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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.

New York, Nov. 11.—Richard Croker was unanimously elected a life honorary member of the Democratic club tonight. This honor is shared only by former President Grover Cleveland.

Fall River, Mass., Nov. 11.—Notices were posted today in the cotton mills of this city announcing a general reduction of 10 per cent. in wages, to take effect November 3rd. About 30,000 operatives are affected.

Rome, Nov. 11.—The Duke of Abruzzi, commander of the Italian third class cruiser Liguria, now at New Orleans, has been instructed by the admiralty here to proceed to San Domingo, if the revolution there renders such a step necessary, for the protection of Italian subjects.

Washington, Nov. 11.—Congressman W. W. Kitchen, of North Carolina, introduced a resolution providing a new article to the constitution prohibiting national or state legislation establishing or supporting any religion or prohibiting the free exercise of religion; also a resolution repealing the fifteenth amendment to the constitution.

Washington, Nov. 11.—The state department has received a cablegram from United States Minister Beaupre, at Bogota, dated November 9, in which the minister states that large crowds were parading the streets on the 8th instant, crying "Down with Marroquin." There was a mass meeting denouncing the president and calling for a change of government.

New York, Nov. 11.—The summonses that Captain Richmond Pearson Hobson secured on Monday for the appearance of three people to try and explain the disappearance of jewelry, money and one of his medals, were today dismissed. Miss Margaret and her sister had reported their loss. Mrs. Hobson seemed to be somewhat indefinite about the disappearance of the valuables when she testified today, and the judge advised that she drop the case, as he believed there was no warrant for further action. The summonses were then dismissed.

Washington, November 11.—Speaker Cannon was assured today by one of the most prominent leaders of the opposition to Cuban reciprocity in the last congress that there would be little or no opposition among Republicans to the bill carrying into effect the Cuban reciprocity. He told the speaker that the attempt to form an opposition had failed and that the Republicans would not join the Democrats in voting the Morris differential amendment on the bill. The speaker was assured that the sentiment among Republicans was to stand by the speaker; that it would be impolitic to have a division of the party at the beginning of the session.

Visiting Cards, Latest Style, at FREE PRESS office.

COMMUNICATION FROM J. E. HOOD & CO.

Offer to Refund Money if Hyomei Does Not Cure Catarrh.

To the Editor of THE FREE PRESS:

We have been asked recently if the advertisements printed in your columns regarding Hyomei were true, where we offer to refund the money if this treatment does not cure catarrh and catarrhal deafness. We wish you would please print this letter in as conspicuous a place as possible in your paper, saying that we absolutely agree to refund the money to any purchaser of a Hyomei outfit if it does not cure catarrh.

This outfit consists of an inhaler of a convenient size to be carried in the vest pocket so that the user can breathe Hyomei four or five times daily. With this is included a medicine dropper and a bottle of Hyomei. The outfit sells for \$1 and is a most economical treatment for the inhaler lasts a lifetime and there is enough Hyomei for several weeks use, while extra bottles can be obtained for 50c.

We trust this letter will settle any doubts that may have arisen as to our willingness to refund the money for a Hyomei outfit in case the purchaser is not perfectly satisfied.

We wish to say emphatically that our guarantee on Hyomei holds good, and we will refund the money to any dissatisfied purchaser who simply states that he has used the treatment according to directions and has not been helped. Respectfully yours,

J. E. Hood & Co.

SHERIFF TAYLOR'S STATEMENT

Trenton Citizens not Conspiring to Liberate Dixon.

TRENTON, N. C., Nov. 12, 1903. To Editor Newbern Journal:

Sir:—Having seen the statement in today's Journal concerning a purpose of liberating Dixon, I am writing this in honor of the Trenton citizens, that the statement made that men had organized at Trenton for this purpose is incorrect. So far as I know, Dixon has no friends at Trenton that would attempt such a thing. I stated to the deputy sheriff at Newbern that I had received information through a letter from Dixon's neighborhood that a move was on foot there to liberate Dixon. I thought it my duty to notify Sheriff Biddle. I am sorry that the notice I gave caused so great a sensation having to call forth the naval reserves, etc., but I have been informed that this was not the first time that the naval reserves were called without success. That they blistered their feet down in Pamlico county about two years ago and found no trouble there. Two of them are now in my presence relating the circumstance, but I cannot nor will not for their respect state all they are saying, but I am sorry they are so easily excited by fake rumors.

I shall be more careful in the future who I deliver messages to, concerning official business.

Respectfully,
LON TAYLOR, Sheriff.

A SMART FALL WRAP.

Handsome Three-quarter Length Coat of Black Zibeline.

The three-quarter coat sketched is very stunning when worn by a tall, graceful woman. It is evolved from black zibeline and pale blue panne cloth. Novel and attractive is the cape stole, ornamented with black silk passementerie, which gives the required long shoulder effect.

The inner vest and flaring collar are becomingly carried out in blue panne, with bands of zibeline to tone it down.



A STUNNING COAT.

Bouffant and extremely full are the sleeves, finished at the hands with kimono cuffs. Light blue pane de sole lines this smart wrap.

A white picture hat of shirred chiffon, decorated with a rouleau of rather small white ostrich feathers, is the right hat in the right place.

German Titles.

In German noble families, unlike the English nobility, the father's title is inherited by each of his children, resulting in an endless posterity of counts, countesses, barons and baronesses.

Breweries.

More than half of the breweries in the world are in Germany. Altogether there are about 51,000, of which 28,000 are in Germany.

Naval Gun Practice.

A naval gun when fired sustains a pressure of fifteen or seventeen tons to the square inch. It has previously stood a charge giving a force of twenty tons to the square inch at the proving grounds.

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RIOTING IN CHICAGO

Street Car Men Are on a Strike and the Surface Lines Are Tied Up

FEDERAL AID MAY BE NECESSARY

To Control the Situation. Many Are Wounded by Flying Glass and Stones From Sympathizers.

Chicago, Nov. 12.—Constant scenes of disorder over a district approximately fifty square miles in extent, resulted today from the inauguration of a strike by the employees of one of the two principal surface street railway companies in Chicago. Along the lines wherever cars were started, strike sympathizers made desperate onslaughts on the crews beginning at dawn of day and continuing as long as cars remained on the tracks. The tie-up was made complete.

A number of cars were wrecked, and that no person was killed is no fault of the rioters. One man had his back broken. The first shot of the strike was fired at Wentworth avenue and west Sixty-ninth street, where a mob of several hundred persons tried to hold up a train. Many persons, chiefly non-union street car men, were injured by flying stones or splintered glass. Two women were among those hurt. Excepting a few dozen passengers who had to flee from the cars the 300,000 daily patrons of the company were forced to all sorts of other methods in order to get down town and back.

With faces and hands bleeding from the attacks of the strikers, motormen, gripmen and conductors who tried to run trains returned to the barns and refused to go out again unless the trains bore platoons of police or patrol wagons were alongside.

The police confined their efforts to seeing that the passage of cars from the barns was unobstructed and that crowds in the streets were quickly cleared. This was done under orders from Mayor Carter H. Harrison, whose announced purpose was to preserve an impartial attitude, taking sides neither for nor against the strikers or the street railway company, which though known as the Chicago City Railway, is a private corporation, the lines of which extend through the south side of the city, radiating from the business center.

The strike is the outgrowth of persistent efforts for increased wages and exclusion of non-union employees. Today about 3,000 men, practically the entire force of the company's wage earners, were idle. The number of men at any time running cars is but a small fraction of the number usually at work. The company's stationary fleming, who have also presented demands upon the company for increase of wages and to whom the trainmen looked for assistance, have declined to go out.

MOB SMASHED SALOONS.

Four Hundred Citizens Made a Raid in Gainesville, Ga.

Gainesville, Ga., Nov. 11.—Owing to the fire bell this afternoon at 3 o'clock 400 citizens armed with axes gathered at the city hall, as previously arranged, and proceeded to smash the "blind tigers" and other notorious resorts of the city.

After completing their work of demolition the members of the mob, through their leaders, served notice on the proprietors of the liquor joints and other resorts that they must leave the county in ten days, and that no attempt to reopen their places will be tolerated.

The committee of citizens was comprised of the best people of the city, and was headed by the Rev. J. W. Wynne, pastor of the First Baptist church.

A mass meeting was held after the alleged violators of the law had been visited, at which a large sum was raised to be used in the prosecution of any person who shall attempt to reopen one of the closed resorts.

There has been a great deal of trouble here recently in which liquor has played a large part, and, as this county is dry, the illegal sale was regarded as the chief of evils.

A few weeks ago the Rev. C. F. Petty had a duel with C. C. Lipscomb as a result of an article charging Lipscomb with running a "blind tiger."

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FATHER OF DURHAM

Quietly Passes Away in the Presence of His Family and Friends

DEATH DUE TO PARALYTIC STROKE

He Was One Time a Millionaire But Sacrificed Himself Rather Than His Friends Should Suffer.

Durham, Nov. 12.—At 11:45 tonight Colonel William T. Blackwell, known far and wide as the "Father of Durham," breathed his last.

His death was not unexpected. From the hour when he was stricken the doctors had held out no hope. Since Sunday morning grief-worn relatives and loving friends had been gathered at his bedside hourly expecting the end.

While at breakfast Sunday morning he was stricken with paralysis and since that time had been unable to move or talk. His throat and tongue were both paralyzed. Previous to going to breakfast Col. Blackwell was heard to remark that he was feeling splendid. A few minutes later he had lost all control of himself and did not know his aged mother and other relatives who gathered about him.

Mr. Blackwell was 64 years of age. He was one of the early manufacturers of smoking tobacco in Durham, and the now famous Bull Durham Manufacturing Company bears his name. He was early associated with Thomas B. Morris under the firm name of Morris & Blackwell. To him Durham is really indebted for her first real tobacco boom, he organized the firm of W. T. Blackwell & Co. In this business Col. Blackwell amassed a large fortune, close to a million dollars, but a number of years ago failed and lost all rather than force to the wall a number of people whom he could have sacrificed and saved himself. He was later postmaster for Durham under President Cleveland. He leaves two brothers, six sisters and one son, Mr. W. T. Blackwell, Jr., who is now civil engineer for Durham.

His aged mother, who also survives him, is 85 years old.

As indicated, Colonel Blackwell was one of the factors in the industrial growth of Durham. To him the graded school may be said to owe its being. In his death both Durham and the State loses a commanding figure whose place will not be easily filled.

GRAINGERS ITEMS.

November 12, 1903.

We can almost hear the wedding bells jingle.

Mr. Jack Pope spent Sunday at Mr. Jesse Fields of Lounis Swamp.

Mrs. W. O. Rasbery and Miss Ella Rasbery returned home yesterday from Grifton.

Mrs. Felix Skinner, of Kinston, came out today to visit her father, Mr. E. P. Rouse.

Capt. W. J. Parker, formerly of Graingers but now of Greenville, spent Saturday night here.

Mrs. Clay Faulkner and Mrs. Rebecca Dupree went to Everettes Wednesday to spend a few days.

Mr. M. L. Broadway lost a fine milk cow Monday. He says she was not one of those \$100 cows, but was worth about \$50.

John Loftin, a colored man living near here lost his house and all of its contents Sunday night by fire. He thinks it was set on fire.

Mr. J. B. Edgerton, of Goldsboro, president of the East Carolina Land Company, was here Tuesday to sell and lay off some town lots.

Rev. J. M. Lowder filed his last appointment at Sharon last Sunday for this conference year. This closed his third year's work with our people.

ORMONDSVILLE ITEMS.

November 12, 1903.

Mr. C. F. Moore went to Ayden yesterday.

Mr. W. W. Ormond went to Kinston Monday.

Miss Lucy Turnage spent yesterday at Hookerton.

Mr. W. J. Hardee still visits Snow Hill occasionally.

Mr. Elias Turnage went to Snow Hill this morning.

Mr. George McLawhorn left here this morning for Snow Hill.

Miss Annie Joyner, of Faulkland, came today to visit Mrs. C. F. Moore.

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FIRE PROOF RECORD ROOMS

Have Been Completed in the Court House and Work Accepted by Commissioners.

The work of putting in fire proof vaults for records has been completed and accepted by the board of county commissioners. Lenoir county's public records are now protected with the best equipped steel fire proof vaults that can be had and the clerk's and register of deeds' offices besides being so protected from fire are from an artistic point of view very handsome and cozy quarters.

The steel furniture, steel fire proof record files and steel roller shelf cabinets for the books of the offices, all painted and with brass trimmings, make a well ordered setting to the newly painted ceiling and whitewashed walls.

Thirteen inches of brick and cement have been added to the walls, Cortright steel roofing on steel beams with 12 inches of concrete and cement on top of it furnishes the overhead protection and steel fire proof doors with combination locks make of the rooms absolutely fire proof storage for the public records of the county.

The contract for the work was let to the B. F. Smith Fire Proof Construction Co., of Washington, D. C., and the work has been under the supervision of Capt. Price Furpless, a general North Carolinian, of Southport, whose experience in such work is attested by the success with which he managed this contract.

The work was approved and highly recommended by the board of commissioners and general satisfaction is expressed by the officers at the court house.

Capt. Furpless has been in the city about two months and he and Mrs. Furpless have gained a number of friends by their pleasant manner. He will leave for Trenton tomorrow, where he goes to superintend the building of a three-room fire proof record vault for Jones county, his company having succeeded in getting the contract over the bids of a number of competitors.

Trinity College Notes.

Trinity will debate Emory College, Ga., again this year. A challenge has been received from that institution and was accepted. The place for the debate has not yet been decided upon, but it is probable that it will be held in some city of Georgia.

Prof. J. F. Bivins, headmaster of Trinity Park High School, who has been visiting the leading preparatory schools in the northern and eastern states, has returned.

Dr. William Garrett Brown, of Cambridge, Mass., a writer and historian, is spending a part of the winter on the Park. He is writing a history of the United States during the reconstruction. He was drawn to Trinity by the advantages offered on the subject of American history in the library.

Mr. D. C. Branson, class 1891, delivered an interesting lecture in the Craven Memorial Hall, Monday evening, October 26. Mr. Branson has been in Europe almost the entire time since his graduation. The subject of his lecture was, "Rome and the Romans." He is now one of the editors of the New York Evening Post.

The meeting of the Southern Association of Colleges and Preparatory Schools, November 4-6, was largely attended by some of the most influential educators in the southern states. There were representatives from the University of Missouri, University of Tennessee, University of the South, University of North Carolina, Vanderbilt University, University of Georgia, Wofford College, Wake Forest, and other colleges and schools. At this conference were discussed certain problems of higher and secondary education.

The second of the series of faculty lectures was delivered by Dr. W. P. Few before an appreciative audience Friday evening, October 30. His subject was "The College in the Service of the State."

Mr. T. A. Holton of the sophomore class, fell and broke his collar-bone while practicing for a game of football Monday afternoon.

The grounds around the library and new dormitory are being improved and the change adds very much to the appearance of the campus.

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NORTH STATE NEWS

Clipped and Culled From Our North Carolina Exchanges.

ODD AND INTERESTING HAPPENINGS

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

The Western North Carolina Conference of the M. E. church is in session in High Point, with Bishop A. Coke Smith, of Norfolk, presiding.

Governor Aycock Wednesday pardoned Ellis Wiggins, a man sentenced to the State penitentiary for fifteen years for aiding a convict to escape.

George Smith obtained a verdict for \$30,000 against the Seaboard Air Line, in Raleigh, Wednesday, damages for cutting off his leg and arm. He sued for \$50,000.

Wilmington business men who waited on Capt. Shoemaker, chief of revenue cutter services, were promised a first-class cutter to stay in their waters permanently.

A man from Hickory, Andrew McRee, who went to Chattanooga, Tenn., to the dedication of a monument, fell from a hotel window while viewing the parade, and broke his neck.

At a meeting of the Daughters of the Revolution Mrs. Spier Whitaker, the founder of the society in North Carolina, was elected honorary regent for life by a unanimous standing vote.

The Centenary Methodist church of Newbern has made arrangements for building a new house of worship, the approximate cost of which is \$50,000 and which is to be completed by Nov. 6th, 1904. The seating capacity will be 1,450.

A man representing himself to Chief of Police Royall, of Mt. Olive, as a brother from whom the chief had been separated 34 years, was identified by removing his shoe and disclosing the absence of a big toe. The proof was positive and the brothers embraced.

Washington Cor. News and Observer: Congressman Thomas today called at the treasury department and inspected plans and specifications for the two life-saving stations to be established in his district. One will be at Beaufort and the other at Swansboro. Both, he says, will be handsome buildings and contracts will be let soon for the work.

Raleigh Post: A most pitiable case was discovered yesterday by Rev. R. S. Stevenson, city missionary. He found the white woman, Della Prince who had her throat cut by a man on the Bowery early last month, in a little room on Davis street perfectly helpless. The woman's condition is horrible, and her groans could be heard on the street. An effort is being made to get her in the county home.

At the night session of the convention of county superintendents, at Raleigh, Superintendent Costen, of Gates, introduced a resolution strongly denouncing Prof. Bassett, of Trinity College, for his article on the negro, in the South Atlantic Quarterly. He made a speech strongly endorsing it. It was referred to the committee on resolutions. It proposes to put the convention on record as denouncing Dr. Bassett and his views. When the report was taken up it was tabled as being beyond the scope of the association's work.

New Yorkers in Virginia.

Hot Springs, Va., Nov. 11.—Chas. F. Murphy, leader of Tammany Hall, arrived here yesterday afternoon. He says he came here to rest and he refuses to talk of any political "slate." Mr. Murphy has stated that he will remain at the springs until the first of December. He is accompanied by Mrs. Murphy.

The next train after Mr. Murphy arrived brought in Comptroller Grou, who states that he will remain here as long as Mr. Murphy.

In an interview this morning Mr. Grou states that Mayor-elect Geo. B. McClellan, who is now in Washington attending to his duties as congressman will arrive at Hot Springs some time next week.

The Best Lintment.

"Chamberlain's Pain Balm is considered the best lintment on the market," writes Post & Bliss, of Georgia, Va. No other lintment will heal a cut or bruise so promptly. No other affords such quick relief from rheumatic pains. No other is so valuable for deep seated pains like lame back and pains in the chest. Give this lintment a trial and you will never wish to be without it. Sold by J. E. Hood & Co.