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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.

Wichita, Kan., Oct. 3.—Davis Nation, divorced husband of Mrs. Carrie Nation, died this afternoon at medicine lodge.

Buffalo, N. Y., Oct. 3.—Mrs. Jefferson Davis is rapidly recovering from her illness. Her physicians believe she will be able to leave for her winter home, in New York, next week.

Van Wert, Ohio, Oct.—Senator Hanna, in his speech here today, made no criticism of Tom Johnson's circus-tent tactics, for the senator, Col. Herrick, and Senator Harding all spoke in a circus tent.

Washington, Oct. 2.—It is very probable that the opposition to the continuance of Senator Smoot as a member of the senate on account of his connection with the Mormon church will not prevail, and that the question will be disposed of at an early day by the committee on privileges and elections.

Lincoln, Neb., Oct. 3.—The marriage of Miss Ruth Baird Bryan and William Homer Leavitt, of Newport, R. I. was solemnized at 8 o'clock tonight at Fairview, the country home of William Jennings Bryan. The chancellor of the Nebraska Wesleyan University, Dr. Huntington, an old time friend of the Bryan family, was the officiating clergyman.

Valdosta, Ga., Oct. 2.—For ten hours today Blanche Smith, a woman convict, was chased by bloodhounds. The woman succeeded in eluding the savage dogs until nearly nightfall, when she was forced to climb a tree to escape being torn to pieces. The guards found her sitting in a fork of the tree, exhausted, while the bloodhounds were baying below.

London, Oct. 3.—"Every other nation and all our own self-governing colonies have refused to accept the gospel of Cobden; and yet although they ought according to its dogmas to be in the last stage of depression and decline, they have grown during the last twenty years in wealth, population and trade and in everything that goes to make up the greatness of a nation." That is the keynote of Joseph Chamberlain's manifesto which will be published October in the form of a preface to a shilling pamphlet by C. A. Nines, secretary to Mr. Chamberlain's tariff organization.

A Cure for Dyspepsia.

I had Dyspepsia in its worst form and felt miserable most all the time. Did not enjoy eating until after I used Kodol Dyspepsia Cure which has completely cured me.—Mrs. W. W. Saylor, Hilliard, Pa. No appetite, loss of strength, nervousness, headache, constipation, bad breath, sour risings, indigestion, dyspepsia, and all stomach troubles are quickly cured by the use of Kodol. Kodol represents the natural juices of digestion combined with the greatest known tonic and reconstructive properties. It cleanses, purifies and sweetens the stomach. Sold by J. E. Hood & Co.

CURES CATARRH.

"Hyomel the Most Wonderful Cure for Catarrh Ever Discovered" Says J. E. Hood & Co.

Do not try to cure catarrh by taking drugs into the stomach; it cannot be cured in that manner. The only way in which this too common disease can be cured is through a direct application that will kill the bacilli of catarrh and prevent their growth.

Hyomel is the only known method of treatment that accomplishes this. It is the simplest, most pleasant, and the only absolute cure for catarrh that has ever been discovered.

Thousands of unsolicited testimonials have been received from the most prominent men and women in this country who have been cured by this remarkable remedy. Ministers, bankers, lawyers, even eminent physicians have sent strong testimonials as to the remarkable powers of Hyomel to cure catarrh.

The complete Hyomel outfit costs but \$1.00, consisting of an inhaler, dropper and sufficient Hyomel to last some weeks. This will affect a cure in ordinary cases, but for chronic and deep-seated cases of catarrh, longer use is necessary, and then extra bottles of Hyomel can be obtained for 50c. It is not alone the best (it might be called the only) method of curing catarrh, but it is also the most economical.

J. E. Hood & Co. have so much confidence in the power of Hyomel to cure catarrh, that they will for a limited time sell this medicine under their personal guarantee to refund the money if the purchasers can say that it did not help them.

A STALLION FIGHT.

Battle Royal Between a Thoroughbred and a Wild Buckskin.

A contest between two stallions, one the leader of a wild band, the other a Kentucky thoroughbred that had run wild, is thus described by Sewell Ford in "Horse News":

Again the buckskin stallion charged, ears back, eyes gleaming wickedly and snorting defiantly. This time the black stood his ground until the buckskin's teeth snapped savagely within a few inches of his throat. Just in time did he rear and swerve. Twice more—the paddock raised black was slow to understand such behavior—the buckskin charged. Then the black was roused into aggressiveness.

There ensued such a battle as would have brought delight to the brute soul of a Nero. With fore feet and teeth the two stallions engaged, circling madly about on their hind legs, tearing up great clods of turf, biting and striking as opportunity offered. At last, by a quick, desperate rush, the buckskin caught the thoroughbred fairly by the throat. Here the affair would have ended had not the black stallion, rearing suddenly on his muscle ridged haunches and lifting his opponent's fore quarters clear of the ground, showered on his enemy such a rain of blows from his iron shod feet that the wild buckskin dropped to the ground, dazed and vanquished.

Standing over him, with all the fierce pride of a victorious gladiator showing in every curve of his gleaming body, the black thoroughbred trumpeted out a stentorian call of defiance and command. The band that had watched the struggle from a discreet distance now came galloping in, whinnying in friendly fashion.

Black Eagle had won his first fight. He had won the leadership. By right of might he was now chief of this free company of plains rangers. It was for him to lead whither he chose, to pick the place and hour of grazing, the time for watering and his to guard his companions from all dangers.

As for the buckskin stallion, there remained for him the choice of humbly following the new leader or of limping off alone to try to raise a new band. Being a worthy descendant of the chargers which the men of Cortes rode so fearlessly into the wilds of the new world, he chose the latter course and, having regained his senses, galloped stiffly toward the north, his bruised head lowered in defeat.

Length of Life Is Increasing.

The average length of human life is constantly and steadily increasing, having, according to a professor of hygiene, doubled within the past three centuries. In the sixteenth century it was between eighteen and twenty years, while today it is forty. The principal agencies in this prolongation of life, the scientist believes, are more attention to the air we breathe and more care as to the water we drink. This opinion is sustained by the statistics of large cities, which show that, owing to improved sanitation, the introduction of sewers and of public water supplies, their rates of mortality within the past forty years have been reduced to about one-half. Do you want to prolong your life and increase your powers? Then breathe deeply and drink plenty of pure water between, not at, meals—not iced water or boiled water, but distilled water.—Success.

The Soldier's Last March.

Why is it that the most solemn service ever devised by man, the stately march of the vast cathedral, the imposing robes, the stained glass windows, the pealing organ, all fade into insignificance beside that soul stirring, simple act—the trumpeting out of "taps" over the body of a dead soldier? No man who has ever heard it, either on the field of battle, at the quiet army post or in the haven of these weak and shattered units of the Grand Army of the Republic, ever forgets it. For the bugle notes seem to take into their own arms embracing cadence the tears, the memories, the shattered hopes and the long farewell.—John R. Rathoun in Scribner's.

Saw His Finish.

"Are you preparing to die?" asked the elderly female of the condemned prisoner.

"No, ma'am, I ain't," replied the victim of circumstances. "But the feller in the next cell can stand a lot of talk. You might call on him."—Chicago News.

The Salve That Heals

without leaving a scar is DeWitt's. The name Witch Hazel is applied to many salves, but DeWitt's Witch Hazel Salve is the only Witch Hazel Salve made that contains the pure unadulterated witch hazel. If any other Witch Hazel Salve is offered you it is a counterfeit. E. C. DeWitt invented Witch Hazel Salve and DeWitt's Witch Hazel Salve is the best salve in the world for cuts, burns, bruises, lacerations, or blind, bleeding, itching and protruding piles. Sold by J. E. Hood & Co.

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HAYWOOD & TILLMAN

These Two Trials Are Now Engaging Public Attention

THE STATE RESTS IN HAYWOOD CASE

The Tillman Trial a Week Old and the State Has Not Yet Finished With Its Side of Case.

News and Observer, 4th.

The most interesting, as well as a very material fact, in the Haywood case, was developed yesterday morning while the last witness for the State, Mr. Jones Fuller, of Durham, was on the stand. It is that Miss Mattie Pace, of this city, witnessed all that took place between Ernest Haywood and Ludlow Skinner on that fatal afternoon of the 21st of February, in front of the postoffice, says she saw an angry conversation, a blow struck by Skinner, and Haywood fire twice.

Miss Pace was at the window on the third floor of the Yarbrough House, over the main entrance, conversing with Mr. Fuller, who was a step or two back from the window. She told Mr. Fuller she saw Ernest Haywood and Ludlow Skinner standing close to the bottom of the southern steps of the postoffice, engaged in what seemed to be a very heated conversation. Mr. Haywood was apparently impressing something upon Mr. Skinner, for he was tapping him on the breast with his forefinger as though emphasizing his remarks. In a minute Skinner struck Haywood on the chin, as she thought, and she exclaimed: "There's a fight," or "There's going to be a fight," or "There are two men quarreling," or something to that effect, and in a second, "He's going to shoot him." This brought Mr. Fuller to the window, and as he looked he saw Mr. Haywood fire the first shot at Mr. Skinner, who was leaving Mr. Haywood, with his back toward him, as it seemed to Mr. Fuller. Then Mr. Skinner turned and went diagonally northeast and Mr. Haywood fired again. Mr. Skinner then threw both hands to his left side, circled and fell over the car track. This is in substance what Miss Pace and Mr. Fuller saw, as stated yesterday on the stand by Mr. Fuller, the part about Miss Pace while under cross examination.

Miss Pace has not been summoned by the prosecution, for the reason that Mr. Fuller, when he gave his statement to the attorneys for the State, about a month and a half ago, did so only upon the condition that Miss Pace should not be called as a witness. The defense is unable to subpoena her now, as she is out of the State.

It was 12 o'clock yesterday when the State announced that it rested its case. In reply to a question by Mr. Fou, Mr. Daniel stated that the prosecution would ask for a verdict according to the charge in the indictment, which is murder with malice aforethought.

It is thought by counsel on both sides that the trial will be concluded by next Saturday, allowing three days for the introduction of evidence by the defense, and one day for evidence of State in rebuttal.

Lexington, S. C., Oct. 3.—The trial of former Lieutenant Governor Jas. H. Tillman has been in progress just one week, and the state has not formally rested its case. Solicitor Thurmond announced, however, when the last witness for the prosecution examined today had left the stand, that the state practically was ready to close, but desired to pass the closing until next week, as there is further testimony the state may desire to submit. One of the witnesses for the defense was heard today, the state having disposed of all its witnesses present, some time prior to the hour appointed for adjournment. No afternoon session was held today, and the trial will not be resumed until Tuesday morning because of other matters demanding the attention of the court Monday.

Only four witnesses for the state were examined today.

Letter to T. C. Wooten, Kinston, N. C.

Dear Sir: What's the penalty for making or selling short-measure paint in your State?

And does it make any difference, if three fourths of the paint are short-measure?

Is seven pints a full-gallon or a fool-gallon?

What's the penalty for making or selling whitewash for paint, if mixed with a little paint and labeled "Pure mixed paint," or something like that? But we don't intend to go into the business. We make Devco lead-and zinc full-measure and true.

F. W. Devco & Co.

P. S.—B. W. Cassidy & Son sell our paint.

THE PRESIDENT'S LIFE

Attempted by Peter Elliot in Washington This Morning

A WATCHMAN BADLY CUT IN SCUFFLE

Would-be Assassin Lives in Washington City. His Efforts Frustrated And Man Placed Under Arrest.

Special to The Free Press.

Washington, Oct. 5.—This morning an attempt was made upon the life of President Roosevelt.

The would-be assassin is a white man about 30 years of age, named Peter Elliot. He is a resident of the city of Washington, residing at No. 730, 5th St., N. W.

In attempting to force his way into the white house he was met by one of the regular watchmen. A fierce struggle ensued in which the watchman was badly cut.

Elliot was placed under arrest before he could accomplish further damage.

A Chinese Joke.

In his book on "China and the Chinese" Dr. Giles gives a specimen of Chinese humor which, if the source were not known, might well be mistaken for American humor.

There is a Chinese story which tells how a very stingy man took a paltry sum of money to an artist—payment is always exacted in advance—and asked him to paint his portrait. The artist at once complied with the request, but when the portrait was finished nothing was visible save the back of the sitter's head.

"What does this mean?" cried the sitter indignantly.

"Well," replied the artist, "I thought a man who paid so little as you paid wouldn't care to show his face."

The Tall Hat In France.

The tall hat, variously called "chimney pot," "stovepipe," "cylinder" and what not, became fashionable in Paris in 1790, soon after the death of Franklin, in whose honor it was known as "Chapeau Franklin." In spite of numerous changes of style, it has maintained its ground ever since, unexpected as such a result would have seemed at its first introduction. For a time this style of hat was considered revolutionary in Germany and Russia. Any one wearing a "cylinder" was liable to punishment, but the evil reputation soon passed away, and the tall, stiff hat, the ugliest head covering that was ever worn and the most ridiculed, outlives all other styles.

Getting Acquainted.

"We hesitated about renting this place," said the woman who had just moved in, "until we learned that the families on both sides of us owned their houses. It is so unpleasant to live where the people next door are always changing and you never know what kind of neighbors you are going to have."

"Yes," responded the woman on the other side of the fence. "That's one reason why we're trying to sell our house."—Chicago Tribune.

The Picture.

Ethel—What do you think of this landscape, aunty?

Aunt Hannah—Well—er—I don't think so much of the trees, but that grapevine is pretty good.

Ethel—Grapes? Why, dear, that is the artist's signature.—Philadelphia Record.

The Spade and the Balm.

Cora—I think mother is altogether too outspoken in her criticism of my husband's actions.

Mildred—Yes, it's not always wise to call a spade a spade.

Cora—No, not a rake a rake.—Brooklyn Life.

Growth of Hair.

Like most vegetation the hair grows better in light than in darkness because of the stimulating effect of light and sunshine. It has often been noticed in the case of men who sit in offices with one side always turned toward the light that the mustache or beard of that side grows longer than on the other.

Blue Grass.

The Kentucky blue grass is confined to a circle where the dolomitic limestones of the silurian outcrop, and the Johnson grass of the south is confined to the soils of the cretaceous.

Dieting Invites Disease.

To cure Dyspepsia or indigestion it is no longer necessary to live on milk and toast. Starvation produces such weakness that the whole system becomes an easy prey to disease. Kodol Dyspepsia Cure enables the stomach and digestive organs to digest and assimilate all of the wholesome food that one cares to eat, and is a never failing cure for indigestion, Dyspepsia and all stomach troubles. Kodol digests what you eat—makes the stomach sweet. Sold by J. E. Hood & Co.

A VERY FINE ADDRESS.

Hon. John A. Oates, of The North Carolina Baptist, Speaks on the Dispensary to a Large Audience.

Yesterday afternoon the opera house was filled with an audience that had assembled to hear the first gun in the dispensary campaign. The speaker was Hon. John A. Oates, of Fayetteville.

The meeting was called to order by Mr. S. H. Abbott, chairman of the committee on speakers of the Anti-Saloon League. A select choir entertained the audience with several choice selections, after which Mayor N. J. Rouse arose to introduce the speaker of the occasion.

The mayor spoke very forcibly his convictions on the temperance question. He said that he is a straight out prohibitionist, but after careful consideration of the dispensary proposition, he has come to the conclusion that he cannot afford to do otherwise than support it. All good citizens were asked to rally to the support of the city administration in securing a reform in dealing with the liquor traffic.

The mayor then introduced Editor Oates, who held the attention of the audience with strong argument and apt illustrations for over an hour.

The speaker undertook to prove that the liquor traffic is not beneficial to a town either religiously, politically, socially or industrially, and the audience seemed to agree that he made out a good case.

Mr. Oates came to us tired from much campaigning in the temperance movement that is now being pushed throughout the State. He spoke earnestly and with enthusiasm.

His words will have much weight with his hearers.

A CHURCH TRUST.

The Churches of Lincoln, Neb., Combine to Raise Salaries.

Lincoln, Neb., Special to Washington Post.

The pastors of the large Lincoln churches have signed an ironclad agreement intended to drive out the small churches and return greater revenues to the larger, the longer established houses of worship. The agreement is aimed at the exclusion of several projected new parishes. The Lincoln ministers take the stand that the field is already crowded.

One of the ministers admits frankly that the organization has all the features and aims of the big trusts incorporated under the New Jersey laws.

"Too many ministers are working for small salaries," he declared. "Congregations are too small. The salaries of the best ministers are too small. A remedy is the abolition of the small churches and congregations. Bring congregations together, unite the churches. Contributions resulting will enable ministers to be paid better salaries, and religion will advance in consequence. Our plan is to allot territory to each church and consider that the work of the church shall be within the confines settled upon. Not a minister in Lincoln doubts that the plan will succeed."

\$5,000 FOR PEACH SEEDS.

A New Source of Revenue for Mecklenburg County Farmers.

Charlotte Observer.

It will surprise some people to learn that the farmers and fruit-growers in the upper part of Mecklenburg county, have sold hundreds of bushels of peach seeds this summer and that they realized from that source over \$2,000. Besides in that section large amounts of seed were sold at Huntersville and in other parts of the county, and it is probable that the farmers of the entire county received nearly \$5,000 this year for peach seeds, an unknown source of revenue heretofore.

The seeds are used for various purposes. A great part of almond extract is made from peach kernels, and almond candy is almost invariably flavored with peach kernel extract. But besides these uses many of the seeds from the finer peaches are sold to nurseries and hundreds of bushels are sent annually to Japan, where they are planted and the trees used for fuel.

The price of seed in this county at the first of the season was 75 cents per bushel, but later the price advanced to \$1.25.

A Perfect Painless Pill.

is the one that will cleanse the system, set the liver to action, remove the bile, clear the complexion, cure headache and leave a good taste in the mouth. The famous little pills for doing such work pleasantly and effectually are DeWitt's Little Early Risers. Bob Moore of Lafayette, Ind., says: "All other pills I have used gripe and sicken, while DeWitt's Little Early Risers are simply perfect." Sold by J. E. Hood & Co.

NORTH STATE NEWS

Clipped and Culled From Our North Carolina Exchanges.

ODD AND INTERESTING HAPPENINGS

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

The University football team defeated Oak Ridge Saturday by a score of 45 to 0.

The directors of the Farmers and Merchants' bank, of Newbern, have withdrawn the offer of \$4,000 reward for Dewey's capture.

News-Observer: At a meeting of the executive committee of the University, held in the governor's office yesterday, President Venable announced that ex-Judge W. P. Bynum, of Charlotte, had made a donation of \$25,000 to erect a gymnasium at the University as a memorial of his grandson, his namesake.

John Halley, a white man living in Durham accidentally shot and badly wounded his little son. The father was cleaning his pistol and his son had just entered the room and took a seat to watch the work. In a few minutes the pistol fired and the ball entered the abdomen of the boy. He was taken to the Watts hospital at once and is being treated there. His injuries cannot be determined as yet, but are serious.

Louisburg, Oct. 3.—On last Saturday night, Chief of Police High with several deputies, in searching for crap shooters, ran into a crowd of negroes on the river bank in the corporate limits of the town. The negroes broke and ran and made their escape. One William Kearney jumped in the river, and was not seen any more until Friday of the following week, when his body was discovered by a negro woman fishing. She immediately gave the alarm and the body was taken out and identified as Wm. Kearney, colored.

At a meeting of the Carpenter's Union Friday night, in Durham a boycott was declared against those merchants who refused to recognize the Clerks' Union. The resolution passed declare that in the future no member of the union or the family of any member will trade with merchants who do not employ union clerks and recognize the demands of the union for early closing. Most of the merchants in the city have complied with the demands of the union clerks and the fight will now center against the few merchants who have not complied.

Mr. A. B. Page, of Nelson, Durham county, was killed Friday evening by the horse he was riding falling into a ditch. This occurred near Mr. Page's home in Nelson, six miles from Durham. Friday evening Mr. Page went over to see a colored man about some work, and about an hour after he left home a colored man who had been to Durham found his hat in the road. An investigation found Mr. Page in a deep ditch and his horse lying on top of him with his feet in the air. In the fall the horn of the saddle had crushed Mr. Page's breast, his neck was broken and he was badly bruised and crushed from the stomach up.

Cures Rheumatism and Catarrh.—Medicine Sent Free.

Send no money—simply write and try Botanic Blood Balm at our expense. Botanic Blood Balm (B. B. B.) kills or destroys the poison in the blood which causes the awful aches in back and shoulder blades, shifting pains, difficulty in moving fingers, toes or legs, bone pains, swollen muscles and joints of rheumatism, or the foul breathing, hawking, spitting, droppings in throat, bad hearing, specks flying before the eyes, all played out feeling of catarrh. Botanic Blood Balm has cured hundreds of cases of 30 or 40 years' standing after doctors, hot springs and patent medicines had all failed. Most of these cured patients had taken Blood Balm as a last resort. It is especially advised for chronic, deep-seated cases. Impossible for any one to suffer the agonies or symptoms of rheumatism or catarrh while or after taking Blood Balm. It makes the blood pure and rich, thereby giving a healthy blood supply. Cures are permanent and not a patching up. Drug stores, \$1 per large bottle. Sample of Blood Balm sent free and prepaid, also special medical advice by describing your trouble and writing Blood Balm Co., Atlanta, Ga.

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