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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.

Galveston, Tex., Aug. 25.—The Texas section of the weather bureau has issued a map showing the boll weevil district of the Texas cotton belt. Eighty-one counties are included, and it is stated that "the pest is doing great damage wherever present."

Marysville, Kan., Aug. 25.—A cloud-burst struck this vicinity today, causing the Big Blue river to rise 16 feet within a few hours, and sending a great flood of water south down the bottoms along that stream. Many inhabitants in the lowlands were driven from their homes and heavy damage to property was done. One death by drowning is reported.

Washington, Aug. 25.—Bids were opened today at the Bureau of Insular Affairs, war department, for the purchase of \$3,000,000 certificates of indebtedness for the Philippine government. Harvey Fisk & Sons, of New York, bid for all or any amount at 102.2. This was the only bid for the whole amount, and it was accepted. Among the other bidders was L. W. Wise, of Richmond, Va., for \$6,000 at 100.25.

Columbus, O., Aug. 25.—The preliminary meetings this afternoon and this evening of the Democratic state convention resulted in favor of Mayor Tom L. Johnson, of Cleveland, in his contest with John L. Zimmerman, of Springfield, for the gubernatorial nomination. The state central committee which was selected at Sandusky last year, met today and passed upon contests affecting 145 of the 890 delegates in favor of the Johnson contestants.

New York, Aug. 25.—A terrible northwest wind and electric storm struck Sandy Hook shortly after 5 o'clock today and Shamrock III and I, Reliance and a fleet of a half a dozen fine yachts, including the Erin, C. Oliver Iselin's Sunbeam, and the Herschoffs' Rosamer, were in great danger for a time. The yacht Eureka, breaking from her anchorage, was blown violently against a coal scow and carried the scow before it. It seemed for a time that the boats would crash into Shamrock II, which lay almost in the path of the gale, not 100 yards away.

New York, Aug. 25.—The first serious accident which has marked the nightly race home of the steamships fleet from the racing course took place tonight in the collision of J. P. Morgan's yacht Corsair with the fast Sandy Hook steamer Monmouth, under charter by the New York Yacht Club, and filled with members and their friends. The Corsair struck the Monmouth a glancing blow on the starboard side, breaking stanchions and awnings support and smashing woodwork and glass. The Corsair fell astern carrying a part of a twisted iron support on her bowsprit, but not appearing to be disabled.

New York, Aug. 25.—After the race Sir Thomas Lipton said: "You have all seen the results and the only thing I can say is, that we did better today than in the last race, which is hopeful. I figure my defeat at a little over one minute. If I make as much progress in the next race as I did in this over the last, I will be a good bit ahead in the finish of the third race. It is hard to admit it, but the best boat was. Perhaps with more wind at the finish the result might have been different. But I don't want to throw any cold water on the victory. It is hard to win every race in such a series and I hope our turn will come next."

## Tobacco is Low Meat is High

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## Laura Keene's Dream.

A Vision in Slumber That Was Turned into a Reality.

Stuart Robson used to tell a strange story of Laura Keene, with whom he played in the sixties in the last century. "The sight of a bottle of red ink was enough to upset her for a week," he said. "On one occasion we were playing a farce called 'The Lady and the Devil.' An important scene of it was when she was sitting at a table, preparatory to writing a letter. I, as her servant, stood at the back of a chair. 'Take your right hand off that chair,' she whispered. The stage dialogue proceeded. 'You are sure you can find Don Rafael at his lodgings?' 'Yes, madam; his servant tells me his wounds will confine him to his bed for a week.' 'Is this the only paper that we have? Where is the ink?' 'Here, madam.' And I bent forward to place the ink within her reach, when, in my confusion at her reproof, the vessel was upset and its contents trickled on to the lap of her satin dress. The ink was blood red. I shall never forget the ghastly look that overspread her face, and I was so frightened that I never knew how the scene ended.

"The next morning at rehearsal she told me I was doomed to ill luck for the remainder of my days. She called the company together and gave them a detailed description of the 'awful scene' the night before occasioned by the young man who would never make an actor. She told of a terrible dream she had had in which some great person had been foully murdered before her eyes; how she had attempted rescue without avail; how he had fallen dead at her feet, and how his blood slowly oozed into her lap. It was two years after this that Miss Keene was playing at Ford's theater, Washington, on the occasion when Abraham Lincoln was shot. Miss Keene was the only person who seemed to realize the situation. She ran to the box, and in a moment the head of the dying man was in her lap, while the scene of her dream was being pitifully enacted."

**The Marine Engine Is Alive.**  
All good old chiefs love their engines and come to believe in them. To all of us assistants and 'prentices they were not the mere machines that they appear to the outsider, but quite human. Every noise they made, every motion, every trick they had we knew and had the reason for it. Kipling speaks of the marine engine as the most sensitive thing man ever invented. There's a sort of cold, lifeless, though admirable, precision in a telescope and a fine regard for details in a phonograph, but the marine engine is alive; it strains and labors desperately, it groans with rheumatism in its joints, screams with the pain of tight bearings, staggers and plunges against the oncoming seas, gets out of breath and runs away with itself, trembling like a frightened horse.—Benjamin Brooks in Scribner's.

**Glaring Synchrony.**  
Uncle Absalom Ashby was much given to retelling old and hackneyed jokes. An acquaintance of his, thinking to cure him of his practice, one day gave him a copy of "Joe Miller's Jest Book," with the remark that he "might find something new in it."

The next time he met the old gentleman he asked him, "Well, uncle, what do you think of that book I gave you the other day?"

"I don't know who that 'ere Joe Miller is," indignantly responded Uncle Absalom. "but I do know he's a thief. He's got hold of a lot of my best stories and printed 'em, consarn him!"

**The Genes.**  
We are not in favor of pensioning genes. If this is done, it will mean a deathblow to the newspapers, for all the newspaper men will quit work and live on their pensions.—Atlanta Journal.

**What He Thought.**  
Tom—Do you think your cousin Julia would marry me if I asked her?  
Jack—Well, I have always considered her a sensible sort of girl; still, she might.—Chicago News.

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## DAMES AND DAUGHTERS.

Mrs. Mary E. Ryle has given \$22,000 to the new library fund at Parsons, N. J.

Miss Gwendoline Stewart of California is lecturing in London on American ways of housekeeping.

Mrs. William T. Sampson, widow of Rear Admiral W. T. Sampson, with her son Harold, has sailed for Germany, where she will remain for some time.

Mrs. Eliza B. Burnz, a pioneer among those advocating spelling reform and the creator of the Burnz system of stenography, has just died at Walter's Park, Pa.

Miss Marion Somers West, the highest salaried woman employee of the District of Columbia government and for sixteen years in the engineer department, has just died at Washington.

Miss Helen E. Snow of Chicago will pay for replacing the large reflecting telescope that was destroyed by fire at the Yerkes observatory last winter. She does this as a memorial to her father, George W. Snow.

The Princess Brancaccio, who was a Miss Flood of New York city, has been entertaining the dowager Queen Margherita of Italy at her magnificent home near Rome. The American princess and the dowager queen are on terms of intimacy.

Ida Primhoff, a twelve-year-old Russian girl, wrote "The Song of New York," which was indorsed by the history club to be sung by New York school children to celebrate the two hundred and fiftieth anniversary of the founding of the city.

Mrs. Frances A. Joseph, a colored woman of culture and refinement, is prominent in the growing movement for educating and elevating her race. She is founder of the colored industrial school at New Orleans which was opened a year ago and works along the same lines as the Tuskegee institute.

**Some Facts About Kid Gloves.**  
Of course the women think that kid gloves are made out of the tanned skin of kids. Manufacturers have their secrets, and three or four names suffice to designate all finished gloves, yet those who know say that if all the animals which contribute skins could be reincarnated it would be the most remarkable menagerie ever exhibited, and few known animals would be missing. Even the water has been searched and an attempt made to use sealskins from Buenos Ayres, sheepskins from the Cape of Good Hope, ox hides from Calcutta, antelope skins from the Rocky mountains and Mocha sheepskins from Aden, on the Red sea, are perhaps the staples, but moose, musk ox, llama, kangaroo, peccary, water hog and many others lose their identity when they reach the glove.

**Saved by a Joke.**  
Students of Edinburgh university who could not spell fell on evil days when Professor Traill, editor of a former edition of the Encyclopedia Britannica was an examiner.

According to Professor Knight's "Recollections," Professor Traill one day objected to a candidate for graduation, who was a native of Ceylon, on the ground of false spelling.

"Why, he actually spelled exceed with one 'e'!" said he.

"Well," instantly replied Professor Henderson, who filled the chair of pathology in the university, "you should remember that he comes from the land of the Singal-ese."

**Too Much For the Distance.**  
Racing men tell a story concerning an overzealous horse owner and a particularly conscientious rider. The horse owner had issued full orders as to the way a horse was to be ridden in a coming race to a small negro boy, the only rider he could secure. The original orders then were added to, with provisions for all sorts of emergencies, until the jockey became bewildered.

"Look yere, boss," the boy broke in at last. "Dis yere race is only one mile. I kain't do all you done told me in just one mile."

**The Easy Route.**  
The old squire lay dying, and his faithful coachman was summoned to the bedside. "Well, John," said the old squire, "I'm going now on a longer journey than ever you could drive me."

"Never mind, squire; never mind," cried the servant in a broken voice. "I'll be downhill all the way."—London Globe.

**Not Over-Whip.**  
There is an old allegorical picture of a girl scoured at a grass-hopper, but in the act of heedlessly treading on a snake. This is paralleled by the man who spends a large sum of money building a cyclone cellar, but neglects to provide his family with a bottle of Chamberlain's Colic, Cholera and Diarrhoea Remedy as a safeguard against bowel complaints, whose victims outnumber those of cyclones a hundred to one. This remedy is everywhere recognized as the most prompt and reliable medicine in use for these diseases. For sale by J. E. Hood & Co.

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## WINTERVILLE ITEMS.

August 26, 1903.  
Mrs. Bettie Britt has gone north to purchase millinery goods.

Miss Maynie Ives returned to her home at Grifton, last Monday evening. Misses Pearl Nelson, of Grifton, and Annie McGlohon, of Reinston, were in town Saturday.

Mr. A. J. Fields, secretary Democratic state executive committee, spent Sunday in Winterville.

Rev. C. W. Blanchard filled his regular appointment at the Baptist church here Saturday and Sunday.

Miss Hattie Kittrell, who has been visiting Miss Lydia Roberson, of Gold Point, returned home Monday night.

Miss Stella West who has been visiting for a couple of weeks among her people at Wilson, returned Monday evening.

We are glad to say that Prof. Nye is rapidly improving, having been able to walk over to A. G. Cox's yesterday and spend the day.

We learn that Miss Annie L. Staley, of Staley, N. C., a teacher in the Winterville High School here last year, is married to Dr. Fox, of Franklinsville.

Hunsucker Buggies seem to be favored with the preachers and doctors. It really looks like what is good enough for them ought to do for the rest of us.

Monday night Mr. A. G. Cox, Prof. G. E. Lineberry, Mr. J. B. Carroll and others went to Kinston to attend a meeting of the trustees of Winterville High School.

Messrs. G. R. Dixon and Elbert Smith are improving in turning Back Band Rollers for A. G. Cox Mfg Co., having turned over 900 each the last day. Mr. Dixon was a few ahead.

Leonard Hamilton left Tuesday afternoon on a visit to Grangers. Leonard has been clerking for J. R. Johnson for some time, but has thought proper to give up his place for awhile to attend the Winterville High School.

The reason why A. G. Cox Manufacturing Co. has so much to say about Wire Fence is that the farmer is always needing wire fence, somebody is all the time buying wire fence, and they are always selling wire fence. Those who have tried elsewhere say it is the best and cheapest.

A. G. Cox Mfg Co. have been having such a rush of orders for both single and double wagons every fall and spring that they have deemed it expedient to make larger preparations than ever this season. The large building where wire fence, tobacco hoses, etc., are made has been cleaned up and already several wagons are set up ready for delivery.

**Stockholders' Meeting.**  
The 49th annual meeting of the stockholders of the Atlantic & North Carolina Railroad Company will be held at Newbern, N. C., Thursday September 25th, 1903 at 12 o'clock.

**Easter in Russia.**  
Easter in Russia is the greatest festival of the year. Russian Christmas presents are as nothing compared to those given at Easter. Eggs are of course the principal feature, and not till one has seen the Easter bazaar in the Gostinof Door and the shops on the Nevsky Prospect is it easy to imagine the beauty and daintiness of Easter productions. Fortunes in trinkets, laces and jewels are spent on the contents of the eggs.

A very pretty egg is made of pink veined marble rimmed with gold. Small ivory eggs filled with silver rosy beads make a lovely offering for the devout church woman, and for the practical housewife a little rush basket full of fresh eggs is wonderfully attractive.

**A Voracious Monster.**  
The most voracious of all marine beasts of prey is the orca or killer whale. It reaches a length of twenty-five feet, and its jaws bristle with teeth from four to six inches long and as sharp as a dirk knife. Its digestive power is proportioned to the tremendous efficacy of its jaws. It seems also to be an atrocious glutton, as one specimen examined, contained in its stomach thirteen porpoises and fourteen seals.

**His Reason.**  
"What reason have you for thinking that the defendant was intoxicated?"  
"Well, your honor, when his wife called me over I found him in the cellar cutting kindling wood with the lawn mower."—Cleveland Plain Dealer.

**Rather Dense.**  
Wigg—He's rather dense, isn't he?  
Wagg—Yes. He wouldn't recognize the point of a joke if he sat down on it.—Philadelphia Record.

Keep doing, always doing. Washing, dreaming, intending, murmuring, talking, signing and repining are all idle and profitless employments.

**Dysentery Cured Without the Aid of a Doctor.**  
"I am just up from a hard spell of the flux" (dysentery) says Mr. T. A. Pinner, a well known merchant of Drummond, Tenn. "I used one small bottle of Chamberlain's Colic, Cholera and Diarrhoea Remedy and was cured without having a doctor. I consider it the best cholera medicine in the world." There is no need of employing a doctor when this remedy is used, for no doctor can prescribe a better medicine for bowel complaint in any form either for children or adults. It never fails and is pleasant to take. For sale by J. E. Hood & Co.

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## VALUABLE LECTURES

At the Teachers' Institute. Interest in the Proceedings Lively.

Reported for THE FREE PRESS.

The afternoon session was used in discussing the various items of interest connected with the general subject of school management.

Talks were made by Prof. Barwick. His topics were "Mutual Respect between Teacher and Pupils." "Authority of teacher should be felt, not publicly stated in words. No threats. Let your actions in school room be free, easy and orderly. Greet heartily the school children whenever met."

Dr. Lewis followed, with more illustrative cases of discipline. Advised the teachers that they do not tack up a code of laws of the school—have only one rule, "Do right." That when administering rebukes, do it in a very mild and quiet manner.

Prof. Mangum spoke earnestly on the necessity of obedience. Spoke of the widespread disobedience of children to their parents. Quoted the words of a prominent Englishman who mentioned this as a common thing in the United States and, unless discontinued, presaged the destruction of the government.

Devotional exercises conducted by Rev. Mr. Hall. Prof. Mangum gave the first lecture—continuing the subject, "The Teaching of Geography."

The Prof. candidly stated that he was not bound by all the teachings of the books on his subject—and fearlessly adopted any truth that presented itself.

Referring to a map of the world spread on a blackboard in view of the teachers, he called attention to the geographical fact that the country that had the most irregular coast line, always surpassed those with a straight line coast—clearly showing why this was and must be always thus.

The lecture was an exceedingly interesting one, and the reporter regrets that want of space in the columns of the FREE PRESS prevents an extended report.

Dr. Lewis followed with some remarks on grammar, including "subjects," "predicates," "modifiers," etc.

After a recess of ten minutes, Prof. Mangum gave a talk on best methods of teaching multiplication.

At the same hour, as yesterday, Prof. Barwick was addressing the other half of the teachers in the grand jury room.

Dr. Lewis then gave a lecture on methods of teaching the functions of the human heart. Spoke of the arteries, capillaries and veins, their structure and uses.

The following teachers are in attendance: Mrs. Ida Albritton, Misses Mae Braxton, Jessie Bryan, Mary Brown, Jennie Barwick, Maud Erskine, Mary W. Edwards, Lillian Fordham, Lucy Hodges, Mary Hodges, Ruth Howard, Margaret Herring, Cora Jones, Alice Jackson, Katharine Jackson, Susie Kilpatrick, Margaret Laughinghouse, Nannie Lewis, Dora Miller, Eliza Moore, Hattie Moseley, Eva Moseley, Fannie Moseley, Mattie F. Noble, Mrs. Y. T. Ormond, Misses Mary Parrott, Susie Pittman, Nonie Sutton, Ruth Sutton, Lena Spain, Myrtle Taylor, Rosa Taylor, Myrtle Whitaker, Mrs. George B. Webb, Misses Marie Weyer and Melissa May, of Kinston.

Misses Lillie Bryan, Maud Dawson, Ava Gray, Institute, Dixie Lee Caldwell, Mattie Caldwell, of Goldsboro; Carrie Harty, Strabane; Mamie Kinsey, Cadez; Annie King, of Trenton; Mabel Kennedy, Bessie Kennedy, Ella Newborn, Florence Sutton, Annie A. Waters, of LaGrange; Ada Maxwell, of Resaca; Mrs. Lem J. Potter, of Outlaw's Bridge; Mr. Philip Stroud, of Woodington; Misses Margaret Smith, of Hugo; Nannie Taylor, of Grifton; Mattie E. Winfield, Chocowinity.

**Drummers to Take Action Against Hamlet Hostelry.**  
News and Observer.

Charlotte, N. C., Aug. 26.—The commercial travelers are arranging to take official notice of the action of the Hamlet hotel that served breakfast to Booker Washington and a number of other negroes Sunday morning to the exclusion of white guests. They resent the action of the proprietors of the hotel in permitting the negroes to eat in the dining room while white persons were offered improvised tables in the reading room.

Mr. B. H. Marsh, a well known traveling man and secretary of the North Carolina division of the Travelers' Protective Association of America, spent the day in the city and informed your correspondent that a special meeting of his association would be called at once to take suitable action.

**Not Roosevelt.**  
Norfolk, Va., 25.—Col. Browning of Pocahontas, one of the wealthiest coal operators in the state and anti-organization Republican, says Roosevelt will not be the Republican nominee for the presidency. If he should be Browning says he will vote for the Democratic nominee should the latter be Gorman.

**A Liberal Offer.**  
The undersigned will give a free sample of Chamberlain's Stomach and Liver Tablets to any one wanting a reliable remedy for disorders of the stomach, biliousness or constipation. This is a new remedy and a good one. J. E. Hood & Co.

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## NORTH STATE NEWS

Clipped and Colled From Our North Carolina Exchanges.

### ODD AND INTERESTING HAPPENINGS

Gossip Gathered from Murphy To Manteo of Importance to Our Tar Heel Readers.

The enrollment of white children for the 79 counties reported is 229,600. These same counties reported enrolled last year 207,955 children; an increase for these counties of 21,705 children for the past year.

The southern Railway Tuesday paid to the treasurer of North Carolina \$64,804.15, the amount of its tax for State purposes and pensions for the year 1903. This is the first payment to the treasurer of taxes under the 1903 assessment.

The Charlotte Duck Clothing company, the only factory of its kind in the south, will begin operations this week. The concern will manufacture gun cases and coats, leggins, shell belts and articles usually made of duck. It will employ several hundred boys and girls.

Raleigh Correspondent: It is now certain that South Carolina and Virginia will co-operate with this State in the effort to fight the tobacco trust. It is not yet known whether there will be co-operation in the efforts to get the federal government to attack this trust in the courts.

An unknown negro assaulted the daughter of Abazi Deal, a respectable farmer near Newton Tuesday morning. The attempt was unsuccessful and the girl escaped from his clutches. The negro's intent is unknown. A large posse is in search of him, and considerable excitement prevails.

Asheville, Aug. 25.—A freight wreck occurred this morning on the Asheville and Spartanburg division of the Southern Railway, at Fletcher's. The wreck was a complete as any that has occurred on this line during recent months, but there were no fatalities. There were, however, some remarkable escapes from death or serious injury. The engine and a score of cars left the rails, half a dozen cars and the engine turned completely over.

Harry Leach, the professional hotel thief, was Tuesday morning at Greeshboro sentenced by Judge Brown to one year's imprisonment. He was found guilty of stealing articles of wearing apparel from J. A. Tucker, chief clerk at the McAdoo House, on August 5th. In Leach's baggage were found various articles which were claimed by several people who were guests at the McAdoo and other hotels where he had been a guest. There were nine cases in all against him. He pleaded guilty in all except the one tried Monday afternoon and judgment was suspended in each. Young Leach is of good family, being the son of a well-known physician and the grandson of a former congressman from Virginia. He is a neat looking, well dressed young man and would never be taken for a criminal.

**Knocked From the Stand.**  
Little Rock, Ark., Aug. 26.—Judge Carroll L. Wood, of the Arkansas supreme court, who is opposing Governor Davis as a candidate for a third term, knocked Governor Davis off a speaking stand, four feet, to the ground, during the campaign at Blamark yesterday.

Governor Davis was not hurt, and his friends prevented further trouble. Judge Wood was immediately arrested on charge of assault and battery. Governor Davis publicly asked Judge Wood questions and before they could be fully answered, interrupted with more questions, which so angered Judge Wood that he knocked Governor Davis from the platform. Later the matter was adjusted and Judge Wood returned to Little Rock today.

**The Teachers' Interstate Examination Course.**  
Teachers wishing to prepare for examinations should write, at once, to PROF. J. L. GRAHAM, LL. D., Randolph Building, Memphis, Tenn., for particulars concerning his special Teachers' Examination Course.

This course is taught by mail, and prepares Teachers for examination in every state in the Union. Leading educators pronounce it the best course ever offered to the Teaching profession, and all Teachers wishing to advance in their profession should immediately avail themselves of it. Enclose stamp for reply.

**Letter to Temple-Marston Drug Co.**  
Kinston, N. C.  
Dear Sirs: Shuffert Hardware Co., Hickory, N. C., bought a car-load of paint; after selling it a few months, found out it measured seven pints a gallon.

Returned it to the maker and credited customers with what they had lost from short measure.

What do you think of a short-measure paint? Don't you think it half whitewash? Half the paint is part whitewash.

Go by the name: Devco lead-and-zinc. No whitening or clay in that; full-measure besides. A gallon is worth two of whitewash paint.

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