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GENERAL NEWS ITEMS

Matters of Interest Condensed into Brief Paragraphs.

A LITTLE ABOUT NUMEROUS THINGS

The Pith of the World's News That Might Interest Our Readers. An Item Here and There.

With the exception of a few hundred inaccessible heathen on the east coast, Greenland, with its 10,000 population, is now under a uniform Christian influence.

Of the 41,000,000 people in England more than half of them live on an income of less than \$12 a week, and the earnings of 7,000,000 of this number do not exceed \$6 a week for the family.

Seranton, June 16.—The mine workers' convention has endorsed the action of the executive boards in electing miners' representatives in the board of conciliation. This averts all prospect of a strike.

New York, June 15.—An official announcement has been made at the weekly meeting of the Central Federated union of the abandoning of the strike in the subway by the excavators. This means that over twenty thousand men will apply for work unconditionally.

Portland, Oregon, June 16.—Instead of 300 killed in the destruction at Heppner, it is now definitely known that over 500 persons lost their lives. Three hundred bodies have been recovered and almost as many more are wedged in the wreckage strewn along Willow Creek valley. There are not enough abled-bodied men left at Heppner to work in the debris or bury the victims already recovered.

New York, June 15.—Charles F. McFarland, of the Anti-Police society, was shot and killed today on the general sessions floor of the criminal courts building by William Spencer, a negro, who was to have been placed on trial today on the charge of violating the anti-police law. A detective witnessed the shooting and knocking the revolver from Spencer's hand placed him under arrest.

New York, June 16.—One young woman was so badly injured that she will die and four men were seriously cut and bruised in a wild elevator today that dropped six stories in a building on 27 west Houston street. Five hundred girls and women were working in the building where the accident occurred. The crash caused a panic and in the mad rush which ensued several were slightly injured.

New York, June 16.—Inspectors sent from Washington to investigate the New York postoffice scandal, developing a new phase in the case today. This is a mail chute business and methods employed by firms in putting these devices in large buildings. Postmaster Vancott reiterated today that he had no intention of resigning his office and expressed unconcern regarding the investigation of his department.

Charlottesville, Va., June 16.—The citizens of Charlottesville gave President Roosevelt a hearty welcome today on the occasion of his visit to the University of Virginia. His address at the alumni exercises struck a responsive chord in the hearts of his audience and he was frequently interrupted by the cheering crowd. Senator Daniel, who followed the president, paid a high tribute to his address by saying: "I cannot add anything to what the president has already said, but I do desire to say that if the president had made that speech to the Spaniards at Santiago he would have captured every one of them without the firing of a single shot."

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Barring physical accidents, there is no sickness except that depending directly upon a want of food or water or air, sometimes all three. When any one is sick the presumption is that he has been trying to subsist on poor food or vitiated air or bad water, one or more.

In order to have good food a person ought to have the first eating of it. Food that has been mused over and left by one person is not fit to be eaten by another.

In order to have good air a person ought to have the first breathing of it. Air that has been breathed by other persons is not fit to breathe again.

Water should be fresh from some spring or well. If hydrant water must be used let it run a bit, as the house pipes are apt to be of lead and not iron like the pipes that convey the water through the city.

Food that is relished, air that cools and invigorates, water that is quaffed with eager thirst—these are the things that make blood. Put fresh air into the lungs, good food and pure water into the stomach, and nature will do the rest.—Medical Talk.

A Trick With an Egg.

Place two V shaped wineglasses of the same size near the edge of a table. In the right hand one put an egg, just fitting the rim of the glass. Hold the bases of the glasses firmly down, the top rims touching each other. Now, with a quick, sharp breath, blow upon the line where the egg and the glass meet. The egg will jump to the other glass. With a little practice this can be done every time. Be careful to blow in a line with the left hand glass, or the egg will jump in the wrong direction and land on the table with disastrous results.

Her Objection.

"Don't you think you are taking the wrong stand when you say you do not wish your son to marry, Mrs. Willoughby?" asked an intimate friend. "Don't you know it is natural and best for a young man to marry and that he will not think any the less of his mother because he has a wife?"

"Oh, it isn't that," protested Mrs. Willoughby. "I don't mind his marrying on general principles, but I don't want to be called 'the old Mrs. Willoughby.'"—New York Press.

Awake.

Sharp—Why, I almost lost money on the goods I sold to you. How much do you think I made on the order?

Eyer—About twenty-five times as much.

Sharp—Twenty-five times as much as what?

Eyer—As you were going to say you made.—Philadelphia Ledger.

Not Used to It.

Hostess—I wonder why your little brother seems so restless and uncomfortable?

Little Ethel—I think it's 'cause his hands is clean.—Stray Stories.

All One to Him.

"Look, papa! The Duke has brought his cotonet."

"Tell him to go ahead and play it. I don't mind the noise."—Life.

A Disengaged Club.

In Berlin a club of the "disengaged" has been formed by young men who, having broken with their sweethearts, regard marriage as fated to be a failure.

Two Towns.

Hammerfest, in Norway, is the most northern town of any importance in the world and Puntas Arenas, in Patagonia, the farthest south.

A Remarkable Echo.

At the castle of Simonetta, Italy, there is an angle in the building which re-echoes a pistol shot sixty-one times. The echoed reports from twenty-one to thirty-three are always louder than the report of the shot itself.

Meerschaum Pipes.

The practice sometimes indulged in by smokers of soaking a meerschaum in hot water, milk or steaming it is altogether wrong. It spoils the meerschaum and ruins the color.

NEWFOUNDLAND WRECKERS

The Bounty That is Gleaned From a Barren Shore.

In bygone times it was the practice of the Newfoundland coast folk to appropriate everything they secured, but this lawlessness had to be sternly repressed. Now the unwritten rule is that they get "half their haul," or 50 per cent, as salvage. In portable and valuable articles, such as silverware, there is still a strong temptation to keep the whole, but the punishment is severe. Champagne, liquors, cabin stores and the like have also a trick of disappearing, and in the poorest fisher's cottage you will come upon rare china, dainty napery, silverware of price and wines to tempt an epicure. The salvors are reckless and unthinking, and as they gather in hundreds every man pre-empt what he can. In the rush there is much destroyed. When the Herder was lost in 1882 they burned whalebone worth \$15,000 a ton to save leather costing 20 cents a pound. In the Emmeline wreck of 1800 they tramped crates of costly glassware to get at four cases of French prayer books valued at 25 cents apiece. On one occasion two salvors had got ashore a piano and were adopting the Solomon-like expedient of sawing it in half when a shrewder chum bought it from them for a bottle of whisky looted from the captain's cabin. When the Grassbrook went ashore in 1890 every man on the shore provided himself with a German concertina, of which instruments of torture she had a large consignment, and to secure them packages of much more costly freight were thrown overboard. When the Orion, from Baltimore for Copenhagen, struck the back of Cape Race and went to pieces she had a large consignment of bicycles on board, and they were auctioned in St. John's and disposed of all over the island. The Abbeymore's lading in 1898 included some cases of splendid English rifles for Canada, and these are now to be seen adorning every fisher's cottage along the shore.—P. T. McGrath in McClure's.

Animals Becoming Extinct.

Every century sees several species of animal becoming extinct. In the race for life the weak must yield to the strong, and because they are persistently sought for food or for feathers not only individuals but whole families cease to exist. The disappearance of the great auk can be laid to the nineteenth century. It became extinct on the American side of the Atlantic about 1840 and in Europe about 1844. The South African quagga disappeared about 1870 owing to the slaughter by hide hunters. The twin shelled tortoise of the Galapagos islands became extinct in all probability about 1875. The black emu of South Australia was also exterminated during the century, though it was abundant in 1803. The great cormorant was last seen alive about 1839, and many other species of birds from all parts of the world have likewise been exterminated. In the Danish West India islands, for example, out of fourteen species catalogued in 1795 only six still exist, and a similar history can be told of many other localities.

So Candid!

Playwright—My new play was brought out last night. At the close of the first act there were loud and persistent calls for the author.

Simpleton—You don't say! To think they could be so vindictive as that!—Boston Evening Transcript.

Spoke From Experience.

Teacher—Give me a definition of "operable" and use the adjective in a sentence to illustrate.

Claude—"Operable," capable of being worked. Example, "My father is operable."—Philadelphia Ledger.

A Perfect Dear.

Mildred—That English earl your sister married is a dear little fellow, isn't he?

Sadie—Dear? I should say so. Papa paid half a million for him.—Kansas City Journal.

This May Be True.

"Say, pa," queried little Johnny Bunkerknicker, "what's a double chin?"

"A conversation between your mother and grandmother, my son," replied the old man.—Cincinnati Enquirer.

An Expensive Road.

"Now that you have at last killed a rabbit, I will prepare it myself."

"Oh, don't, dear; let the cook do it! Just think, the rabbit has cost me almost \$50."—Phegenda Blatter.

THE BI-CENTENNIAL

Of the Founder of Methodism is Celebrated Far and Wide.

HE WAS A THEOLOGICAL STATESMAN

John Wesley Was Born at Epworth, England, on June 17th, 1703, and Had a Varied Career.

Two hundred years ago today was born at Epworth, England, John Wesley, the founder of Methodism. The impress of his character has been left upon the great everyday life of both England and America, and it is not too much to style him a "Theological Statesman," in its broadest sense.

Speaking of Wesley the Winston-Salem Journal says:

Methodists all over the country, are holding, during this month, suitable services to memorialize his birthday and to bring before the people prominent facts in reference to the history of Methodism. The mission of Luther was to reform a corrupt Christianity, that of Wesley to revive a dying one.

In speaking of the founder of a great movement it is interesting to know something of his ancestors. These we find on both sides of the Wesley house were noted for learning, piety, poetry, music, loyalty and chivalry. If there is anything in the theory of heredity, a richer and finer combination could hardly be found than was presented by this family. Indeed for five hundred years his family distinguished themselves in English history. Soldiers, statesmen, scholars and ministers were blood kin to him.

Among these was Waterloo's hero, the Duke of Wellington. Wesley's father was noted for his deep piety, learning and poetical turn of mind. His mother for her great intelligence, sound judgment varied learning and deep piety. The mother of 19 children she was methodical and systematic in her training of them. It is to be wondered at then that three of these sons became famous, Samuel, Charles and John? What a grand tribute to the superiority of this magnificent woman, and glorious reward for the self denial practiced were the fine specimens of manhood and womanhood that she bequeathed to the world.

John Wesley, the most famous of all, distinguished himself at Oxford University, not only for his learning and piety, but also for founding the "Holy Club," which was the cradle of Methodism. At 35 years of age, he entered upon his life work, as the organizer and founder of Methodism, and for 56 years was a faithful itinerant Methodist preacher. In these days of costly churches, luxurious appointments and pleasant environments, his labors sound like an exaggeration. He traveled, chiefly on horseback, 250,000 miles throughout Great Britain, preached 43,000 sermons, organized Methodism in both Europe and America, founded his mass meetings, love feasts, itinerant ministry, Sunday schools, articles of religion, church publishing houses and most of what is known today throughout the world as Methodism.

Mr. Wesley was the founder and patron of the Sunday school. At Savannah, Ga., in 1737, a generation before Robert Raikes's Sunday school at Gloucester, England, was organized, he gathered the children about him and taught them the Bible and church catechism. This was the beginning of the modern Sunday school. He was greatly assisted in his work by his brother, Charles, whose gift of poetry and talent for lyric compositions are acknowledged by all.

Since Dr. Coke was appointed bishop in 1784, Methodism has broadened and widened till now this denomination has 45,731 preachers; 7,448,892 members, 128,000 Sunday schools, and \$500,000,000 worth of church property.

Went to Races in Airship.

Paris, June 15.—W. K. Vanderbilt's horse Billmore was fourth in the race for the Prix de Villon at Longchamps.

During the racing, M. Santos Dumont, in his airship No. 9, appeared over the course and went through a variety of manoeuvres, which evoked great enthusiasm from the crowd. The passage of two other balloons over the Longchamps race course at the same time added to the originality of the scene. M. Santos Dumont finally descending unaided in the center of the course, where a great ovation was given him.

He then re-ascended and after executing a second series of manoeuvres sailed away in the direction of Bagatelle. A curious incident during the presence of the Santos Dumont No. 9, was the winning of races by horses numbered 9 on the racing card.

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JONES MURDER TRIAL

Continuance Not Decided Upon. Affidavits Submitted.

Wilson, June 16.—At the opening of court this morning at 9:30 affidavits were filed by the defense declaring that they were not ready for trial, and that because of a state of inflamed public opinion a fair trial cannot be had in Wilson county.

Three of the defendants, J. B. Piver, John Allen and W. W. Barnes were not present and the plea of absent on account of sickness was made for them. Solicitor C. C. Daniels, of this place, Mr. Frank Sprull, of Louisburg, and Mr. J. R. Uzzell represented the State. The defendants are represented by Messrs. Poirer and Finch, Fred A. Woodard, John E. Woodard, S. A. Woodard, Connor & Connor, S. G. Newsome, W. T. Farmer and E. C. Barnhill.

Judge Shaw told the lawyers at the outset that only two questions would weigh with him in deciding the matter—whether defendants have had time to prepare their case, and whether public sentiment is such that defendants can obtain a fair trial at this term of court.

The petitions and affidavits for defendants were signed by about 200 men in the town of Wilson and various sections of the county to the effect that defendants cannot at this time obtain a fair trial because of the feeling against them.

The State offered counter affidavits setting forth that a fair trial might be had, and the solicitor pointed out that many of the defendant's affidavits were their bondsmen or relatives, or close business associates.

A few minutes before 6 o'clock Judge Shaw folded up all the affidavits and said he would take the matter under consideration and make up his mind.

Wilcox in a Cell.

Raleigh, June 16.—James Wilcox, the convicted murderer of Nell Crosey, of Elizabeth City, is now in cell No. 13,994 in the penitentiary. He arrived at 4 o'clock this morning and was assigned to a cell until six, when he had his hair cropped, was shaved, and donned convict stripes.

After breakfast he was sent to work in the brick-yard, spending the day engaged in light work, sitting sand on bricks and carrying wood to the kiln. Superintendent Mann says owing to his long and close confinement Wilcox can't be given hard work for some time yet.

He had nothing to say. He asked for a morning paper at the prison, and read the report of his conduct when he started for Raleigh, without comment.

His clothes were in tatters and his shoes slashed with a knife. The sheriff first planned to spend the night in Norfolk, but became fearful of possible trouble with the prisoner out of the State.

The Ship's Steward.

A steward is nothing more or less than a combination waiter and chambermaid. His duties begin an hour before breakfast, by all rights, inasmuch as it should take him that time to brush up his blue or black uniform, shave, make his hands neat and shine his shoes. He is supposed to wear a spotless and expansive bosom to his shirt, clean collar and black or white tie. I do not think I ever saw but two stewards who had shirts; all the others used a dickey for the sake of economy.

Waiting on the passengers at table, the care of the tables, the care of the silverware and a certain amount of dishwashing and pantry work make up the steward's dining room duties. The other half is work in the staterooms, making the beds, straightening up the rooms and doing the general work of a chambermaid, as well as giving a certain amount of attendance to the occupants of the rooms.

The pay is very poor, and the principal dependence of the steward is on the tips he receives. They are really the poorest paid class that go to sea in one way, and yet I have known men to make £40 in tips on a six weeks' voyage.—Leslie's Monthly.

What He Lost.

Shakespeare was reading the latest news.

"Here's a fellow getting \$1 a word!" he exclaimed.

"Too bad!" returned Johnson. "Just think of what I'd have got at that rate."

Determined to have the last word any way, he turned to his dictionary.—Judge.

In the Still Night.

"What is it?" the druggist sleepily inquired from his bedroom window.

"This fish drug store, ain't it?" asked the man who had rung the night bell.

"Yes. What do you want?"

"Want to look in your city directory minute an' see where I live."—Philadelphia Ledger.

Prejudice.

Judge—Do you solemnly swear to tell the truth, the whole truth and nothing but the truth?

Witness—I do.

Judge—What is your occupation?

Witness—I was employed in the weather bureau.

Judge—You are excused.—Philadelphia Telegraph.

You thirsty ones, go to the fountain and drink Pepsi-Cola and see how refreshing, invigorating and delicious it is. If you have not tried it you have missed a treat. Go get a glass for 25 cts.

NORTH STATE NEWS

Clipped and Called From Our North Carolina Exchanges.

ODD AND INTERESTING HAPPENINGS

Gossip Gathered from Murphy The Manteo of Importance to Our Tassel Readers.

Engineer Haley, who was injured in the wreck on the Southern near Durham, Thursday morning, died as a result of his wounds at the home for the sick in Danville, Saturday afternoon, at 4 o'clock.

Chairman McNeill, of the Corporation Commission says railway construction in this State this year was greater than it has been at any time in recent years. Work has been in progress on seven or eight roads.

Jesse Williams, a boy about fourteen years of age, was seriously, perhaps fatally shot Monday near Concord by the accidental discharge of a gun in the hands of his companion, Carl Sherrill, aged about 15 years.

J. W. Harrell was given a verdict for \$140 against the Western Union telegraph company Saturday morning in Greensboro for their failure to deliver to him a message informing him of the death of his mother. He sued for a much larger amount.

Hillsboro Observer: The town commissioners having refused to grant license to retail spirituous liquors in Hillsboro after the 30th day of June, the date of the expiration of the present liquor license, the town will be dry from that time, and for the first time in the history of the town.

A little child of Mr. and Mrs. M. F. Godfrey, who lives near Mooresville, was badly burned Saturday. Mr. Godfrey had been burning some brush near the house, and after the flames had died down and only ashes seemed to remain the little child attempted to walk through the live embers. Its feet were very badly burned.

Saturday a negro, Joe Sargeant, on the county road convict force, in Durham, was shot and probably fatally wounded by accident. After work the prisoners were being taken back to town when a guard, stumbled and fell. His gun discharged and 15 buck shot took effect in the body of Sargeant. He was taken to the central prison, and while he still lives it is not thought he can recover.

When Mr. E. T. Rollins, business manager and half owner of the Herald, went down to the office Monday morning he found that the office cash drawer had been robbed the night before. He was in the office during the night and left the safe on the day lock. The next morning he found the small cash gone and the regular night combination on the safe. The intruder got away with about \$20 or \$35 in money, leaving all checks and papers.

John W. Simpson, the Democratic registrar from Rutherford county, was indicted for refusing to allow Rev. J. L. Black, a colored clergyman, to register, resulted in mistrial in the U. S. district court at Charlotte, Saturday. The jury remained out 18 hours and is said to have voted 9 for conviction and three for acquittal. Political lines were in evidence as the 9 who favored conviction were Republicans, and those in favor of acquittal were Democrats.

Greensboro Telegram: Guilford Division of the order of railway conductors was organized here Sunday with the election of the following officers: Chief conductor, W. S. Witherspoon; assistant chief, F. E. Stockton; secretary and treasurer, C. B. Guthrie; senior conductor, J. H. Gilliland; junior conductor, M. M. Murchison; inside sentinel, A. R. Pleasant; outside sentinel, W. D. Lane; trustees, J. A. McLaughlin, J. W. Angel and E. S. Hollen. Meetings will be held every second and fourth Sunday in Greensboro.

Fayetteville Observer: An enormous coachwhip was killed in Mr. Armfield's residence on Haymont Saturday afternoon. Mrs. Armfield went to answer the phone, when she saw an enormous snake come hissing in the front door. She called the servant and they shot at the ugly intruder a number of times, but failed to hit him. Some one then secured a hoe and the reptile was soon disposed of. It measured six feet and a few inches. Two days before its mate was killed at Mrs. Morrow's several blocks further up the hill.

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