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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.

Cumberland, Md., Dec. 20.—The miners in the mines of Tunnelton, Howesville, W. Va., are on a strike. A proposition for the operators to reduce the pay ten cents a ton for mining coal, is the cause of the tie-up of the several mines.

Sullivan, Ind., Dec. 20.—Fire, which started in the Citizens' Committee mine early today, is still burning. Two men, who went down the shaft, were overcome by smoke and rescued with difficulty. The fire was started by a shot which exploded in a gas pocket.

Joliet, Ill., Dec. 20.—The three main departments of the Illinois Steel Company, at Joliet, are now idle, the converter and billet mills having been ordered to close tomorrow. About 1,500 men are affected. The repairs and improvements will be pushed, but the duration of the shut down is not stated.

Atlanta, Dec. 20.—Brigadier General Thomas H. Barry, who has been appointed to the command of the department of the gulf, arrived from Washington tonight. His visit, which is preliminary to his locating here, will be devoted to looking over the situation and securing officers for the headquarters, which must be established by January 15th.

Norfolk, Dec. 20.—To save Charles Bynum, a negro from lynching, Justice Morris, of Dover Va., held court at 3 o'clock this morning by the light of the fire the negro is accused of having started. Bynum is charged with having burned the barn of John L. Bond. The barn, containing several horses and vehicles and farm implements, together with several thousand pounds of cotton, were destroyed. He was held for court.

Constantinople, Dec. 20.—The Porte has agreed to the demands of the United States government, and has ordered the governor of Alexandria to make ample apology to Consul Davis for the insult and assaults to which he was subjected by police of Alexandria, while he was escorting to a departing steamer a naturalized American citizen named Attarin, who had been liberated from prison through the intervention of Mr. Davis.

Birmingham, Ala., Dec. 20.—An informal meeting of the leading iron men of this district was held here yesterday to raise the price to \$10 for No. 2 foundry. After considerable discussion it was decided to maintain present prices until after the holidays. Several of the prominent conference gave assurance that after January 1st no more iron would be sold at less than ten dollars. Tennessee interests strongly urge that the price be made 10.75.

GRANGE ITEMS.

December 21, 1903.

Mr. Shade Wooten, Jr., continues to improve.

The tobacco market will open again January 4, 1904.

Misses Dawson, of Kinston, are visiting the Misses Taylor.

Miss Alice Hines, of Tarboro, is visiting at Mrs. L. S. Joyner's.

Rev. Mr. Oldham has arrived and become pastor of the Baptist church.

Mr. Robert Wynne, of Norfolk, is visiting his father, Mr. George Wynne.

Mr. and Mrs. A. S. Wooten returned from a visit to Mr. and Mrs. H. E. Dillon today.

Turkeys have been selling higher this season than ever before, 12¢ cents and upwards, gross.

Mr. and Mrs. M. W. Ball and Miss Nina Todd, of Oriental, are visiting Mr. and Mrs. Alex Sutton.

Miss Francis Boyd, milliner for Creech & Fields returned to her home in Henderson, N. C., Monday.

Mrs. W. H. Taylor and her little sister are spending the holidays with their sister, Mrs. Melton, of Richmond.

The bazaar at the Harper Hotel, for the benefit of the M. P. church closed Saturday night, realizing nearly \$100.

The Watch Tower has ceased to be published at the Sentinel office. Mr. Ross, of the Sentinel force has gone to his home at Washington, N. C.

Misses Bessie Kennedy, Charlotte and Louise Wooten, of the Christian College, Wilson; Attie Fields and Helen Wooten, of Virginia College, Roanoke, and Mr. George Whitfield, of Horner's at Oxford, are home for Christmas. Mr. Ed Herring is expected from Oak Ridge this week.

ARBA ITEMS.

December 21, 1903.

Mr. Albert A. Hill is acting postmaster at Arba.

Mr. and Mrs. Willie Wooten is all smiles, it is a boy.

Mr. and Mrs. G. T. Sullivan visited her parents Sunday.

Elder Phillips fulfilled his appointment at Hull Road church Saturday night and Sunday.

St. Petersburg, Dec. 21.—Mr. Bryan said today that he spent 14 hours with Tolstoi Friday last arriving before breakfast. He rode half an hour with Tolstoi, who then insisted that Mr. Bryan should take a siesta while the author wrote. Tolstoi's physician laughingly said he was sorry that the author had curtailed his daily exercise through the fear of tiring Mr. Bryan. The conversation between Tolstoi and Mr. Bryan took the widest range.

Morgan Forfeits Bond.

Wilson, Dec. 21.—It is ascertained this evening that Lawrence Morgan, one of the alleged murderers of Percy Jones, and indicted last week for running a gambling den, has skipped, forfeiting his \$5,000 bond.

CASTORIA. Bears the Signature of *Chas. H. Fletcher*

SENTENCE COMMUTED

And Henry Holloman, Twice Respited, Will Not Hang for Burglary

UNCERTAINTY OF EVIDENCE REASON

Given by Gov. Aycock for Commuting To Life Imprisonment the Death Sentence of Greene County Negro.

Henry Holloman, the negro convicted of burglary in Greene county in entering the house of Mr. Parrott Tuton one night last summer, will not hang, his sentence of death being commuted yesterday by Gov. Aycock to life imprisonment.

Mr. Charles Abernethy and ex-Judge W. S. O'B Robinson, attorneys for Holloman, were at Raleigh yesterday and succeeded in gaining executive clemency to the extent that the convicted man will not pay the extreme penalty. He was to have been hanged tomorrow.

Holloman was tried at the September term of the Greene county court for the crime of burglary in the first degree, was convicted and sentenced to be hanged. His sentence was respited on October 9th to December 17th to December 23d.

The following are the governor's reasons for the commutation:

"The sentence of death in this case is commuted to imprisonment in the State's prison at hard labor for life. Since the sentence of the prisoner, Hon. Fred Moore the judge who tried the case, has held another term of court in Greene county, and while there carefully investigated the grounds for the application for commutation. He writes me under date of December 17th, as follows:

"I respectfully recommend that the sentence of death pronounced upon Henry Holloman at the September term of the superior court of Greene county be commuted to imprisonment in the State's prison at hard labor for the term of his natural life. After full consideration of this matter and after discussing it with eight members of the jury who tried the case and with many of the best citizens of the county, it is my deliberate judgment that the sentence should be commuted."

"Judge Moore further writes that while he fully believes that the prisoner is guilty there is some room for doubt, and under all circumstances he does not believe the ends of justice demand the execution of the death sentence. The identity of the prisoner as the guilty person was dependent entirely upon the recognition of his voice. A great number of the leading citizens of the county join in an urgent request for the commutation. Six of the jury who tried the case have joined in a written request to me to commute the sentence."

"There is, in my opinion, after a careful examination of the case, too much uncertainty to justify the taking of human life."

"CHARLES B. AYCOCK, Governor."

Jungle Housekeeping. The negro housewife in the West Indian jungle finds housekeeping very easy. Fruit and vegetables grow wild all about the hut, and the river abounds with fish.

On wash day all she has to do is to pick a few of the berries of the soap-berry tree, take her clothes to the river and use the berries as she would use ordinary soap. Even her cooking pots grow on the trees, the calabash cut in halves being used for this purpose. Calabashes are used also for bowls, basins and jugs for carrying water from the river, while the small ones make excellent cups.

In the afternoon, when she is ready for her cup of tea, the negro picks half a dozen leaves from the lime bush growing at her door, boils them, squeezes the juice from a sugar cane for sweetening, and the cocconut supplies the milk. Thus she has a delicious cup of tea without depending on the grocer for it.

She makes the mats for her door out of the dried leaves of the banana, plaited and sewed together, as the old country people in this country make their rag mats.

The Mexican Boundary Line.

The international boundary line between the United States and the republic of Mexico is marked by pyramids of stones placed at irregular distances along the line all the way from the Rio Grande to the Pacific ocean. Whenever it was found practicable to do so these pyramids were built on prominent peaks at road crossings, fields, etc. The line was not surveyed, as in the usual custom, the location of the monument being based on astronomical calculations and observations.

A Successful Concert.

Last night a concert was given in the opera house by the Trinity College Glee Club, assisted by the mandolin and guitar club, a college club, a college quartette and an impersonator.

There was a fairly good audience present to hear the boys, and the concert was received with every mark of approval.

Every number on the program received hearty applause, and the encores were frequent. There was snap and vivacity from beginning to end. Especially did the impersonations of Mr. J. Leon Williams convince the audience with laughter.

Throughout the rendition of the program the boys showed careful and skillful training by their director, Mr. Walter H. Overton, secretary of the Southern Conservatory of Music. The ability of Prof. Overton was not only in his training and direction, but in the arrangement of the program itself, which was as follows:

- PART I.
- "We Meet Again Tonight".....Anon Glee Club
 - Hiawatha.....Moxey
 - Mandolins and Guitars
 - Serenade from "Spanish Student" Quartet
 - "Oh Wah Hoo".....Westman Glee Club
 - Recitation—"Mr. Cohen's Troubles" J. Leon Williams
 - The Good Little Boy.....Rich Glee Club
- PART II.
- If I were a.....Arr. Glee Club
 - Cavalleria.....Mascagni.
 - Two Mandolins and Guitar.
 - How Can I Leave Thee.....Cramer. Quartet
 - Recitation—"Apples"..... J. L. Williams
 - (a) Busy Bee.....(Parks Arr. by (b) Nut Brown Maiden) Overton. Glee Club
 - Medley.....Arr. Mandolins and Guitars
 - Dixie.....Arr. Glee Club

Letter Delivery by Telephone.

Senator Fairbanks, of Indiana, has been "mentioned" as a candidate for vice-president and for president. Nothing is half good enough for him. His convolutions are throwing off great thoughts copiously. Peep into that wonderful machine. "Rural mail delivery is a good thing," says the senator to himself. "The statesman that helps it along will be appreciated by the farmers. Why shouldn't the government give the farmer telephone privileges? I shall. I will propose it myself." And he did. The postmaster is to read the farmer's letter to the farmers over the telephone. The farmer sits down, writes an answer, and has it ready for the rural mail carrier. Gorgeous notion, isn't it? Everybody likes to have his letters read by the postmaster. Only a few millions would be needed to make and to take the postoffice's telephone exchanges. Rural free telephone delivery will be a good institution, if the farmers will only give up their prejudices in favor of reading their own letters and attending to their own business.—Everybody's Magazine for December.

Shooting Out of Time.

There has been a great many violations of the law against shooting fireworks before the time specified in the ordinance and Mayor Rouse warns the persons who are guilty that anyone convicted will be given the maximum limit of \$5 fine.

The police have been at a great disadvantage in catching up with the ones doing the shooting but several arrests were made today. Chief Simmons, after considerable trouble last night caught up with a bunch of 12 or 15.

The ordinance also makes the merchant guilty who sells the fireworks and allows them to be fired around his place of business. The mayor is in dead earnest about this matter and offenders may take warning. The merchants who sell fireworks are being notified today.

The Cotton Market.

December, 12.69; January, 12.70; March, 12.90; May, 13.13.

Receipts on the local market 15 to 20 bales sold at 12 1/2 to 13 cents.

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 Toe Heel Readers.

Four colored people are seriously ill in Charlotte from eating a can of sardines that were not fresh.

The schooner Raymond Maul, coal-laden, is stranded on Wreck Point, in Cape Lookout cove. The life-saving crew has gone to her assistance. There will be no loss of life. The prospect of floating the vessel is good, weather permitting.

The supreme court's decision in the case of Asheville against Webb, from Buncombe, is a victory for Asheville, as it insures the validity of an issue of bonds amounting to \$100,000, the court holding that under the provisions of the charter of Asheville 30 days' notice of a bond election was not necessary.

Goldboro Cor. Wilmington Messenger: For the past several months the Humphrey-Gibson Company, of this city have been actively engaged in organizing the Goldboro and Seven Springs Security Company, the purpose of which is to purchase the hotel property at Seven Springs and build a railroad from here to the springs. The plans are at last perfected and incorporation papers will soon be asked for, with a capital stock paid in of \$150,000 with a privilege of increasing to \$300,000.

Statesville Cor. Charlotte Observer: A young lady, who has a room at a boarding house in town, had a novel experience last night and one that might have been fatal. Before retiring she heated a brick and put it in the bed. About 4 o'clock she was awakened by excessive heat and found that her bed had been ignited by the hot brick. By heroic work the fire was extinguished without other loss than the destruction of the bed clothing and mattress. The only hurt to the young lady was from fright.

Reidsville Cor. Charlotte Observer: There was a peculiar accident at the Reidsville Livery Company's stable last week and as a result four or five of the finest horses in the building came near meeting with a sudden death. A few days ago some new stalls were erected on the upper floor of the building and made comfortable for the select horses in the barn. Wednesday night the floor gave way and all the animals were rolled through into the lot at the rear. They were only slightly injured, but those who viewed the wreck could not understand how any of them escaped alive.

Raleigh Cor. Charlotte Observer: The supreme court has decided in the case against Jabel Register, convicted of the assassination of two men in their house in Columbus county, that there is no error. The court declines to consider the numerous affidavits filed by Register as a basis for a new trial. The court will not entertain a motion for a new trial for newly discovered evidence in criminal cases, but will do so on civil cases. Register will accordingly be hanged and his father, H. B. Register will serve a ten-year's sentence in the penitentiary for instigating the murder, which was followed by robbery and arson.

RECTOR OF ST. LUKE'S.

Ashburnham, Ontario. Testifies to the Good Qualities of Chamberlain's Cough Remedy.

Ashburnham, Ont., April 18, 1903.—I think it is only right that I should tell you what a wonderful effect Chamberlain's Cough Remedy has produced. The day before Easter I was so distressed with a cold and cough that I did not think to be able to take my duties the next day, as my voice was almost choked by the cough. The same day I received an order from you for a bottle of your Cough Remedy. I at once procured a sample bottle, and took about three doses of the medicine. To my great relief the cough and cold had completely disappeared and I was able to preach three times on Easter day. I know that this rapid and effective cure was due to your Cough Remedy. I make this testimonial without solicitation, being thankful to have found such a God sent remedy. Respectedly,
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