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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.

Danville, Va., Nov. 2.—Mrs. E. W. Barrett, wife of the editor of the Birmingham Age Herald, died here tonight at the home of her grandmother, Mrs. W. T. Sutherland. She leaves an infant daughter six days old.

At Norfolk, Va., Wednesday, Mrs. Samuel Levin mistook a physician's order and gave her two year old boy an overdose of worm seed oil. The child died and the mother is on the verge of losing her mind from grief.

The state department has received a cablegram from the American embassy at St. Petersburg which warrants it in the assumption that the Russian government will soon agree to recognize passports of American Jews travelling in Russia.

Boston, Mass., Nov. 3.—At least 25 persons were injured during a clash between students of the Massachusetts Institute of Technology and police reserves shortly after midnight. Of the number twenty were students. Most of the injuries consisted of scalp wounds and body bruises. Four students and four officers were seriously injured as to necessitate their removal to hospitals.

Norfolk, Va., Nov. 2.—The weather bureau's cable from Nag's Head to Manteo, Roanoke Island, North Carolina, opened at half-past six this evening. The first message was a greeting from the Manteo chamber of commerce to the chief of the weather bureau in Washington. The laying of the cable is in line with the extensive improvements the government has undertaken in the service between Norfolk and Hatteras.

Augusta, Ga., Nov. 2.—A steady rain this afternoon and tonight put an end to the longest fall drought in this part of the state and for many miles around in South Carolina, on record. There has not been a soaking rain since the middle of July and no appreciable rainfall since August. The Savannah river is below four feet in the day time, and navigation to Savannah has been stopped for more than two months causing great hardship to cotton shippers.

St. Louis, Nov. 2.—While Captain Baldwin of San Francisco, inventor of the California Arrow airship, and several assistants were returning the airship from the place it landed in St. Louis county after its unsuccessful flight, to the world's fair aeronautic course, the lead rope was dragged from the hands of the Baldwin's assistants and the airship broke loose and soared into the air. When last seen, the airship was drifting rapidly in a northwesterly direction.

St. Petersburg, Nov. 2.—The Associated Press can authoritatively announce that the basis for the British-Russian agreement to submit the North Sea incident to a commission insures an amicable settlement without a sequel. The understanding is complete. Great Britain expressed her intention of asking that a United States naval officer sit on the commission, whereupon Russia announced that she would select a French officer. There is a strong intimation that Great Britain will invite Admiral Dewey to be one of the commission.

The Good Old Way.
A severe cold or attack of la grippe is like a fire, the sooner you combat it the better your chances are to overpower it. But few mothers in this age are willing to do the necessary work required to give a good old-fashioned reliable treatment such as would be administered by their grandmothers, backed by Boschee's German Syrup, which was always liberally used in connection with the home treatment of colds and is still in greater household favor than any known remedy. But even without the application of the old-fashioned aid German Syrup will cure a severe cold in quick time. It will cure colds in children or grown people. It relieves the congested organs, allays the irritation, and effectively stops the cough. Any child will take it. It is invaluable in a household of children. Trial size bottle, 25c; regular size, 75c. For sale by J. E. Hood & Co.

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THE FIRST DIRECTORY.

It Was Issued in England in Queen Elizabeth's Reign.

The first directory dates from 1595, Queen Elizabeth's reign. A copy of it is in the British museum, entitled "The Names of All Such Gentlemen of Accompts as Were Residing Within the City of London."

The next does not seem to have appeared for nearly a hundred years. It was called "A Collection of the Names of Merchants Living In and About the City of London." This was printed for Lee, Lombard street, in 1677. The names were arranged alphabetically, 1,790 in number. In a separate list were the names of no fewer than forty-four bankers under this heading, "Goldsmiths who keep running cashes," twenty-three of them being then in Lombard street. This book contains the name of the father of Pope, the poet.

The first directory, expressly so called, was compiled by Brown in 1732, who soon issued it annually and realized through it a large fortune. The earliest postoffice directory appeared in 1800, and successive volumes have been brought out yearly ever since.—London Telegraph.

THE CURFEW BELL.

Originally Rung Morning and Evening to Give the Time of Day.

The story of the curfew was but the unsupported assertion of one historian of the sixteenth century, which was repeated in prose and poetry till it was woven into the language. Like many other legends, there is just a grain of truth in it, but its suggested origin is false, the derivation of curfew is erroneous, and the scuttle shaped instruments which supported the theory were quite different articles of household use.

Probably the word is derived not from *curve feu*, cover fire, but from *carrefour*, in old French spelling *car-fou*, from the Latin for crossroads, and is the name of the morning and evening bell, which originally sounded from the crossroads or market places both in France and England simply to give the time of day. It was and is rung at 4 or 6 o'clock in the morning and at 8 o'clock in the evening. One inscription on an old bell runs thus:

I am called ye Curfew bell,
I ringen at VIII or more,
To send ye alle to bedde,
And wake ye up at IV.

—Pearson's Weekly.

DEEP SEA LEVEL.

Its Changes Illustrated in the Case of the Mediterranean.

Changes in the level of the sea are well shown in the case of the Mediterranean. M. Ph. Negrin in a brochure presented to the Academy of Science furnishes interesting information on this point, it being apparent that the sea has greatly increased in depth as compared to ancient times. Formerly a bridge 3,000 feet long united Lencate to the continent. Today it is submerged, but the foundations of the work were discovered eleven feet beneath the surface. It may therefore be concluded that since the construction of the bridge the sea has risen at this point over nine feet.

In the bay of Amphissa, Greece, there has been observed a mole that is over nine feet beneath the surface. At Rhenez there has been found a completely submerged dock, evidently of Roman construction, the depth of the sea above the dock at places being fully nine feet.

From all of these facts one may conclude that there has taken place an important increase in the depth of the sea since the Roman period, the Mediterranean having risen at least nine feet in about 2,000 years.

Doing Nothing.

Weary Willie—I'm a victim of police persecution, lady, dat's what I am. Why, de first time I was arrested I wasn't doin' nothin' at all. Mrs. Goodart—Poor fellow. Here's a dime for you. And what charge did they trump up against you? Weary Willie—Vagrancy.—Philadelphia Press.

Helping Along the Joke.

"These," said the epicure to the bright Philadelphia girl, "are snails. I suppose Philadelphia people don't eat them for fear of cannibalism."
"Oh, no," was the answer. "It isn't that. We couldn't catch them."
—Washington Star.

The hand that has a long time held a violet doth not soon forego its fragrance.

"It's a woman ever gets so 'homely' she isn't worth looking at, she'd better take Hollister's Rocky Mountain Tea. Brings back the bloom of youth. 35 cents, Tea or Tablets. J. E. Hood & Co.

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A BOLD, UNITED DEMOCRACY

Marching to Triumphant Victory in the State, County and Nation.

REPUBLICANS SCARED AND ON THE RUN

Enthusiastic Thousands Cheer Parker in New York and Encouraging News from All Parts of the Country.—County Ticket Safe by Large Majority.

On the eve of the election, with only a few more days in which the contending forces of the two great parties in the nation can battle, the Democratic party presents for the first time in years a united front and is waging the most aggressive warfare against the Republican party it has been possible to wage in years and, it can be said with truth and certainty, with the most gratifying results, according to the reports from all parts of the country. The bold and aggressive stand taken by Judge Parker and his activity and the unbounded enthusiasm with which he has been greeted on his every appearance this, the last week, of the campaign has served to drive the Republicans into a state of hysterical panic in New York and they are kept busy on the defensive.

The reports from all parts of the country are brighter and decidedly more encouraging than they have been at any time during the campaign and the outlook for Democratic success in the election of a chief magistrate who will serve the interests of all the people with proper regard for the constitution is not now considered mere rainbow chasing, but is viewed by the Republicans with increasing alarm and the tactics to which they are resorting in doubtful states bespeaks the desperate straits in which they find themselves.

Speaking to thousands and tens of thousands nightly in New York and vicinity we hear of the mighty wave of approval that greets Judge Parker's utterances and the echoes resounding throughout the country gather strength in their progress and lend encouragement to the Democratic forces all over country. The materially lessened odds in the betting world, the frantic efforts of the Republicans to arouse an apathetic partisanship in upper New York state by holding nightly mass meetings in 500 small towns in the rural districts of that state, the flooding of Indiana with money only equalled by the Dudley "blocks-of-five" debauchery of 1888, the terrible efforts to retain the 7 votes of West Virginia and many other panic stricken evidences are significant and to the observant betokens a fright in Republican ranks that has not been noticeable in recent years and shows that the G. O. P. is on the run.

To the Democratic voters in this section THE FREE PRESS would bring the glad tidings of an active, militant national Democracy, marching to a triumphant victory at the polls in November and urge upon our people to bestir themselves that the protest in this county against Rooseveltism be almost unanimous. To do this is a duty devolving upon every Democrat in the county who feels a pride in his southern ancestry; through whose veins there DID NOT "run a streak of brutal barbarism" as President Roosevelt charged and would have you believe.

So much for national politics and in the State Democracy an even greater reason exists that all who desire the continuance of the peaceful, quiet, economical and good government that has been brought about by the Democratic party and is possible only through their administration of affairs, should give their approval by their vote and make the endorsement of that same good government such a large majority in the State that no encouragement would be given those who are eager and ever ready to bring on a return to old disgraceful conditions that existed before the negro was eliminated from politics.

In the county campaign we find the Democratic party more united by far on the eve of the election than at the beginning of the campaign, because after a canvass by both sides it is readily seen by the people that the same old Republican party had nothing new to offer and the small dissatisfactions held by some few have melted away and been forgotten in the greater danger that menaced them in the possibility of a return to power of the party which only leaves disgrace and disaster in its wake.

The Republicans of the county, mistaking the slight murmurings of some few for a popular uprising against the Democratic party and presuming upon their ability to sufficiently shape and organize it and thereby float in power on it; placed a ticket in the field in this county, and now just before the election they, finding that what they expected is not to materialize, because their action only served to frighten back Democrats into the fold, by their actions if not by their words over themselves badly beaten.

It has been the contention of this paper all the time that the entire Democratic county ticket will receive majorities ranging from 600 to 1000 and the cause is gaining strength every day, but we still urge upon all Democrats and those interested in a continuance of good government to go to the polls next Tuesday and do their duty, both as to voting themselves and seeing to it that their neighbor and friend does the same and the majority for the grand old Democratic party in Lenoir county will be at least 1,000.

Vicious Attack on Judge Winston Refuted

While the Republicans in the State have not the faintest hope of victory, it is said they are depending on some Democrats to give them comfort midst the sting of their defeat by scratching Judge F. D. Winston, the Democratic nominee for lieutenant governor. We think even in this they will be disappointed. Surely no Democrat could be so misguided, if he gives the matter a moment's serious thought.

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BOARD OF ALDERMEN

Met Wednesday Night in Regular Session at the Mayor's Office.

\$24 TAX PLACED ON BOWLING ALLEYS

Geo. W. Rhodes, an Ex-Confederate Soldier, Allowed to Peddle in Kinston Without License.

The board of aldermen met Wednesday night and transacted the following business:

Geo. W. Rhodes, an ex-Confederate soldier was granted the privilege to peddle in the streets of Kinston without a license.

A tax of \$24 was put on bowling alleys.

Robt. A. Brown, a cripple, was released from paying poll tax.

It was moved and carried that the town bear half the expense of getting an apparatus for fumigating houses in which infectious diseases had been.

It was ordered that on, and after Dec. 1, the police be required to wear uniforms, and that town pay half the purchase price of the same.

POLICE REPORT.

Chief Taylor made 18 arrests, two to be carried to the superior court, imposed fines to the amount of \$8.30, and collected \$2.26 in fines previously imposed.

Police Howland made 23 arrests, three of which will be carried to the superior court, imposed fines to the amount of \$15.12, and collected \$9.16 in fines previously imposed.

Police Heath made 7 arrests, two of which will be carried to the superior court, imposed fines to the amount of \$4.60 and collected \$2.12 in fines previously imposed.

Police Dunn made one arrest, imposed fines to the amount of 5 cents, and collected \$1.05 in fines previously imposed.

DISPENSARY REPORT.

Stock in storage room,	\$ 1103.24
Stock in sales room,	4540.13
Bottles, corks and barrels,	860.00
Furniture and fixtures,	182.45
Railroad and other claims,	51.52
Cash on hand,	399.74
	\$ 8145.08

Liabilities.

Bills payable,	\$ 5717.90
Surplus,	2427.18
	\$ 8145.08

CLERK'S REPORT.

Gen. property and poll tax	\$ 341.18
Privilege license	259.90
Sale cemetery lots	25.00
E. L. rental	626.15
E. L. construction	419.78
Water rental	102.30
Sale of lamps	2.40
Sale of iron pipe	2.74
Dispensary profits, 3rd quarter	4400.12
	\$6207.55

TREASURER'S REPORT.

Treasurer Moseley reported receipts and disbursements for the month of September as follows:

RECEIPTS.

Cash from Clerk Mewborne,	\$ 4400.12
Cash received from Clerk Mewborne	1807.43
	\$ 6207.55

DISBURSEMENTS.

By amount overdrawn	\$ 1826.69
Salary account	75.00
Cemetery account	40.00
Half dispensary profits to county schools fund	2200.00
Expense account	3.70
Fire department account	78.34
Garbage account	127.26
Police account	158.00
Street account	224.00
Interest on bonds	75.00
Electric light department	674.46
Cash on hand	1725.04
Total	\$ 6207.55

Aged Man Dies.

LaGrange, Nov. 3, 1904.
Mr. Wiley Gurganus, aged about 93 years old, died at his home near LaGrange, Wednesday morning. The funeral service was held in the Baptist church Thursday afternoon and the remains interred in Fair View cemetery.

Rev. Mr. Oldham, his pastor, officiated at the funeral. Mr. Gurganus was a peaceable and upright citizen, he was the oldest man in this community, if not in the county.

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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.

Two negro children were burned to death in a fire near Tarboro Thursday afternoon which burned up a house and a cotton gin.

A number of cases of smallpox exist in Washington, N. C. among both races, but the cases are well looked after and everything possible is being done to prevent the disease from spreading.

Suit was commenced in the Yancey county superior county Wednesday by Mrs. Pressnel against the Southern Railway for \$20,000 damages. Mrs. Pressnel's son, David Houston, was killed there several months ago while in the employ of the company.

The Waccamaw Land and Lumber Company, of Michigan capitalists, who recently purchased the famous Green Swamp land embracing about 175,000 acres of virgin land in Brunswick, Bladen and Columbus counties, Thursday obtained control of the Chadbourne Mill property in Wilmington.

Two men walked into the office of Wm. Johnson, Jr., in the heart of Asheville, and demanded, at the point of a pistol, that Mr. D. E. Penland, an employee of the firm, open the safe in the office. Mr. Penland said he did not know the combination, so the men took his pocketbook containing \$8.00 then they backed to the door, fired at Mr. Penland, narrowly missing his head, then vanished. It is believed that the men although appearing to be negroes, were really white men in disguise.

Fined a Dollar Each.

Asheville, N. C., Nov. 3.—Thomas Settle and Homer Cathey, who last evening engaged in a personal encounter in the lobby of the Hotel Berkeley, were given a hearing before a magistrate today and fined \$1 and costs.

A witness of the affair said today that Mr. Cathey did not kick Mr. Settle, but that the latter slipped on the steps. Neither of the combatants show any effects of the fight except a few scratches. The affair has created considerable talk and the friends of both gentlemen regret the occurrence.

Globe Tonic is highly recommended by all who use it, both here and elsewhere.

MORE THAN FAIR

Read J. E. Hood & Co's. Guarantee Bond that Mi-o-na Will Cure the Worst Case of Dyspepsia.

The unique plan on which Mi-o-na is sold is more than fair. Unless it cures dyspepsia and all forms of stomach trouble, the purchase price is returned at once in accordance with the following guarantee bond:

GUARANTEE.
J. E. Hood & Co. guarantee to refund the money paid for Mi-o-na on return of the empty box, if the purchaser tells us that it has failed to cure dyspepsia or stomach troubles. This guarantee covers two 50c boxes, or a month's treatment.
(Signed) J. E. Hood & Co.

The decision as to whether Mi-o-na costs you anything or not, rests entirely with you and your word decides the whole matter.

Many cases of seemingly chronic and incurable stomach trouble in Kinston have been cured by this simple medicine, aptly termed nature's remedy for dyspepsia.

If it were not practically infallible in curing dyspepsia and the melancholy, sleeplessness, and weak nerves caused by that disease, J. E. Hood & Co. could not afford to sell the remedy in this way. Their faith in the medicine is so implicit that this guarantee bond is given with every box they sell.

Begin the use of Mi-o-na today, as a few day's treatment will give relief and its continued use, perfect health.

Call at Loftin's old bank building and get a free sample of Globe Tonic.

When once liberated within your system, it produces a most wonderful effect. It's worth one's last dollar to feel the pleasure of life that comes by taking Hollister's Rocky Mountain Tea. J. E. Hood & Co.

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