beginning at John Sutton's farm. It swept to the Coker place demolished the buildings, tore up stacks of fodder at C. J. Austin's scattered for 50 yards sacks of peanuts and tore up a barn and ten houses, from which the occupants narrowly escaped. At Judge Howard's Oak Spring farm it blew off chimneys, scattered cotton and fodder. Those who saw the storm say it was an appalling sight. The clouds whirled and rolled while the wind howled and hissed. In its path trees were twisted off and carried in the air, and it destroyed all it touched.

Kings Weekly: State Treasurer Lacy rules out those "nickel-in-the-slot" machines which may or may not give money for each coin dropped in but which always play a piece of music; the idea being that the music is not equivalent for the money put in. A ruling was made some time ago that the machines which always give chewing gum but which were uncertain as to money returned could not be prohibited. But these too are purely for gambling.

Raleigh News and Observer: Few negroes are registering in Raleigh and those who do, come in under the "read and write" clause. Ferry Noble, a colored barber, came in under this clause as he is able to read and write the constitution and can recite much of it from memory. Caesar Johnson is the only negro thus far known to have registered under the "grandfather clause" as his grandfather was a free negro and entitled to vote.

Wilmington Star: Sol Lewis, a young Wilmington negro living in the first ward, and employed at night as a car coupler on the A. C. L. yards in this city, was almost instantly killed as the result of being crushed between two cars Saturday night. The negro went between the cars to make a coupling and was caught in his stomach between the bumpers and horribly mangled. His father and mother live in "Brooklyn" and the remains were turned over to them for burial.

Salisbury Sun: Mr. Thomas Coughenour's dog, while trailing an opossum last night, was badly bitten by a moccasin snake. A smaller dog had trailed the opossum, when one of Mr. Coughenour's dogs came up and took a betrail. In an instant the snake had the dog by the leg and did not release his grip until killed by Mr. Coughenour. The dog died profusely. The snake was about five feet in length.

He Learned a Great Truth.

It is said of John Wesley that he once said to his wife: "Why do you tell that child the same thing over and over again?" John Wesley, because once telling is not enough." It is for this reason that you are told again and again that Chamberlain's Cough Remedy cures all coughs and gripes that it counteracts any tendency of these diseases to result in pneumonia, and that it is pleasant and safe to take. For sale by J. E. Bond.

CHOICE MISCELLANY

A Momentous Sneeze.

Perhaps because an elephant sneezes so seldom or because he sneezes so loud oriental folk are very superstitious, about the occurrence and believe that to hear an elephant sneeze brings good luck. The Baltimore Herald gives an account of the effect produced by a sneeze of Jumbo II. at the Maryland industrial exhibition:

Jumbo's sneeze is like the bursting of a boiler, and it created a fairly good sized panic. The elephant began to get ready for the sneeze half an hour before it happened, and as the time for the event drew near he was rolling about in his cage, apparently in great agony. Suddenly he stopped, gave one bellow and then sneezed.

The look of perfect contentment on his face after the great event was in startling contrast to the terror seen on the faces of the feeling people. Visitors to the exposition were running in all directions, not knowing what awful thing it was from which they were racing away.

Among the Mohammedans of the oriental and Chinese villages Jumbo's sneeze caused wild excitement. They rushed to the cage and, bowing before his elephantine highness, began praying at a rapid rate. When they finished, they explained that an elephant's sneezes are of the rarest occurrence, and the event was one of great significance to them. Elephants are susceptible to cold and catch cold easily, but it is very, very rarely that they sneeze.

Hymns Allowed in the Treasury. A day or two after Secretary Shaw disciplined several clerks of the treasury department for playing poker and indulging in other practices not consistent with his views of the proper conduct of public officials he entered his office at an unusually early hour, even for him. Richard Page, of African descent and of great dignity acquired through his long connection with the department as a messenger, was singing an old fashioned church hymn, not thinking of course that the secretary was within the sound of his voice. When the messenger turned and discovered that the secretary had heard him singing, he was sore afraid and begged that his violation of the rules of the department, which prohibit the making of unusual noises, should not result in his immediate discharge. "Never mind, Richard, never mind," consolingly said the secretary. "I see nothing in the rules of this department which prohibits the singing of church hymns. If more of that kind of music were rendered here, we would all get along better. You can sing hymns, Richard, in this building as much as you want to, but remember, Richard, that I want you to sing only hymns when you sing at all."

A New Sport For Women. "Hammering" is an unpleasant process on the Stock Exchange, but in Australia the word has recently acquired a new and more agreeable significance. At antipodean bazaars "hammering" is now an established institution. Ladies who enter for the competition go on a platform with hammers in their hands. Each is supplied with a piece of the hard Australian timber largely used for the paving of London streets. Each lady is also presented with three nails, and at a given signal they start to work. The lady who is the first to drive her three nails home to the head wins the prize. Says one descriptive reporter: "Steel sparks and splinters flew around. The nails would go anywhere but through the wood. The hammers would go anywhere but on the nail heads."—London Chronicle.

The Ocean Trip. Half an hour or so appears to be an important saving in time in the ocean voyage. Columbus and Cabot and Drake would not have thought much of it, but in these days of ship speeding every captain of a liner is ambitious to maintain his record and to beat it if possible. Again, there are people even in this age of hurry and bustle to whom the ocean trip is in itself an agreeable incident. The society is generally pleasant, there are interesting sights on the deep, the fare is as good as that of a first class hotel, seasickness has become unfashionable, there is plenty of reading matter and no disposition to look at it, and the trip is in short a restful one till the ship is within range of the wireless telegraph and the meddling world resumes its chatter.—Brooklyn Eagle.

An Ingenious Swindle. A novel kind of swindle was practiced in a German town the other day. A man struggling along under a heavy burden suddenly stumbled and crashed through a plate glass store window. The proprietor of the store demanded payment. The porter said he had no money. Passersby advised that he be searched. A thousand mark note was found on him, which, he said, belonged to his employer. The storekeeper, however, deducted 100 marks for the value of his window and handed 900 marks change to the porter, who went away swearing and protesting. A little later the storekeeper discovered the thousand mark note was spurious.

SMALLPOX RAGING IN NEW BERN

TEN DEATHS REPORTED FROM IT

County Board of Health Quarantines Against New Bern.

The smallpox situation in New Bern has reached proportions that threaten the sanitary safety of other communities, and it is meet and proper that prompt action should be taken to properly safeguard the interests of this community. It has been rumored for some time that smallpox was prevalent in New Bern, but for obvious reasons the conditions were kept from the world outside the city, and infect the citizens of New Bern themselves were in ignorance of the true situation. The authorities at New Bern, and the New Bern Journal of that city have been derelict in their duty to the public in withholding the facts, and even now, when it is so evident to every one, the Journal does not publish the conditions to the extent that they really exist. We give below the statement of the Journal today.

"Last night the local smallpox situation, in New Bern, could be summed up, as far as actual known cases of the disease, as one case, which on account of the patient's condition, previous to having the smallpox, made it impossible to remove the woman.

The county board of sanitation have added Dr. Charles Duffy and Dr. F. W. Hughes to the sanitary committee, with full authority to act in any and every way which they may deem proper to protect this community.

Every suspected case is given immediate attention, and every actual case is at once removed to a place beyond the city.

Compulsory vaccination continues and will be continued until every one is vaccinated. Since October 1st five actual cases of smallpox have been found and cared for in this city, the cases being on the borders of the city, and all except one, colored.

The facts in the case as learned by Dr. Pridden, superintendent of health of Lenoir county, from Dr. Chas. Duff, assistant superintendent of health at New Bern, is that there are a number of cases in New Bern and Craven county, 10 deaths having occurred from it up to last night, and another death is expected today. Dr. Duffy has been very courteous to Dr. Pridden in regard to the matter since he has been in a position to speak with authority, but this cannot be said of some of the other members of the health board of Craven county. Several weeks ago when Dr. Pridden notified them of a suspect, who had come from New Bern, and was returning on a train to that city, not a thing could be learned from them concerning the disposition of the party suspected, further than that the car in which she rode from here was fumigated. That party, it is now learned, is in the pest house in an advanced stage of virulent smallpox.

Dr. Pridden has been persistent in his efforts to find out from the authorities at New Bern the true situation but until last night when he got in communication with Dr. Duffy over the 'phone his efforts were unavailing.

The situation at New Bern is undoubtedly serious, and we have no doubt that the board of health will take proper steps to protect sanitary conditions at this place.

It will be recalled that New Bern unhesitatingly established a quarantine against Kinston when the situation here was not near so serious as it apparently is at New Bern now.

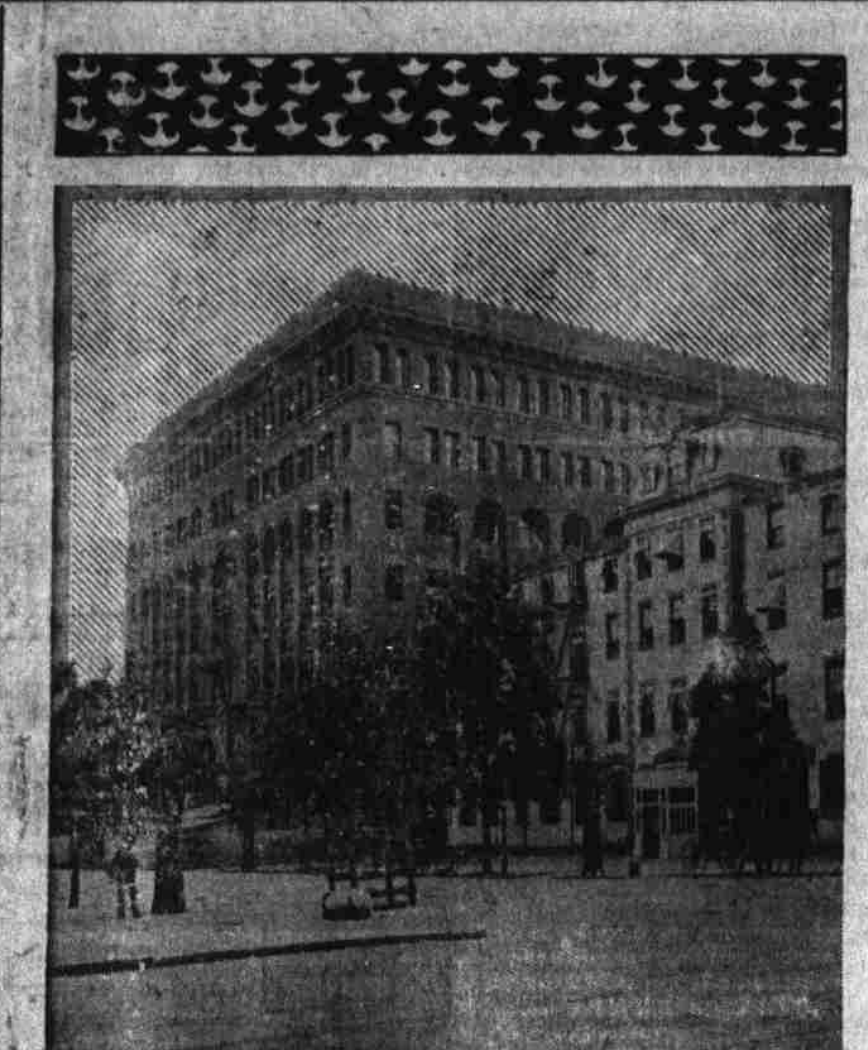
The interests of Kinston are too great to take the risk of a smallpox epidemic.

Since the above was put in type, the county board of health has declared a quarantine against New Bern. The town board will meet tonight and it is practically certain that they will endorse the action of the county board, and do the same thing.

Oil Stains. To remove oil stains make a paste with fuller's earth and soft cold water and spread it thinly on the stains. Let it remain for some hours and then brush off with a stiff brush. If the stains have not disappeared, repeat the process.

A United States senator has been advised to resign on account of his health. It is intimated that there are some members of the national legislature who might resign for the health of the public.

Judging from what Mr. Baldwin says about the young men on his credit expedition, Mr. Ziegler appears to be about right in deciding to send no more "romantic smoking dudes" after the north pole.



THE NEW AND THE OLD GOVERNMENT PRINTING OFFICES

The new government printing office, now nearing completion, although it has seven acres of floor space, will be only large enough for the current work of the government and does not make any substantial allowance for future growth. Yet the structure is so large that it has consumed in its erection 14,000,000 pounds of steel, one-seventh as much cast iron and 45,000 barrels of Portland cement. The doors have been made of an asbestos composition, the floor and window frames of iron, and the whole structure is as nearly fire proof as it was possible to make it. The cost, when it is completed, will be about \$2,400,000.

HEAD CUT OFF.

Committee Suicide at Goldsboro by Throwing Himself Under Train.

New Bern Journal: Albert Combs, a white man, married, committed suicide at Goldsboro last night by throwing himself under the A. & N. C. shoofly. His head was severed from his body. Mr. C. J. Rivenbark, who is in the city, says that Coroner Dr. Thomas Hill, made the following report to the clerk of the court for Wayne county.

"Having been notified by affidavit of Sheriff B. F. Scott that a dead man had been found on the A. & N. C. railroad, I went to the place indicated and found that Albert Combs had been killed by the A. & N. C. shoofly. I examined witnesses and found that it was a case of suicide and not necessary to have a jury."

The investigation developed the fact that Combs, an hour or two earlier in the evening had attempted self destruction by throwing himself on the track before an approaching freight train and was snatched from the jaws of death by Mr. Gus Kleneth, an eye witness. Combs then remarked "there is another train coming shortly," went to his home and quarreled with his wife, left home and was found on the track after the shoofly passed.

The large purchases of coal in England for shipment to the United States have quite naturally forced up the price of that commodity in the British market and will possibly make the conditions of living somewhat harder over there. That, however, is only reversing the condition that exists here when Europe has a short wheat crop and bids up the price of the poor man's flour in our market. A serious and pronounced shortage in any of the great staples in any part of the world is pretty likely to have, in greater or less degree, an effect upon all other parts of the world. A London paper suggests that in case American demand for British coal forces the price to an excessively high figure the government might prohibit its exportation. The government could not do so without an act of parliament, and it is difficult to see how parliament could prohibit exportation after putting a tax on exported coal for the benefit of the imperial treasury.

Religion. Attention of unworried kind. The Bible now receives. It is a splendid thing, we find. For greasing autumn leaves. —Chicago Record-Herald.

One Didn't Pay. He—Will you teach me how to make love to you? She—I will if I can get up a class.—Detroit Free Press.

Real Wealth. He dabbled in stocks and won. For he was a lucky fellow. Not only did he make his pile, but he has it in his cellar. —Topeka Herald.

There's Many a Slip on the Ice or Wet Ground at this time of year, and many a sore spot in consequence. No amount of caution will guarantee you against accident. That is why we keep Perry Davis' Painkiller on hand to relieve the ache of bruised flesh, and sore, throbbing muscles. It has given relief to two generations. There is but one Painkiller, Perry Davis'.

GENERAL ITEMS OF INTEREST

NEWSY ITEMS FROM ALL PARTS

Bank Cashier Commits Suicide—Strike Notes of Different Trades.

Fighting is reported as being in progress between government and revolutionary forces in Venezuela.

The street car strike in New Orleans has ended, the differences between the street car company and strikers having been amicably settled.

It is said unofficially that the British government will ask parliament to authorize a Transvaal loan of \$150,000,000 or more, to be guaranteed by the Imperial government.

Several hundred cigar makers employed in the factory of LaRosa de Cuba of the Cuban American Manufacturing company and the LaRosa Espanola factory of the American Cigar company, at Tampa, Fla., are on strike.

Two aeronauts, De Bradey and his engineer, Morin, were killed by falling from a dirigible balloon in Paris Monday. The wire ropes attaching the car to the balloon gave way and the car with its occupants fell to the ground from a great height.

Reports now state that the striking miners may not accept the proposition of the mine owners, as the latter named too many restrictions in the offer for President Roosevelt to name the board of arbitration.

Charles G. Dale, cashier of the New York County national bank, committed suicide by shooting Sunday night at his home at West New Brighton, S. I. An investigation of his accounts at the bank was made and the announcement was made that they were all right.

Sunday night, in an altercation near Briggs' store, in Dickinson county, Va., Wm. Bartley fatally shot John Crabtree. Bartley and his wife then started for their home and when near Clintwood were ambushed and Mrs. Bartley was mortally wounded. The trouble grew out of an old feud involving several families, and more bloodshed is expected.

The Georgia railroad engineers, claiming to have support of the engineers in 9,000 miles of railway in that section, have given public notice that if a petition by them for mileage wage scale instead of per diem is not granted by October 23rd, they will strike, intimating that the engineers on connecting roads will go with them if necessary.

The wooden steamer, C. B. Lockwood, foundered in a storm fifteen miles off Ashbula, Ohio, Monday night. The captain and crew succeeded in launching two boats just before the steamer went down. One of the boats containing the captain was picked up near the harbor this morning. The other boat has not yet been heard from. Tugs and life-savers are searching for the missing boat, which contained ten members of the crew.

TRENTON ITEMS.

Mr. F. Brock made a business trip to Kinston yesterday.

Mrs. L. F. Fosene left yesterday morning to visit relatives at Kinston.

Mr. J. J. Rogers came from Kinston Monday on business.

Mrs. S. E. and Miss Mary Koonce visited relatives at Newbern last week.

Dr. S. E. Koonce, of Pollockville, visited here last week.

Mrs. Fred Parker, of Olivers, is visiting at her brother's, Mr. B. P. Parker, in Jones county.

Miss Julia Hammond will leave today to visit relatives at Kinston.

It is reported that Collins, one of the men who broke jail has been caught at New Bern, and is in jail there. Collins was in jail for court costs. He claims that he was asleep when the breaking was done.

Mr. H. M. Pollock has moved from New Bern and opened a grocery store next door to Mr. J. P. Brogden's.

There are several rural free delivery mail boxes on at the post office.

Mr. Charles L. Abernethy will address the people at Trenton on Wednesday, October 15 on the issues of the day. Be sure and come out.

Over 150 bales of cotton were sold on our market Friday, prices averaging about 8.20.

It might be said that Trenton has more planes to its size than any other town in Eastern Carolina. There is one to about every three families.

The steamer "Howard" arrived Monday evening with two negro passengers said to have come from a smallpox district. Immediate action was taken by the town officers and the steamer was authorized to take them back immediately.

An entertainment was given one night last week by the young men of Trenton to the young ladies at Hotel Brooker. All enjoyed a long stay and pleasant evening.

Panned Potatoes.

For panned potatoes peel and cut raw potatoes into thin slices and let stand in cold water five minutes. Lay in a baking dish, sprinkling each layer with salt and pepper. When the dish is almost full, pour in enough milk to cover the potatoes and bake in a slow oven for two hours, stirring occasionally.

Sleep Talkers.

Persons who talk in their sleep will frequently answer questions if spoken to softly.

Memory Freaks.

It is instanced as one of the curiosities of the memory that people who know long pieces of verse by heart frequently cannot remember their telephone number.

Faded Writing.

Writing rendered illegible by age may be restored by moistening it by means of a feather with an infusion of galls or a solution of prussiate of potash slightly acidulated with muriatic acid, observing so to apply the liquid as to prevent the ink from spreading.

The Oldest Statue.

The oldest statue of the world is of the sheik of an Egyptian village. It is believed to be not less than 6,000 years old.

The Real Mother Goose.

"Mother Goose," who is probably more familiar to children than any other personage in story books, was a real person. Mrs. Goose, for that was her real name, lived with a family named Fleet, who kept a little store in Pudding lane, Boston.

Interest.

A dollar loaned for a hundred years and compounded at 24 per cent will amount in that time to \$2,531,790,404.

Filtered Water.

Fish kept in filtered water, it is said, will die. That is because the food has been taken out of it. The food, however, is what makes unfiltered water dangerous as a beverage to human beings.

Cheer Up.

Ere long we'll hear the wintry blast, And by some strange device The mercury will drop as fast As coal goes up in price. —Baltimore News.

Real Caustic.

"Is she pretty?" "Why, man alive, her father's worth \$40,000. Of course she's pretty!" —New Yorker.

An English View.

Will Schwab retire? He won't, not he; No answer we're requiring. The thing's absurd, because, you see, No Yankee are retiring. —London Express.

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