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GENERAL NEWS.

Japan, through Minister Kurino, has expressed her appreciation of the good offices exercised by the United States during the war in China.

Katachi, on the Island of Formosa, has been captured by the Japanese, who have demanded the unconditional surrender of the Black Flags.

Senator Morgan, Chairman of the Senate Committee on Foreign Relations, says the United States should do nothing to prevent Russia from extending the Siberian railroad through China.

The Mexican National Exposition and Land Company, which expects to hold a great international show in the City of Mexico in 1898, has been incorporated under the laws of New Jersey.

Another chapter of absorbing historical interest, Major-General Nelson A. Miles's coming book, "From New England to the Golden Gate," is published in the North American Review for November, and deals with "Our Acquisition of Territory."

Nearly \$400,000 is the amount obtained from the bicycle tax this year by the French Government, the number of machines declared being just under 200,000. They are well spread over the whole country, since Paris and the Department of the Seine returns \$8,000 less than a fifth of the total.

The Supreme Court of Indiana has held that the law compelling railroads to announce the time of arrival of trains at stations and to state when they are behind time is valid. The Pennsylvania lines resisted the law because it seemingly required posting such notices even where there was no telegraph office. The court held that the law will be in operation only where practicable and that the law is uniform and proper.

The North American Review for November opens with a unique article by Austin Corbin, entitled "Quick Transit Between New York and London." It discusses the popular demand for the shortest possible sea passage between New York and London, and strives to show how a line of steamers plying between Fort Pond Bay on Long Island, N. Y., and Mil-Haven in Wales, would achieve the desired result.

The attention of those who are suffering with the Cuban recognition colic is respectfully called to the following weighty words of Hon. John T. Morgan, chairman of the Senate committee on Foreign Relations: "Any recognition of the belligerency on our part would result in causing our merchant vessels to be subjected to search, and that would give a great deal of anxiety and trouble, and there is no doubt that eventually such a course would result in a war between the United States and Spain. It may as well be understood that when we recognize the belligerency of the Cubans we should draw the sword." Senator Morgan thinks that if the United States wants Cuba it ought to go about getting it in an open and manly way, not by provoking war with a comparatively weak power like Spain, but by offering to purchase the island.

Senator Harris, president pro tem of the Senate, is confident that the republicans will not control the Senate during the fifty-fourth Congress. Speaking of changes that must necessarily be made, he said: "I am in favor of the two parties appointing committees which shall meet and agree upon a just and equitable organization of the Senate with a view of conducting the business of the body properly. The vacancies on committees must be filled and the new Senators must be assigned to committee, places, but I am not in favor of making a combination with the populist party for the control of the Senate, by which their demands are to be met. I do not think the republican Senators will be willing to make such a combination. In a Senate itself, to agree upon an organization just and equitable to all, and that I am confident the Senate will do in a manner creditable to itself as a legislative body."

Luther League of America.

PITTSBURG, Nov. 1.—The State societies of the Lutheran Church in session here have formed a national organization under the name of the Luther League of America. Meetings will be held biennially.

THE MURRILL CASE S'MORE.

Mrs. May Murrill D'Anna Thomson Deprived the Custody of Her Child.

THIS IS A SAD BUT NOT OUR AFFAIR.

We Recognize Facts and Record Them Accordingly, for the Benefit of Our Readers, Which They Will Also Recognize.

Within the last two weeks the people of Hickory have witnessed one of those woeful shipwrecks that strew the shores of time—the spectacle of parents warring for the possession of the little child who has become a source of discord and strife instead of a bond of sympathy and union between them. The readers of the PRESS AND CAROLINIAN have already learned how Mrs. C. P. Thompson seized her son Hugh D'Anna in this city and attempted to carry him away to Washington city, out of the custody of his father Severio D'Anna. Prof. D'Anna obtained a writ of habeas corpus from Judge Timberlake commanding Mrs. Thompson to appear before His Honor in Louisburg, N. C. and show cause why she had taken the boy. On Monday night Oct. 28th. the party, consisting of Mr. and Mrs. C. P. Thompson, their attorneys, Messrs. S. C. Ervin and C. M. McCorkle, Hugh D'Anna, Prof. D'Anna, his attorney, Thos. M. Hufham, and sheriff C. L. Hawn, left by the vestibule for the home of Judge Timberlake. At Greensboro, which point was reached about eleven o'clock, a gentleman came to Sheriff Hawn and stated that a plot had been formed by Mr. and Mrs. Thompson to covertly convey the child through the window of the sleeping car and carry him to Washington on another train. However no such attempt was made and the entire party arrived in Louisburg at half-past two o'clock on Tuesday afternoon. The hearing began at four o'clock. The remainder of the day was consumed by the reading of affidavits for the plaintiff, Prof. D'Anna. In addition to his regular attorneys, Cilley and Hufham, Prof. D'Anna employed T. W. Bickett, esq., of Louisburg to assist in the argument. On Wednesday morning the defendant's affidavits were heard. The evidence on the part of Prof. D'Anna set up the bad character of Mr. and Mrs. Thompson and his own good reputation.

The defendant, on her part, accused D'Anna of cruelty and defuded herself against his charges. It also appeared that Hugh had been placed under the care of Mrs. Alice Murrill in Hickory, upon the advice of physicians that since coming here his condition has materially improved.

The case for the plaintiff was opened by Mr. T. W. Bickett. Messrs. C. M. McCorkle and S. J. Ervin followed for the defendant, Thos. M. Hufham closed in behalf of the plaintiff. On Thursday Judge rendered his decision in favor of Prof. D'Anna and restored the child to his father. The judgment finds the following facts (1.) That C. P. Thompson is a drunkard, a gambler and a spend-thrift and that no child would be safe in his hands. (2.) That Mrs. D'Anna is a woman of high character. (3.) That Severio D'Anna is a man of irreproachable character and in every way a suitable person to have the care and custody of the boy Hugh. (4.) That the boy's wants are carefully provided for in his present situation and that he has everything necessary for his welfare. The decree further directs that the mother shall see the boy whenever she wishes, first applying to the Sheriff of Catawba county; and that the boy should not be removed from North Carolina for two years.

When Mrs. D'Anna filed her application for divorce, Prof. D'Anna filed an answer and intended to contest the case. Subsequently, at her request, he withdrew his answer upon conditions that she should strike out from her complaint those clauses which asked for alimony and the custody of the children. While the party

was at the depot in Louisburg on their return trip, Mr. C. P. Thompson rushed upon Prof. D'Anna, expressing the amiable intention of "breaking the latter gentleman's face." The bystanders interfered and, as the statute would say, "no deadly weapons were used and no serious damage was done." Prof. D'Anna behaved with the utmost dignity and fortitude throughout the whole proceeding. The defendant appealed to the Supreme court and the case will probably be heard in December.

A BEAUTIFUL WEDDING.

Marriage of Mr. Donnell and Miss Halthcock at St. Andrews.

St. Andrews Church presented a beautiful appearance last night, the occasion being the marriage ceremony of our popular young townsman, Mr. James R. Donnell, and one of South Greensboro's most charming young ladies, Miss Carrie Moody Halthcock, daughter of Mr. Spencer S. Halthcock, pharmacist.

Promptly at the appointed hour the bridal party entered the church as follows, keeping perfect time to the Lohengrin bridal chorus, beautifully rendered by Prof. and Mrs. Clarence R. Brown and Mr. and Mrs. Cameron Gales:

The maid of honor, Miss Lillian Shanks, of Oxford, entered from the left of the chancel and marched to the front entrance to accompany the bride, leaning on the arm of her father, to the chancel, where she was joined by the groom, who entered from the left, supported by his best man, Mr. Thomas Donnell, his brother.

The bridal party, surrounded by plants, palms, chrysanthemums and lighted candles, presented a beautiful picture. Both parties were entirely composed.

The bride is a lady of rare personal charms, and has many friends and admirers here who wish for her a happy matrimonial chain and all that wedded bliss can give.

She was attired in a neat fitting, blue travelling suit, carrying a most beautiful bouquet of La France roses. The maid of honor, Miss Shanks, wore white crepon, with cream trimmings.

The two little attendants wore white dotted Swiss dresses.

The church was beautifully decorated, under the supervision of Mrs. Jas. D. Glenn, with palms, potted plants, chrysanthemums and autumn leaves. On the chancel was a large arch of autumn leaves, with a slight mixture of cedar; under which the bridal party stood to be made man and wife. In the center of the church was another arch; the gates to this were opened for the party to enter by little Misses Annie Glenn and Emma Sharpe.

The ceremony was impressively performed by Rev. J. D. Miller, rector of St. Andrews Church.

After marching from the church, keeping perfect time to Mendelssohn wedding march, beautifully rendered by the organist, Miss Lizzie Crocker, and receiving the numerous congratulations from their many friends, the happy couple took the southbound vestibule for Atlanta.

Long before the hour the church was packed to its utmost capacity.

The ushers were Messrs. W. M. Adams, J. J. Stone, R. B. Beall and Geo. Halthcock, cousin of the bride; the latter going with the party to Atlanta.

The presents were numerous and very beautiful.

The Record wishes to add hearty congratulations and best wishes for their future happiness.—Greensboro Record.

The PRESS AND CAROLINIAN joins the Record in offering congratulations and best wishes.

CAPT. ISAAC BASSETT.

Report That the Venerable Doorkeeper of the Senate is Dying Denied.

WASHINGTON, Nov. 1.—The report that Capt. Isaac Bassett, the veteran doorkeeper of the Senate, was dying, is not confirmed. He is suffering from stomach trouble, but his physician states he is not dangerously ill. Capt. Bassett is seventy-years of age, however, and quite feeble, and the physician does not think he will be able to perform his duties much longer.

FORTUNES AND NO OWNERS.

Snug Sums Lying Uncalled for in California Banks.

SEARCHING FOR HEIRS!

Interesting Facts in Connection With the Unclaimed Funds—Persons to Whom They Belong Have Been Lost Sight of.

Interesting discoveries of lost heirs have just been made in the unclaimed bank deposit cases. The Public Administrator, Attorney Oscar D. Shuck, and the legal representatives of the various San Francisco savings banks, where \$500,000 are unclaimed, have lately settled with a number of the heirs of depositors, but there are several hundred unclaimed deposits still in the banks, says the San Francisco Chronicle.

One of the most remarkable of the long list of abandoned deposits is that of Jeremiah Pendergast, to whose credit there are \$12,000 at the Hibernia Bank. His heirs are in Ireland. Very little is known of Pendergast, save that he was never a resident of San Francisco, though he was there for a short time about 1868, and probably as late as 1876. These facts are known because the Empire Hotel, which he gave as his residence, was opened in 1868 and closed in 1876. For many years there has been a search for Pendergast or his heirs, and Attorney Shuck has just located the heirs in Ireland, and has learned that the depositor was burned to death in his mining cabin more than twenty years ago. Pendergast was unmarried and lived in an isolated cabin, where he was burned to death in a fire which enveloped his home while he was asleep.

In the remarkable case of Henry C. Benn, who left \$2,400 in the Hibernia Bank many years ago, there is no clue whatever. It is known that he once lived at the corner of Kearney and Jackson streets, but further than this there have been no tidings. The money awaits the coming of the owner.

At the same bank there is a deposit of \$1,600 in the name of William E. Crosten, who was a sailmaker in San Francisco in 1868. Shortly thereafter he quietly left the city, and has never been heard from, though there are several persons there who know him well and worked with him at Crawford's sail loft. If the depositor, who was born in Norway, is still living, he is seventy two years of age. A search for his heirs has been in progress for years.

A similar case is that of Charles N. Miles, supposed to have been a sea man. There are \$2,500 to his credit at the Hibernia Bank. He lived at the old United States Hotel. Oscar McEamman left \$1,250 at the bank in 1872, refusing to give his address, and has never been heard from since, and about the same time P. D. Moily left \$1,200 at the same bank in the same manner, refusing to give any particulars about his residence.

Thomas Standon, of 424 Powell street, but whose name does not appear in any of the old directories, left \$1,000 at the Hibernia and has never been heard from since. John B. Casey, who was a carpenter for the Southern Pacific, also left \$1,000 at the same bank and disappeared in an equally mysterious manner.

The following are the names of the depositors whose whereabouts are unknown:

Hugh Green, \$1,250, Hibernia; William Faughney, \$1,200, Hibernia; Ann Holman, \$3,000 in Hibernia Bank; she worked at the Brooklyn Hotel in the early seventies, but no one remembers her, not even John Kelly, Jr., who then, and for twenty years or more, kept that hotel. Richard Corbett, \$4,400 in Hibernia Bank; registered at the bank as residing at Idaho City, Idaho, but no one remembers him there or anywhere else.

The same is to be said of Benjamin Mann, \$1,400 in the Hibernia Bank, who was also living in Idaho, but de-

clined to be more specific as to his residence.

Michael Murphy, \$1,800 in the Hibernia Bank, was living at Dutch Flat, Placer county, when he opened his account, about twenty years ago. Friends of his in that county recollect him well, but all efforts to trace him have failed. A woman in Michigan has employed attorneys there, and claims to be the missing man's sister, but she has been several months trying to answer simple questions in proof of her relationship. The attorney has found in an old record that at Iowa Hill, which is near Dutch Flat, one Michael Murphy lived in early days, and a son was born to him there as far back as 1862. This lead is being followed up.

Patrick Connelly, \$1,200 in Hibernia Bank, lived at Empire City, Ney., and Michael Roach, \$3,000 in said bank, at Stewart's Hotel, Oakland Cal. Nothing has been learned concerning either.

John Johnson, \$1,400 in Hibernia Bank, lived at 140 Folsom street, and was probably a seaman.

John Taylor has \$2,000 to his credit in this bank. He died at sea in 1872, and was a sailor. He stopped at the Union House about 1870.

The following account is in the old Clay-street Bank, now at Montgomery and Sutter streets:

John Buckley, \$1,500. Had a common name, but thus far not a single person has claimed his money as heir. He is as much forgotten as Jeremiah Pendergast.

HOUSES COLLAPSED.

Earthquake at Rome Was Worse Than at First Reported.

LONDON, Nov. 1.—Special dispatches received here from Rome say that two houses collapsed as a result of the earthquake shock this morning, and it is reported that several persons were injured.

In addition four palaces and the Bank of Italy are said to have been rendered uninhabitable and the Palazzo Odescalchi and five other palaces are said to be seriously injured.

The Vatican buildings, the Quirinal, the main railroad station and the Ministry of Finance are also reported to have sustained some damage.

NOT VERY ACCEPTABLE.

New French Cabinet Doesn't Seem to Please Many People.

PARIS, Nov. 1.—M. Vigü has accepted the portfolio of Minister of Husbandry and only the office of Minister for Foreign Affairs, said to have been tendered to Baron de Courcel, the French Ambassador to London, remains to be filled. The Cabinet does not seem to please anybody very much, but it is understood that it will receive that support of the Radicals and Solicits during the time it lasts, which is not expected to be long.

How to Kill Cattle.

It is said that during the last few days more than 200 head of cattle have died in western Kansas from eating the second growth of sorghum, which is rank poison. The crop of sorghum is very large in western Kansas, and the second growth is exceedingly rank. Many farmers turned their cattle into the fields to eat it down, and death was the result in nearly every case. In Phillips county 200 died from eating this forage, while reports from other counties state that the loss has been heavy. In Stanton county a herd of forty fat steers died within two hours after eating sorghum forage.

The Shakers have made a discovery which is destined to accomplish much good. Realizing that three-fourths of all our sufferings arise from stomach troubles, that the country is literally filled with people who cannot eat and digest food, without subsequently suffering pain and distress, and that many are starving, wasting to mere skeletons, because their food does them no good, they have devoted much study and thought to the subject, and the result is this discovery, of their Digestive Cordial.

A little book can be obtained from your druggist that will point out the way of relief at once. An investigation will cost nothing and will result in much good.

Children hate to take Castor Oil, but not Laxol, which is palatable.