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TELEGRAPHIC FLASHES.

BIRMINGHAM, March 1.—A special from Talladega, Ala., gives an account of a storm which passed over there yesterday. It made a path about one hundred miles wide, and destruction marks its entire course. Fortunately it did not pass through the thickly populated part of the town, but the scene along its path beggars description. Houses were blown down and chimneys and even beams and rafters carried for a considerable distance. Trees were snapped off like pipe-stems or torn from the ground by the roots. Cows, horses and other domestic animals were killed, and a number of persons living in the houses blown down were seriously injured, but none fatally.

Speaker Reed Declines the Invitation.

WASHINGTON, March 1.—Just before the shooting affair at the capitol yesterday Speaker Reed showed to Representative Stewart, of Vermont, a letter which he had addressed to Representative Caruth. Mr. Stewart thought the letter was too good to keep private and gave its contents to several colleagues through whom, in turn, it reached the press, to the discomfiture of the Speaker.

The letter reads as follows: "Dear Mr. Caruth: I shall not accept the invitation tendered me by the Blue Grass Club. The reason is very simple. I notice that Jay F. Durham is its President. Now Jay F. Durham assured me, during the late discussions, that if they had me in Kentucky they would kill me. Knowing said Durham to be a journalist, his declarations to me impart absolute verity. I do not wish to be killed, especially in Kentucky, where such an event is too common to attract attention. For a good man to die anywhere, is of course, a gain, but I think I can make more by dying later and elsewhere. Yours truly, T. B. Reed."

Shot by a Reporter.

WASHINGTON, Feb. 28.—In the corridor of the house just now, ex-Congressman Taubee was shot through the head by Charles Kincaid, a correspondent of the Louisville Times.

Both men are Kentuckians and the trouble was caused by the ex-Congressman pulling the correspondent's nose for publishing a certain statement in regard to him. The shooting occurred just out of the Capitol near the Southwestern entrance to the building. Taubee was shot in the head and his wound is serious. He was taken to his boarding house. Kincaid was arrested and lodged in New Jersey Avenue Police Station where he is charged with assault with intent to kill. Kincaid is a slight and insignificant-looking man of about 35 years of age. He was formerly Judge in one of Louisville's Courts and his family is one of the best known in Kentucky. Taubee is about 39 years of age and is tall, sinewy and strong. He represented one of the mountain districts of Kentucky in the Forty-ninth and Fiftieth Congresses.

PETERSBURG, Va., Feb. 28, 1890. Henry Moore, the negro murderer whose sentence was commuted by Gov. McKinney to imprisonment in the penitentiary for life, was carried over to that institution by sheriff Lee, of Greenbush county, this morning. A large crowd of Moore's friends went down to the depot to see him. He "jacked to the front" his hat was the telegram which he received on Wednesday notifying him that his sentence had been commuted to life imprisonment. At the depot he created quite a sensation by addressing the large crowd of negroes present, telling them that the white people were their best friends, and to vote with them in the future. If they wanted friends, the white people were the ones to go to. Moore has been a good prisoner during his confinement in the city jail, and has fastened 30 or 40 pounds. Moore was to have been hanged to day, and his escape from the gallows makes him positively as shown by his conduct, one of the happiest of beings.

The Astor Estate.

The Astor estate is probably the richest private estate in the world. The only other comparable with it in that respect is the estate of the Duke of Westminster, though the Duke's income is probably much less. Several years ago the Astor income was computed from a careful examination of the tax lists at least one million dollars a month. In the estate there were 2,700 dwelling houses alone, of an estimated average rental value of \$2,000 per year, to say nothing of the vast amount of business property and the personality. The estimated income of \$12,000,000 a year would therefore seem to be not excessive. The newspapers have spoken of the estate as second in value to that of the Trinity Corporation, but there is a great mistake. Bishop Potter explained, not long ago, that the extent of the Trinity property was greatly exaggerated, and instead of being worth \$100 millions, as so frequently reported, it is only about \$5,000,000, if we remember rightly. —New York Sun.

Railroad Accident.

There was a damaging wreck on the Air Line road Sunday morning. The north bound freight train was running in two sections. The first section carried two carloads of negroes, who were engaged as bridge builders. As the first section was going up a grade near Spawnes, Ga., a coupling broke. The cars thus detached lost speed, until the second section ran into them. A number of the negroes were caught in the timbers of the wrecked cars, and were considerably injured, but none were killed. Fire broke out and several cars were burned, and the engine badly damaged.

RICHMOND, Va., March 1.—A young man named T. G. Wilson, employed as an operator in the Western Union Telegraph Office at Seattle, Washington, failed to appear for duty Tuesday morning. Investigation as to the cause led to sensational developments. A deputy sheriff had arrived from Virginia with a requisition on Governor Ferry by the Governor of Virginia for the young man's arrest on a charge of betraying a girl in Richmond. Wilson since his arrival in Seattle, has become engaged to a prominent young lady of that city. He was warned of the officer's approach and skipped for British Columbia. The crime for which the young man is wanted is of old standing. He was arrested in Colorado, but was released on habeas corpus. The ruined girl's father is bound to bring him to justice.

A brakeman who was caught between two cars the other day was describing his sufferings to his wife. "Why," she exclaimed, "that's just the way it feels when you are breaking in a new pair of corsets."

How to Beautify a Waxed Floor. Wax floors afford so much better an effect than those that are given a hard oil finish that the labor of keeping them in condition should not be allowed to weigh against their adoption. Whilst repolishing with weighted brushes, previously sprinkling on the surface white wax dissolved in alcohol, not only are scratches removed, but the wax is steadily improved, obtaining in the end a most mirror-like finish. The practice of master house painters in waxing floors varies considerably. An excellent method is to apply to the floor a thin coat of wax and shellac, and after a slight rubbing, let it stand to harden; then to give it a coating of more wax, rubbing up to a polish. This will render a floor beautiful, even without rugs, and it can be both danced and walked on.

How Women Can Avoid Taking Cold. An exchange, commenting upon the terrible risk to which women expose themselves by removing underwear for evening parties, notices that it is surprising how seldom colds are taken. A prominent physician accounts for it with the theory that the excitement attendant upon the excitement of a social event accelerates the circulation. He further states that if the flannel skirts, whatever is usually worn, is kept about the lower part of the body instead of being removed entirely, the chances for taking cold are reduced to a minimum. This can easily be done by turning the underwear upside down and drawing it to the upper edge of the corset. Do this, keep a pretty light wrap near you to throw about your shoulders when not dancing, if the rooms are chilly, and wrap up warmly going to and fro and you will never suffer any inconvenience from what is termed "imprudent exposure."

A Convenient Mending Basket. A most useful and convenient mending basket may be made out of a peach or one of the ordinary willow baskets used for waste paper. Fasten two pieces of rope for handles, one on each side. Line the inside with Turkey red twill, measuring around the top of the basket smoothly for the width; for the length measure from the bottom of the basket to the top and add a quarter of a yard. A deep hem is made in the top and gathered in with a draw string, this covers the contents of the basket and keeps the dust out. Six pockets, more or less as one desires, are fastened around the outer edge of the basket, for cotton, tape, scissors, needles and pins, in fact all useful articles for sewing and mending. The outside of the basket may be painted or gilded according to taste.

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The inauguration of the first Democratic Governor Iowa has had in 40 years is full of suggestiveness to the political leaders of Pennsylvania. Who believe they can pursue the old methods and present the old thread bare issues and expect unbroken success at the polls. Iowa was once considered the Gibraltar of Republicanism.—Philadelphia Times.

Best Thing He Ever Saw.

The following is an extract from a letter written by Mr. D. A. Reynolds, editor and proprietor of the Herald, Lyons, Mich., under date of January 11th, 1890: You will observe that I have given your advertisement position on the first page of the Herald; while other proprietary medicines have had to take the run of the paper. The reason for doing this is, that upon receiving your "copy" a number of the cures effected seemed similar to that of which my little son was suffering, a case of bowel poison, or irritable sores breaking out all over his body. The day he is entirely free from disease, and one bottle of Swift's Specific (S. S. S.) did the work. Now this is the reason for giving you a position, as I consider Swift's Specific (S. S. S.) the best medicine I ever saw. I wish you unlimited success in your business. The above is a sample of letters which are coming to us all the time. S. S. S. is nearer infallible than any remedy made, and has probably done more good than any medicine known to mankind. We will mail a Treatise on Blood and Skin Diseases to all who will send their address. SWIFT SPECIFIC CO., Atlanta, Ga.

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Four hundred convicts are at work on the extension of the C. F. & Y. Y. Railroad above Mt. Airy.—Greensboro Patriot.

Administrator's Notice!

Having qualified before the Probate Court of Richmond county, an administrator of the estate of Thomas J. Huntley, deceased, I hereby notify all persons having claims against the estate of said decedent, to present them to me, on or before the day of March, 1891, for payment of this notice will be paid in bar of their recovery. All persons indebted to said decedent will make immediate payment to me. This 4th February, 1889. A. C. SHAW, Administrator of the Estate of Thomas J. Huntley, deceased.

NORTH CAROLINA Superior Court.

Anderson vs. Anderson. This is a civil action for a divorce. The defendant, Anderson, is hereby notified to appear at the next term of the Superior Court of Richmond county, to be held at the Court House in Rocky Hill, after the first Monday in March, 1890, and demur or answer to the complaint which will be deposited in the office of the Clerk of the Superior Court within the first three days of said term, or the relief asked for will be granted. This 15th Feb. 1890. Z. F. LONG, Clerk Superior Court Richmond county.

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STATE OF NORTH CAROLINA Superior Court.

Eliaz & Cohen, Plaintiffs, vs. E. C. Robinson, Defendant. This is a motion by the plaintiffs for leave to issue execution on a judgment recovered by them against the defendant on the 14th day of January, 1890, before H. C. Wall, a Justice of the Peace for said county, and duly docketed in the Superior Court for county, for \$79.50 and interests and costs. The defendant is required to appear at the office of the Clerk of the Superior Court of Richmond county on the 12th day of March, 1890, and show cause why execution should not be issued in said judgment. This January 25th, 1890. J. F. LONG, Clerk of the Superior Court of Richmond County. Burch & Gorman, Attorneys for Plaintiffs.

Mr. Jonathan Havens has sold Mr. William Dunn one hundred pecan trees. Mr. Dunn purposes planting them upon his truck farm. They are an exceedingly profitable tree. Mr. Dunn knows a good thing when he meets with it.—New Berne Journal.

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