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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.

Nine Russian torpedo boat destroyers have arrived at Suez from Port Said, bound for the Far East. The Russian transport, Oriol has sailed for the Far East.

Many important changes will occur in the army during the next few days, resulting from the retirement of Lieutenant General Young and the promotion of Major General Chaffee to be lieutenant general.

The Emperor of Corea has ordered that seven hundred revolvers and clubs be distributed among the Peddlars, who are nominally secret police and a dangerous element. Many Germans are leaving Seoul, expecting trouble.

Norfolk, Va., Jan. 20.—The plant of the American Fertilizer Company, situated at Portsmouth, near the navy yard, was totally destroyed by fire today entailing a loss of possibly \$100,000. Several thousand bags of guano were stored in the main building.

A bill was presented in the Virginia house of delegates requiring that every door in every theatre and other public place of amusement in the state shall be at least six feet wide, open outward and remain unlooked during the continuance of any performance, lecture or other entertainment.

Columbus, Miss., January 20.—General Stephen D. Lee, commander in chief of the United Confederate Veterans has issued an unofficial call to every Confederate organization to take immediate action and organize to secure subscriptions for a monument to be erected to the late General John B. Gordon at Atlanta, Ga. The call is in the nature of an appeal.

Chicago, January 20.—Ill fortune of Chicago theatrical people during the last few weeks was again in evidence at a fire in the Grand Palace hotel, Indiana and Clark streets, early today, nearly two hundred members of theatrical troupes being driven into the streets by the flames. It was with difficulty that a panic was averted and the frightened men and women assisted from the structure in safety.

New York, January 20.—Unusually heavy ice in the lower bay, extending as far out as the eye can see, was today a menace to navigation, having shifted a number of buoys and caused the steamship, California, which had just sailed for Marselles and Genoa, to go hard aground near Southwest Spit. The ice piled all around her in such a manner that although it was half low tide when she grounded, it was feared she might have to lighten her cargo before she could float.

Washington, January 20.—Seven thousand acres of land situated in Washington county, Alabama, 35 miles from Mobile on the main line of the Southern railway has been purchased for colonization purposes. The tract will be subdivided into small farms and sold to Italian farmers. The heads of 25 families have already reached the property and commented the erection of buildings. Farms will be opened up at once. The settlers will engage in general farming, the growing of fruits and vegetables. From reports already received, the indications are that fully one thousand colonists will settle in Washington county during the current year.

Millionaire's Poor Stomach.
The worn-out stomach of the overfed millionaire is often paraded in the public prints as a horrible example of the evils attendant on the possession of great wealth. But millionaires are not the only ones who are afflicted with bad stomachs. The proportion is far greater among the toilers. Dyspepsia and indigestion are rampant among these people, and they suffer far worse tortures than the millionaire, unless they avail themselves of a standard medicine like Green's August Flower, which has been a favorite household remedy for all stomach troubles for over thirty-five years. August Flower rouses the torpid liver, thus creating appetite and insuring perfect digestion. It tones and vitalizes the entire system and makes life worth living, no matter what your station. Trial bottles, 25c; regular size, 75c. At J. E. Hood & Co.'s, druggists.

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THE MODERN NOTE.

It Is Not Sentiment, but Bravery With a Dash of Humor.

According to the modern notion, a man should be something of an artist in life. He should at least appear to play his part easily, with dash and gusto, like the acrobat who performs each dangerous feat smiling. This is la panache, the feather in the cap of courage—bravery with humor added. It is the spirit in which Lungtungpen was taken, in which Cyrano composed his ballade while he fought a duel, for Cyrano and Alan Breck, no less than Mulvaney and Sherlock Holmes, are very modern heroes.

Stevenson's whole life was one long devotion to this ideal. He carried his ill health and penury bravely and wittily into far corners of the earth through many strange adventures. As he wrote to William Archer: "The medicine bottles on my chimney and the blood on my handkerchief are accidents. They do not exist in my prospect."

The melodramatic gloom of Byron, the lachrymose pathos of Dickens and the shallow sentimentality of Thackeray touch the source of our tears less surely than the sheer gay heartedness and courage in the face of disease, difficulty or danger. This is the modern note. A clever woman told me that every young man of her acquaintance when he reached a certain degree of intimacy, quoted these lines of Henley's:

Under the bludgeonings of chance
My head is bloody, but unbowed.
—Claude Bragdon in Reader.

THE KANGAROO'S STORY.

Why the Does Throw Their Young Away When Hard Pressed.

"I have heard that men folk in their blindness deem our does to be lacking in the proper instincts of maternity because they have found that a doe kangaroo when hunted will throw away its offspring to save its own skin by hastening its speed. This," says Old Man Jack in the "Autobiography of an Australian Kangaroo" in Pearson's Magazine, "is simply scandalous and foolish."

"Men people are evidently not aware that our youngsters use the mother's pouch almost up to the age of maturity. Would they have our does attempt to fly from dogs and men and horses with youngsters weighing nearly fifty pounds in their pouches? The thing would be impossible."

"Among us a mother is taught to toss her youngsters to a place of safety when she is hard pressed. If she could not throw it to a place far safer in the circumstances than her own pouch she would turn at bay with it and face any odds."

"In the case of my mother, when we were chased, and sure as the hunt became dangerous she would pause, draw me out of her pouch, throw me carefully into long scrub on her right, then turn sharply to her left, pause again until the hounds had seen her and then be off like the wind straight away from me."

WAYS OF THE MAGPIE.

The Bird Is Sociable, Secretive and Full of Mischief.

The magpie has the same sort of sociability, the same secretiveness, the same thirst for education—of a certain kind—the same inherent and ineradicable love of mischief as has that very versatile bird the raven. Not that in intellect and strength of character she is in any way equal to the raven. Fun she has in abundance, but hardly humor. Conscious humor, that high and rare gift of man which interpenetrates and colors everything in life, is, I think, possessed in germ by the raven and the raven alone. You see it in his eye, in the pose of his head, in his walk, in every movement of his body. The eye of the magpie is, like the wit of Dickens, always on the move, nervous, excitable, glittering, scintillating. The eye of the raven is like the humor of Goldsmith. It has a faraway look, it dreams, it thinks, "it bodes and it bodes," it all but smiles. The magpie will pick up many words, or even sentences, and the old superstition that she will only talk or talk well if her tongue is slit with a thin and sharp silver sapphire died a natural death about the time that the coins of the realm had to be "milled" and so were rendered unsuitable for so stupidly cruel an operation.—R. Bosworth Smith in Nineteenth Century.

What She Meant.

"Didn't I hear your wife refer to you as the human mince pie?" said the curlious person.
"Yes," answered Mr. Sirius Barker.
"Is that a compliment?"
"Not exactly. She means that I never agree with anybody."—Washington Star.

As Usual.

"When I looked at this picture last week I failed to observe those goats down in the corner."
"Probably they butted in since then."—Kansas City Journal.

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ABUSINESSTRANSFER

C. W. Pridden & Co. Sells Out Entire Stock to Abe Schultz

MR. SCHULTZ TO RUN BOTH STORES

One Will be an Exclusive Ladies' Department and the Other Gents' Furnishing and Clothing.

As intimated in these columns yesterday Mr. Abe Schultz has purchased the stock of C. W. Pridden & Co. and has leased the store occupied by C. W. Pridden & Co. for a term of years, and will conduct business in both stores.

The two stores, which adjoin, will be connected by an arched doorway in the centre of the building, the store occupied by Mr. Pridden to be used exclusively as a ladies' department, in which will be kept everything in that line, and will be presided over by a corps of experienced salesladies. A handsome plate glass front will replace the front now there. The store at present occupied by Mr. Schultz will be used as a gents' furnishing and clothing store.

The amount involved is between \$3,000 and \$4,000, the exact figure not being known, because the inventory has not yet been completed, and both stocks will be sold at a sacrifice soon, to make room for the change in the style of business.

C. W. Pridden and Co., who retire, succeeded Mr. J. A. Pridden in 1898 since which time they have done a large time and cash business. Mr. C. W. Pridden does not state what business he will embark in.

Mr. Schultz, as proprietor of the Schultz Bargain Store, has had marked success and no doubt his new venture will prove equally successful.

TO ANNEX PANAMA.

A Bill Introduced by Senator Morgan of Alabama.

Washington, Jan. 20.—Senator Morgan today introduced a bill providing for the annexation of Panama to the United States "the rights and property of Panama resting in the United States, without reserve."

The bill appropriates \$10,000,000 as compensation to Panama for its cession; places \$15,000,000 at the disposal of the president for the compensation of Colombia and appropriates \$40,000,000 for the purchase of the property of the new Panama canal. It is especially provided that the provisions of this bill shall not have the effect of repealing the Spooner act.

The preamble sets forth that many nations having recognized the secession of Panama, the independence of that republic is an accomplished fact. The bill credits the president of the United States with having approved and protected the secession with the naval forces of the United States and the president and the senate with having recognized the independence of the new republic by appointing and accrediting a minister to that republic. After providing for the annexation of Panama by the United States the bill declares that all the rights and properties of the republic of Panama of every description shall vest in the United States of America, without reserve, and shall be subjected to their sovereign jurisdiction.

Senator Morgan also introduced a concurrent resolution directing the president to enter into negotiations to the governments of Nicaragua and Costa Rica for the construction of a canal by the Nicaragua route.

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RECEIVER APPOINTED

For the Gay Lumber Company for the Benefit of Creditors

MR. J. W. GRAINGER MADE RECEIVER

The Order Temporary But Permanent Receivership Will be Asked. The Creditors' Claims \$70,000.

An action was brought in the superior court and heard at chambers by Judge O. H. Allen, yesterday, wherein the plaintiffs, Hickson Lumber Company, Commercial and Farmers' Bank of Raleigh, James H. Pou and wife, Annie W. Pou, Bank of Kinston, E. P. Wooten and J. Hickson, Jr., make complaint against the Gay Lumber Company and J. W. Lynch and W. D. Pollock and B. W. Canady, assignees of S. H. Loftin, and ask that a receiver be appointed for the property of the Gay Lumber Company. An affidavit was filed setting forth the grounds for a receivership and Judge Allen signed the order, making Mr. J. W. Grainger temporary receiver. He qualified, giving \$10,000 bond.

The order was made returnable before Judge Garland Ferguson, and the defendants to the action were cited to appear before him at Wilmington Jan. 28th, and show cause why a permanent receiver should not be appointed.

The plaintiffs are creditors of the defendant company and set forth that the indebtedness of the company, secured and unsecured, is approximately \$70,000, with assets believed to be greatly in excess of this amount, and with proper and judicious management complete liquidation can be made without injury to any of the creditors.

The receiver is empowered and authorized to take charge of the property, operate the mill and collect amounts due the company and preserve the rights of the stockholders and creditors, for the faithful discharge of which duty he enters into a bond of \$10,000.

The receivership will operate in an equitable discharge of the obligations of the company, ratably and according to priority of claim.

The appointing of a receiver does not mean the shutting down of the mill, nor will the sale of the property be made February 1st, as advertised, if the receivership be made permanent by Judge Ferguson, Jan. 28th.

Among the largest creditors of the company are: James H. Pou and wife, \$20,000; S. H. Loftin, \$12,500, and the Commercial and Farmers' Bank, of Raleigh.

ORMONDSVILLE ITEMS.

January 21, 1904.

Mrs. Elias Turnage and daughter, Miss Lucy, went to Ayden this morning.

Several farmers went to Kinston yesterday to sell tobacco, and came back feeling good. Their say tobacco is up two cents per pound.

There is not the usual sensation in the community this season about starting off tobacco plants. By the first day of January before now every farmer had selected his plant bed in the best place possible and many had sowed their beds by that time, but it is not true this year. The "cross-road convention" now is not concerning tobacco, but cotton and other things.

Our friend, the editor of the Greene County Standard, seems to be very much elated over the progress of the work on the Raleigh and Pamlico Sound Railroad. We hope that his faith is not built on castles of air. He has only attempted to express what many others feel. The road, if run, will be of great benefit to the county, and especially to the town of Snow Hill. Let the good work go on.

Washington, Jan. 18.—The United States supreme court again today reaffirmed the ruling made in the case of Carter vs the state of Texas, to the effect that the exclusion of negroes from grand juries in cases involving criminal charges against members of their race is a violation of the constitution, and therefore not permissible.

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For Infants and Children.
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In Honor of Lee's Birthday.

On Tuesday afternoon, Jan. 19th the A. M. Waddell Chapter United Daughters of the Confederacy gave a reception at the beautiful home of Mrs. C. Felix Harvey, on north Queen street, from 4 to 6 o'clock in celebration of the anniversary of the birth of Gen. Robt. E. Lee. This home never appeared in more tasteful decorations; Confederate flags were there in abundance, stately palms and graceful ferns on every hand.

Mrs. Harvey received the guests in her usual cordial manner; Miss Woodley served delightful frappe in the hall. After an hour spent most pleasantly in social intercourse in the library, Dr. H. D. Harper, Sr., announced that Mrs. Plato Collins would read an original sketch on the life of Gen. Lee. This sketch was full of love for Lee and abounded in historic facts telling of the days of the war.

Dr. Harper then, in a few well chosen words presented crosses of honor to two veterans, Mr. Jas. A. Pridden and Mr. J. W. Harrell. The badges were pinned on by Master Felix Harvey. The guests were then invited into the dining room where delightful refreshments were served, consisting of ices in the form of Confederate flags, and cakes. Thus ended one of the most delightful social events of the season, and each Daughter departed with a feeling of sincere gratitude to Mrs. Harvey for such a pleasant afternoon.

At The Theater.

The Cusack-Sidney company, that is to appear at the Opera House Jan. 26th, contains some of the best actors ever seen in this city. The following criticism is from the Scranton (Pa.) Times:
"Our theatre-goers were given a rare treat last night at the Lyceum theatre. Miss Clara Sidney, of the Adelphi theatre, London, was seen to splendid advantage, and proved herself one of the leading comedienne of the day. Her beauty, vivacity, charm of voice and personality make her performance a delight to eye and ear. She can wring smiles from a tombstone."

SPENCER'S EAR PLUGS.

The Way the Great Philosopher Hid Himself of Small Talk.

"Years ago," says William H. Hudson in the North American Review, "Herbert Spencer found that the effect of following ordinary conversation became frequently too much for him. But he liked to have people about him to watch the play of expression on their faces, to feel that, though he could not himself share much in the merriment, he was, as it were, a part of the normal and healthy social world. For this reason he objected to withdrawal into solitude and evolved a plan by which he might secure the partial isolation which he required. He had a circular spring made to go round the back of his head, and this carried pads which fitted firmly upon the ears, effectively deadening the noise about him and reducing the surrounding chatter to a mere hum. I have often seen him, stretched at length upon his couch, follow with apparent interest the gossip over the afternoon tea cups up to a certain point and then, reaching under his pillow, draw forth and adjust his instrument, thus suddenly detaching himself from his environment. The effect of this movement with comparative strangers was always to cause an instant cessation of the conversation. But this was precisely what Spencer did not wish. 'Go on talking,' he would exclaim, with a quizzical look. 'I can't hear what you are saying, you know!'"

Girls Kept in Cages.

It is said that the people of New Britain have a peculiar custom of confining their girls in cages until they reach marriageable age. These cages are built of wood cut from the palm tree and are inside the rude houses. Outside each house is a fence of wickerwork made of reeds. The girls are caged at the age of two or three and are never allowed to go out of the house, yet they seem strong and healthy.

Where Three is a Crowd.

Tom—I suppose you spent a pleasant evening with your best girl.
Dick—Pleasant? Huh! A fellow can't make love to his girl in a crowd.
Tom—Oh, was there a crowd there?
Dick—Yes, and the chump didn't have sense enough to realize that he wasn't wanted.—Chicago Tribune.

Perverse.

He—Won't you let me give you just one kiss before I go?
She—Will just one satisfy you?
He—Yes, darling.
She—Then I won't give it to you.

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NORTH STATE NEWS

Clipped and Called From Our North Carolina Exchanges.

ODD AND INTERESTING HAPPENINGS

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

Wednesday afternoon a special ran over a lever car at Nebo on the Salisbury route of the Southern and killed a section foreman named Anderson.

The Methodist Orphanage at Raleigh has received a bequest of two tracts of land in Alabama, each of forty acres, given by Samuel P. Cross, formerly of Gatesville, this State.

Capt. Otto Genuasta, a plumber, came near being asphyxiated at Washington Thursday morning while repairing a gas main. He was found unconscious. His condition is still precarious.

In the supreme court at Raleigh Z. F. Long, a distiller, of Rockingham, was convicted of shipping whiskey to prohibition territory, and was fined \$1 and costs. He appeals. Long waived a jury trial, and the judge found him guilty. This decision makes the place of delivery the place of sale and was rendered by Judge Brown. It is direct opposition to the opinion handed down by Judge Cook, in Durham last week.

The executive committee of the North Carolina press association held a business session at Salisbury Wednesday. It was decided that the next annual session of the association shall be held in St. Louis May 16th. Salisbury will be the starting point and the North Carolina editors will travel in Pullman cars. President H. B. Varner of the association expects to leave for St. Louis to perfect arrangements for the body.

Chas. C. McDonald, who was tried this week in Raleigh for the second time, on the charge of embezzling funds from the supreme lodge, Knights of Honor, was acquitted. The defense this time was that McDonald was not an officer of the supreme lodge, and that there was no evidence of wilful or felonious withholding of the dues. At the first trial he was convicted and sentenced to three years on the public roads but the supreme court granted him a new trial. The jury acquitted him Thursday afternoon.

Six Years for "Sassing" Judge.

Raleigh, Jan. 20.—Charles Alexander, a negro desperado was this afternoon convicted of murdering way-laying, assaulting and robbing a fourteen year old negro boy in the woods near here, while the boy was driving a carriage. Alexander was sentenced to four years in the penitentiary, but as he was being taken from the court room, he said: "You had better make it ten years." Judge Brown called him back and added a year to the sentence for this impudence. Then several witnesses, one of them an old woman, said Alexander had threatened to kill them. The solicitor said this was true. Thereupon the judge gave Alexander five years more.

NOW IS THE TIME TO USE HYOMEL.

Cures Catarrh and Prevents Colds. No Stomach Dosing, Just Breathe It.

At this season of the year, catarrhal troubles are very prevalent, and nearly every person suffers to a certain extent. Catarrh is actually the result of a succession of colds and can be easily prevented if the proper treatment is followed.

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