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## NORTH CAROLINA.

### NEWS OF THE STATE.

At Lockville, near Raleigh, a \$25,000 cotton mill is to be erected.

North Carolina State banks have an aggregate capital of \$2,722,000.

Statesville is elated over the prospect of a cotton factory of 5000 spindles.

A company to build a \$125,000 cotton mill is "the talk" at Lenoir, says the *Topic*.

The *Enterprise* thinks two cotton factories will be built in Newton before the year closes.

The *Lidger* says Mr. J. J. Davis, of Granville, killed three deer recently at two shots.

Dick Ellis, aged 60 years, of Mitchell county, froze to death during the cold spell while on his way to work.

Ex-Gov. Holt will deliver the annual address before the literary societies of Davidson College at the June commencement.

At a big spelling-match in Raleigh, recently, W. G. Burkhead, principal clerk of the Senate, was the last man to sit down.

A colored fireman of Charlotte was killed in a mine at Iron Station Tuesday last week. Forty tons of earth fell on him.

The *Chatham Record* calls attention to the fact that there will be no full moon during February. There was one on January 31st and the next will be on the 1st of March.

It seems to be conceded that Hon. F. M. Simmons, Chairman of the State Democratic Executive Committee, is to have the good plum of the Eastern district Collectorship.

At the Mountain Island cotton mill one of the operatives, a white girl, got caught in the machinery and her right arm was torn from the socket. It is feared she cannot live.

Mr. S. F. Telfair, who was private secretary under Governors Forde and Holt, has been reappointed by Gov. Carr for the same position. This reflects great credit upon Mr. Telfair.

The Acme Corundum Mining Co., of Statesville, has been organized with \$20,000 capital. H. A. Collins, of Statesville, and J. W. Janney and B. Howland, of Pennsylvania, are the incorporators.

Tuesday while Jacob Hyman's wife (colored) was gone from home near the railroad a few miles below town, her little girl went to a log fire near where railroad hands were at work and her clothes caught fire and she was burned to death.—*Sealed Neck Democrat*.

Wm. Bost, a Cabarrus county miser, died about a year ago. About \$10,000 in money and various other things were found in the cracks of his house, and his estate was worth \$20,000. His relatives are having lively litigation over the distribution of the miser's horde.

Chas. McAllister, a Charlotte printer, was leaning over the banisters, at his home Friday week, lost his balance and fell, his head striking the frozen ground. He did not seem to be much hurt, but Saturday he became unconscious and died in great agony Sunday.

Messrs. Haywood and Helen Huff caught 600 rock and 3,500 white perch Saturday night about 8 miles below New Bern. Both these varieties of fish are now commanding high prices north and the lucky brothers were offered \$300 here for their catch.—*New Bern Journal*.

The *Enterprise* says that Mr. O. L. Lowe has a five year old boy who cannot be prevailed on to wear shoes. All through the late cold spell he could be seen on the streets bare footed. But he enjoyed it the most of any of the boys and does not know what it is to have a cold.

Mr. Lonny Hatch, the newly elected treasurer of Chatham county, was found lying dead in the road near his home last Thursday week, with one hand clutching his chest. The *Record* says there is no suspicion of foul play, but it is believed that he died of heart disease, as his father before him did.

The next annual meeting of the State Pharmaceutical Association will be held in Greensboro next August, instead of Winston, as was decided at the last meeting in Raleigh. The change was necessitated by the burning of Hotel Zinzendorf, the loss of which makes hotel accommodations inadequate for such a gathering in that city.

We have in our possession a copy of the Western Carolinian, a paper published in Salisbury, of date September 29, 1829. In looking over the markets we find that seed cotton was bringing from 1/2 to 1/4 cents a pound. The following are some other prices quoted:—Corn 25 to 30, beef 3 to 4, butter 8 to 10, flour \$2 1/2 to \$4.00 per barrel, wheat \$2 to \$3, Irish potatoes 30, to 40, sweet potatoes 25 to 35, brown sugar 12 to 15, coffee 15 to 22, salt 1 1/2 to 1 1/4, hoespun cloth 15 to 25, whiskey 20 to 23; bacon 8 to 10.—*Concord Times*.

## DENVER, COLORADO.

### The Churches Make War on Sunday Amusements.

Special Cor. Morganton Herald.

Quite a breeze of excitement has been raised lately in the matter of Sunday evening amusements. There has existed for many years a law against Sunday amusements; but it has not been enforced against such as were orderly, peaceable, and of more or less elevated character. For some time past, a few ministers,—two in particular,—have been railing against the sinfulness of this thing, and brought to bear a pressure upon the authorities which culminated last Sunday evening. A squad of police marched through the streets, closed up the show "Wonderland," arresting the proprietor and some others. A concert was having an entree at the Grand Opera House of high classical music, finely rendered. The manager and all the musicians were arrested and taken to the police station. It has been noised throughout the country that Dean Hart's house was mobbed; the crowd which gathered thick and fast, was a consequence of the excitement from seeing all these parties marching through the streets under arrest, on their way to the station house. All the harm done however, to the mansion of the Rev. Dean, was the breaking of two windows. Meanwhile the police went on with their work. A private German club which has been in existence for years, always very respectably conducted, was having an entertainment, some being admitted but members of the club. The police put their extinguishers on this also. Indignation meetings have followed, but it does not seem likely they will accomplish much. The ordinary mind has been puzzled to draw the line of distinction between an orderly concert of fine classical music in a beautiful opera house, and the blowing of horns over the head of Rev. Kerr B. Tupper, who with Dean Hart led the crusade. These horns, however, euphonious to the ear, and enlivening to the senses, of the church goer, to one who has lived in New York, bear an unfortunate resemblance to the horns of fish-mongers as they drag their wags through the streets. This class of street musicians may have passed away, though they existed years ago; who knows but the clerical concert may have arisen from its ashes—the butterfly from the grub! Since one can get theatrical entertainments in these churches, it is unreasonable that the public cannot dispense with common amusements on a Sunday evening.

## PARSON DALE IS NUTTALL

### AND HIS LAST WIFE HAS BEEN MADE FREE.

The Man Who Passed as Walter E. Dale, a Preacher, is J. O. H. Nuttall, a Noted Evangelist.

At ten minutes before two o'clock this afternoon, the jury in the Dale-Nuttall divorce case, brought in a verdict annulling the marriage of Mrs. Effie Smith to the defendant.

This verdict was tantamount to a decision that Dale is Nuttall.

The jury was out about three-quarters of an hour. None of the principals in the case were present when the verdict was read.

Nuttall, or Dale, is now under a \$500 bond to answer the charge of bigamy in the Paulding superior court. He was tried and convicted, and the supreme court granted him a new trial.

WHAT THE PETITIONER CLAIMED.

Mrs. Dale, or as the plaintiff in the case now calls herself, Mrs. Effie Smith, asks for a total divorce from the defendant on trial on the ground of bigamy.

The petitioner asserts that the petitioner was married to Dale, or Nuttall in 1884, and that on the 5th of May, 1891, she discovered that her alleged husband was an imposter.

She declared in her petition that it was proven to her that the real name of the man she married as Walter Dale was J. O. H. Nuttall, and that he had married a woman in North Carolina named Horton, whom he subsequently deserted.

The case was called for trial, and Dale put up "mistaken identity" as his defence.

The case has been pending since last Friday.

Mr. Nuttall, it is well known in Atlanta. It was here, in fact, that the first suspicion that he was another person than whom he claimed to be was breathed.

In 1880 Dale was pastor of the Baptist church at Bellwood. He was popular with his congregation and he and his young wife seemingly had many years of happiness before them.

One day Dale was accosted on the Broad street bridge by a stranger, who addressed the alleged preacher as "Nuttall."

"You are mistaken, sir," said Dale, "my name is not Nuttall."

"I know better, it is," retorted the other.

The stranger proved to be from the North Carolina town where Dale was charged with having married Miss Horton, and he took the trouble to investigate the cause of Dale's being in Atlanta. Discovering the fact that he was preaching here, the North Carolinian told the church people that Dale was a fraud.

This circumstance in charges being made against the pastor by the members of the Bellwood church, and there was a split in the parish, some of its members persisting in clinging to the man who had been such a popular shepherd of the fold.

A formal investigation was called for and the brother of Mrs. Horton was brought here from North Carolina. He declared that the preacher's right name was J. O. H. Nuttall, and that he was the man who had deserted his sister in North Carolina.

Horton wanted to emphasize his statements by punching the preacher's head, but was prevented from doing so.

The developments brought forth in this investigation led to the indictment of Dale for bigamy. He was tried and convicted, but subsequently granted a new trial, which he was awaiting at the time the divorce case was brought.

THIS MORNING'S PROCEEDINGS.

This morning at 9 o'clock the arguments in the case began, Judge Hammond opened for the plaintiff. He reviewed the testimony given in the case and scored the defendant without mercy. The man who had done all the evil things ascribed to Nuttall in the testimony, he said, was then the defendant in the case then pending. Judge Hammond spoke for an hour.

He was followed by Judge Anderson who placed a very different interpretation upon the testimony. He reviewed a number of cases wherein mistaken identity had been proven, and emphasized the testimony of the photographers introduced in the behalf of Dale, who had declared that the photographs taken of Nuttall twenty-five years ago and pictures recently taken of Dale were likenesses of two different individuals. Judge Hook followed and then Judge Anderson spoke again, and Judge Hammond closed.

Judge Clark then delivered a brief charge to the jury and twelve free-holders retired to form their verdict.

During the progress of the trial this morning the courtroom was well filled with people, including a number of prominent Baptists. Dr. Hawthorne, of the First Baptist church, occupied a seat within the bar, and was an attentive listener to all that was said.

Mrs. Dale was present. She seemed to take but little interest in the arguments.—*Atlanta Journal*.

[It will be remembered by many of our citizens that this man Nuttall once lived in Morganton, having printed the first paper ever published in this town. It was a small story paper, and his wife setting all the type and printing and publishing the paper themselves. They also wrote all the matter for the paper. The paper had only been published for a short while, however, when Nuttall and wife left town rather mysteriously, and were not heard of any more until Nuttall's arrest in Georgia a short time ago.—Ed. Herald.]

## LIKE ONE FROM THE GRAVE

### AND HIS AUNT RETURNS TO HIS HOME.

An Epoch Atoned For With Vengeance, in Which Asheville Fought The Fatal Fight.

That truth is stranger than fiction is demonstrated conclusively by an Epoch Atoned case with variations that has developed in Asheville, with the scenes laid in Vance and Buncombe counties.

The story with which this article has to do begins about four years ago, in Vance county, where lived Amos M. Austin, his wife, Annie Austin, and their six children. One day, the day on which this story begins, Austin and a neighbor, Henry Ledford, became involved in a row, and Austin killed him. The man with the mark of Cain upon his brow was arrested, and shortly thereafter was brought to Asheville and confined in jail for safe keeping. He remained here for nearly a year, awaiting the oftentimes slow processes of the courts. The wife, in order to be near her husband, came to Asheville with the children, and have since made their home here, several of the little ones having been given homes with families in the city.

Austin was tried, convicted of manslaughter and sentenced to a term in the penitentiary at Raleigh. After he had served a part of his term his letters to Mrs. Austin suddenly ceased, and after many weeks of waiting the wife heard that her husband had been killed by a "per." guard in attempting to escape.

One second, and Mrs. Austin, believing her husband dead, accepted the hand of E. W. Morgan, of this county, and they were married on the 14th of October, 1891, by Justice A. T. Sumner. The couple lived happily together until several months ago, when Mrs. Morgan was thrown into a state of bordering on frenzy by the receipt of a letter from her husband, in which she had believed dead for so many months. The matter was laid before the latter-day husband and to him Mrs.

## THE NAVAL EXHIBIT.

### World's Columbian Exposition.

Unique among the other exhibits is that made by the United States Navy. It is a structure which, to all outward appearance, is a faithful full-sized model of one of the coast-line battleships. This imitation battleship of 1891 is erected on piling on the Lake front in the northeast portion of Jackson Park. It is surrounded by water and has the appearance of being moored to a wharf. The structure has all the fittings that belong to the actual ship, such as guns, turrets, torpedo tubes, torpedoes, chain cables, davits, booms, deck fittings, etc., etc., together with all appliances for working the same. Officers, seamen, mechanics and marines are detailed by the Navy Department during the Exposition, and the discipline and mode of life on our naval vessels are completely shown. The details of men is not, however, as great as the complement of the actual ship. The crew gives certain drills, especially by boat, torpedo, and gun drills, as in a vessel of war. The dimensions of the structure are those of the actual battleship, to-wit: length, 345 feet; width amidship, 69 feet 3 inches; and from the water line to the top of the main deck, 12 feet. Centrally placed on this deck is a superstructure 3 feet high with a hamper deck berthing on the same 7 feet high, and above these are the bridge, chart-house, and the battery.

At the forward end of the superstructure there is a cone-shaped tower, called the "military mast," near the top of which are placed two circular "tops" as receptacles for sharpshooters. Rapid-firing guns are mounted in each of these tops. The height from the water line to the summit of this military mast is 76 feet, and above is placed a flagstaff for signaling.

The battery mounted comprises four 13-inch breech-loading rifle cannon; eight 8-inch breech-loading rifle cannon; four 6-inch breech loading rifle cannon; twenty 6-pounder rapid-firing guns; two Gatling guns, and six torpedo guns. All of these are placed and mounted respectively as in the genuine battleship.

On the starboard side of the ship is shown the torpedo protection net, stretching the entire length of the vessel. Steam launchers and cutters ride at the bows, and all the outward appearance of a real ship of war is imitated.

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## NEWS IN GENERAL.

### THE GREAT OF THE ENGINEERS.

From all Parts of the Dominion, South and Antagonizing News Items.

—Sungster, S. C., is to have a \$2,000 city hall.

—Mrs. Wm. C. Whitney wife of ex-Secretary Whitney is dangerously ill.

—Naval Cadet, Richard J. Fellows, of Michigan, was dismissed last week for lazing.

—It is said that in Hawaii the temperature never got below 60 nor above 80 degrees.

—Judge Howell E. Jackson, of Tennessee, has been appointed to succeed Justice Lamar.

—By a natural gas explosion in a house in Anderson, Indiana, the building was completely wrecked and five persons seriously injured.

—San Francisco business men are anxious for the annexation of Hawaii, but the prohibition will proceed no farther than to establish a protectorate, for the present at least.

—Messrs. Brown, of Indiana, Graduate of Mississippi, Bachelor of Louisiana, Bachelor of New Jersey and Powers of Vermont have been appointed a subcommittee to investigate the Whiskey trust.

—The Carriage Company of Pittsburgh have taken a contract for the construction of a mile of road approximating in cost \$2,000,000 for the Metropolitan West side Elevated Railroad Co., of Chicago.

—Miss Belle J. Moore, a Kentucky girl while visiting her sister in New York, disappeared nearly three weeks ago. Her relatives there recently received an anonymous letter demanding \$2,000 for her ransom.

—Fred Schumann, a citizen of Memphis, Tenn., recently gave his two children aged 13 and 9 respectively, water containing arsenic, and drank the same himself. His wife was a widow and unassisted in business. All three died after taking the poison.

—Robert J. Beatty was on the stand, convicted of complicity in the Homestead poisoning cases. The jury was out but seven minutes. Jack Clifford, one of the leaders in the Homestead strike, was, at the conclusion of this trial, brought forward to answer to a charge of murder.

—Soreness efforts are being made by the friends and counsel of Carlyle W. Harris, the convicted wife-murderer, to gain for him a new trial. The evidence in this case was purely circumstantial, and an effort will be made to prove that Mrs. Harris was an habitual morphine-eater.

—A colored negro "bomber" was recently sentenced to six months in the "pen" by a Newark, N. J. court, for swindling a woman out of \$25. He gave her four candies which she was to light and pray over until they were burned out. This was his cue for the chicanery, but it didn't work as he expected.

—Chicago is preparing for a campaign against the cholera this summer. With increased facilities for keeping the streets clean, extraordinary vigilance on the part of the Board of Health and the extensive lake frontage possessed by that city, comparative immunity should be guaranteed against the pestilence.

—The Island of Zante, the most important of the Ionian Islands, was seriously shaken by an earthquake on the 2nd ult. Many houses were wrecked, the prison fell in, wounding many prisoners, and several fatalities are reported. The towers of the town of Zante has over 50,000 inhabitants.

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