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SI.00 A Year



Three persons were burned to death in a boarding house fire at Waynesville, N. C., Thursday night.

It is said the County Commissioners of Ashe have decided to issue boads and build a new court house whether the election on May 26th is carried in favor of it or nut.

It is reported that three little girls named Anete, Rosale and Aggie Spake, aged respectfully 11, 9 and 7 years, have been kidnapped from the Asheville Female Seminary, in Asheville.

The dining car department of the Southern Rallway Company which has headquarters in Charlotte, has just-received two new dining cars, the cost of which, completed, is about \$25,000 each.

Eight persons were indicted in the case of the insurance agent who was killed by a mob at Wilson Thursday night. Three others who were arrested on the charge of murder, were teleased.

Governor Aycock grants a respite to Fred Vick, the 17-year-old negro under | are difficult to work, sentence of death at Goldsboro for a crime upon an old negro woman, on May 30th, so he may investigate the C286.

Chief of Pilce Scott of Goldsboro, buried the body of a negro infant Monday which was found in a vacant lot between South Elm and Ashe streets at that place. The body had been buried in a paper shoe box and was discovered by some boys who were at play. The infant is thought to have been still

Commencement exercises at Peace Institute in Raleigh will be held as follows: May 17, 11 a, m., haccalaureale sermon, by Rev. Egbert Smith, D. D., of Greensboro; Monday, May 18, 5 p. m., annual concert; Wednesday, May 20, 11 a. m. graduating exercise .; address by Rev. Frank Stringfellow, of Boydton, Va.

Dr. J. K. Hardick, one of the best known and best beloved physicians cellent crops, others that both have in Western North Carolina, died Sunday morning at his home in Marshall. Dr. H. B. Weaver, Dr. W. J. Weaver and Dr. Frank Roberts did their ut-most to save the stricken man, but he

WEATHER AND CROPS The Past Week Showed Fair Prog-

ress in Growth of All Crops,

There has been some further improvement in crop prospects in North Carolina during the past week, ending Monday, 11th, in consequence, of the favorable conditions that prevailed for farm work, but crop growth has advanced slowly. The Jentire week was very dry except in the extreme southern and eastern portions where showers occurred Monday, May 4th, and Saturday, May 9th, with largest amounts at Wilmington and Newbern. The rainfall was very beneficial in that section, and elsewhere throughout the State a warm rain is now much needed to bring up seeds, promote growth, and soften the hard soil. The temperature averaged over 5 degrees daily below the normal, and the deficiency in temperature had an unfavorable influence on growth; while moderately warm during the day, though nowhere reaching 80 degrees, the nights have been quite cool, and the days cloudy and windy.

There was no interruption to farm work during the week, and planting of eern and cotton is now well advanced and in some sections completed. Low lands are in excellent tilth, but there is increasing complaint of the hard, refractory condition of uplands which

Planting corn on uplands is nearing completion, but most of the bottem lands are still to be planted; late planted corn is coming up somewhat better than early seeded, but stands are not generally good; some corn is being cultivated in the south portion; cut and bud worms are injuring corn to some extent. Planting cotton is about finished in the east and south. but elsewhere not more ...aan half completed; the acreage will be large; some farmers have good stands; but chopping has not commenced;' more sunshine and warth are needed for cotton which is not doing well. Tohacco is all set in the east, where the plants need a warm rain; dry weather has checked transplanting in the northcentral section, where a large amount of land is prepared, and plants are fairly plentiful; setting is now awaiting proper "seasons". The condition of winter wheat and oats is very diversified: some correspondents report exsueffred much from rust and fly; wheat is heading low and small, and the crop will be below the average. Some peanuts have been planted; also sweet no. tato slips. Gardens continue to improve slowly. The 1rish potato crop is very promising, and shipments of new potatoes will soon begin. Shipments of truck crops and strawberries continue. The reports concerning fruit indicate favorable prospects for apples. At the present time warm showers would be extremely beneficial.

A BAD SUNDAY RIOT Bridgeport, Connecticut, the Scene

of Serious Disturbances

CARS WERE NOT ALLOWED TO RUN Strike-Breakers and Officers Pelted

With Stones and Brickbats-Many People Wounded.

Bridgeport, Coun., Special-The attempt made by the officials of the Conrecticut Railway and Lighting Company to run their cars with non-upion men Sunday, resulted in a rlot in which at least 32 men were injurgd. The sheriff says that another such outbreak would tall out the troops. At the present time the county shortff will succeed the police. Sunday morning six trolley cars were started out on the Barnum and State street lines. There were large crowds around the car sheds at the

time. The cars were manned by 12 of the 123 strike-breakers brought to this city Saturday by the trolley company. There was no disturbance of any kind for a couple of hours. When the first car, however, had completed its third round trip, and was directly in front of the Wheeler & Wilson factory. where a crowd of at least 1,000 persons had gathered, a bombardment of stones began. Deputy Sheriffs Hendrau and Plumb, who were riding on the car, plunged into the crowd to arrest a man whom they had seen throw a stone. He was seized and with considerable difficulty dragged 50 feet to the car. The stone-thrower was a big fellow and struggled so fiercly that a policeman who was standing near by went to the nesistance of the officers. Immediately Mayor Mulvihill was seen hurrying through the mob. He rushed to the policeman and ordered him to keep his hands off the prisoner. He then told the deputy sheriffs that they had better let the man go. During the argument the stone-thrower wrenched himself free and dashed away. In the meantime stones were flying in a shower and one of them struck Mayor Mulvihill on the head, brusing it badly. The two sheriffs jumped on the car and ordered the moto the

DROUTH INJURES CROPS MASSACRE OF THE JEWS.

Observer.

A Large Sympathy Meeting Held in Baltimore Sunday.

Baltimore, Special .- Three thou sand people attended an enthusiastic meeting at the Academy of Music Sunday, in behalf of the victims of the anti-Jewish outrages in Russia. It was participated, in by many leading citizens of the State and city, and several thousand dollars were subscribed. The meeting was presided over by Dr. Fabian Franklin, editor of The Baltimore Evening News, and among the speakers were ex-Governor William Pinkney Whyte, ex-Congressman John V. L. Findlay, Mayor Hayes, Roger Hull and others. Letters of sympathy were read from Governor .John Walter Smith, Attorney General Isadore Rayner, Hon., Simon Wolf and leading church divines, all expressing their horror over the massacre at Kischneff and conviction that the United States should use its good offices to bring about a suppression of atrocities in the future. Dr. Daniel C. Gilman, pres-Ident of Carnegie Institute, declared that similar meetings should be held in all parts of the United States to the end that the public opinion of this country could help Russia to adopt a humane policy. Among the letters was the following from Cardinal Gibbons:

"Dr. Harry Friendenwald, Chairman; "Dear Sir: 1 regret that my enforced absence from the city on May 17th will prevent my presence at the meeting you have called to give voice to your horror at the events that have recently taken place at Kischneff. I have no hesitation, however, to express my deep abhorrence at the masacres that have carried to their graves gray hair and innocent childbood. Our sense of justice revolts at the thought of peraecution for religion's sake; but when persecution is attended with murder and pillage the brain reels and the heart sickens, and righteous indignation is aroused at the enormity of such a crime. What a blot upon our civilization is this slaughter of inoffensive men and women! Please convey to the meeting my grief for the dead, and my sincere hope that this twentieth century will see the end of all such occurrences and that peace and brotherly love may prevail on earth

"JAMES CARDINAL GIBBONS." A series of resolutions was adopted calling on the United States to "bring the Rus

Reports From Farming Districts Indicate Unusually Dry Spring.

Hay, Grain, Vegetables and Fruits Suffer -Plowing Ahandoned-Adirondack Forest Fires Under Control,

Albany, N. Y -Although no rain of any amount has fallen in the Adirondacks for days, Colonel William F. Fox, Superintendent of the State Forest Preserve, said that the 600 men which the fire wardens have had fighting the fires for some time now have them under good control. No valuable virgin tracts have been destroyed, the areas burned over having been either lumbered or burned over before.

The farmers need rain badly. If rain does not come within the next day or two the crops of rye, wheat, grass and early vegetables will practically be destroyed. No rain has tallen in four weeks, and unless rollef comes soon the farmers and gardeners will be in dire straits. Many have deferred planting until there is a change in weather conditions, and the harvest season will at the best he late.

Advices from the interior of Schence. tady County indicate that the drouth is so severe that many farmers are unable to proceed with their plowing. Many gardens have been abandoned altogether.

So far this month there has been only .08 of an inch rainfall, which is within .02 of an inch of the average rainfull for one day. The deficiency of rainfail for the month of May up to date is 1.12 inches; the deficiency since January 1 is 3.60 inches. The rainfall during the month of May as a rule regulates the condition of the river Unless during the summer months. there are coplous rains in May the vegetables will draw from the water supply stored in the ground, so that even with normal rains during the crist growing season the stage of water in the Hudson and its tributaries will be low during the greater part of the season of navigation.

LAURA BIGGER GETS A FORTUNE. Made a Wealthy Woman by a Settlement

With the Bennett Beneficiarles. Pittsburg, Pa .- A settlement has finally been reached between Miss Laura Biggar and Peter J. McNulty and R. M. Gulick as to the estate of Henry M. Bennett, the millionaire owner of the Bijon Theatre. The terms of agreement were reached at a meeting in Philadelphia between Attorney EG

NEWSY GL : S.

The Columbian Congress has bee called to meet in special setaion June 20.

. The fixed capital in acclediture i the United States is four times that i manufacture.

The tight-fitting British uniform] alleged to be the cause of much here disease among soldiers.

The March output of Lake Superio copper exceeded 17.000000 pounds, record for a single month.

The shilling import duty on corn of tabilished in Great Britain last yea will be discontinued on July 1.

Brigandage in Sicily is said to be in creasing rather theu decreasing. A tacks are made even in Marsala.

Thousands of square miles of mulberry trees are planted in Italy. Tree live from fifty to seventy years.

Up to date 318 statues of William I, have been creeted in German town at a total cost of about \$5,000,000.

Instructions have been given the police in South London to seize and destroy all boys' kites flown in the streets.

Pennsylvania hos a larger aumber of persons of negro descent in its pop-ulation than any other of the Northern States.

Forty thousands birds, mostly sandpipers, are reported to have been killed recently on the North Carolina const for millinery purposes.

The culisical men of the Nevy will have added to their menu this year 220,000 pounds of frankfurter sausages and 141,600 sounds of sauerkragt,

Germany sold the United States in the first quarter of 1902 \$22,786,594 worth. In the corresponding quarter this year the sales were \$28,192,549 worth.

There are about 200 deaths yearly in England due to weather. One hundred and forty of these are due to cold and the rest to substruke and lightning.

Summoned to St. Petersburg.

St. Petersbullg, By Cable .- Linutenant General Von Reaben, Governor of Kischenoff, has been summoned to St. Petersburg, A ministerial circular forbidding the Jews to defend themselves has been issued. It is expected that this step will stimulate Jewish immigration to America. Three thousand suits for damages have been instituted against the State at Kischenen. The dumages demanded amount to \$1,509,-000.

suffered from a complication of diseases and the end came quickly.

The Wilmington Stone and Construction Company has been organized and application for a charter has been forwarded to Raleigh. The capital stock will be \$20,000, with \$100,000 authorized. The incorporators are Messrs S. P. Adams and H. E. Bonitz of that city and W. H. Griffin of New Bern, The company will manufacture hollow concrete building blocks. The new business will be an important enterprise in Eastern Carolina.

An old white man, Henry Foard, who lived, alone in a little log house near Pioneer Mills, in Concord, awoke Friday night to find his house on fire over and all about him, with a little window as his only means of escape Through this he succeeded in escaping cremation. He lost all his effects. He is about \$2 years old.

The negro who was arrested at Jelico, Tenn., recently in the belief that he was James Lowery, the murderer of Polleumn Jones, of Sheiby, turned out to be the wrong party. The York consts, " C. man concerned in the arrest say there is no doubt of the ffet that I was at Jelico, and gives it as h + opinion that the Jelleo police made a bungle of the job.

Hestor Britt shot and desperately wounded Thomas Wagner at Roxboro. The two were scuffling over a loaded pistol, when Britt suddenly whirled it in the air and fired. Wagner was attended by a physician, but the bullet, which entered the abdomen, was not found. A statement secured from Wagner exonerated Britt, saying the shooting was accidental. Britt was apprekended but released after this statement. Both are almost mere boys and work in the cotton mills at Roxboro. Wagner is still living and may recover.

Edward S. Carter, a young white man who was before. Recorder F. M. Shannonhouse in Charlotte Molday morning charged with an affrifuy with Mitchell and James Sharp, is a deserter from the United Stales army, . Having been stationed at Fort Leven-worth, Kan, He is a native of North Carolina, Sergeant Shaw, of the local recruiting station, learned of Carter's presence in Charlotte and had Carter arrested. Carter was taken back to his all Charlotte was represented at the post Tuesday.

The plant of the Key Fugniture Company at Statesville had a very nariow escape from total destruction by fire Monday morning. It was about 10 o'clock when it was discovered. It was burning flercly in the roof and upper story of the finishing department, which is a wooden structure and also used for storage, and all the material in it is very inflammable. At the time a strong find was blowing from the cast which served to protect the main building, which is of brick, from danger.

An afternoon paper to be known as the Evening Chronicle will appear in Charlotte May 25. The new publication well he conducted by the Observer com-pany, the publishers of the Charlotte Observer, and will be served with news matter by the Associated Press.

THE MARKETS.

COTTON MARKET.

These figures represent prices paid to wagons: Strict good middling 10.75

PRODUCE MARKET.

Hens-per head 33 1344 20 1254 60 Wheat-seed 1 00 Onts 45 Rye..... 1 00 Skina-caif

MEMORIAL DAY OBSERVED. -

Interesting Programmes Carried Out at Various Points.

Charlotte, Special .- A very large number of persons took part in the memorial exercises in honor of the Confederate dead, which were held in this city Monday afternoon. The prediminary exercises were held in th churchyard of the First Presbyterian church at 1 o'clock. Here were as-sembled the members of the Mecklenburg Camp of Confederate Veterans, the Daughters and Children of the Confederacy, the local military companles, the drum corps, children from the graded school and a large body of citizens. In honor of the occasion most of the Charlotte stores closed from 4 to 6 o'clock, and it may be said that

exercises.

Gen, Carr Speaks,

Chapel Hill, Special .- Memorial Day was observed here by the college and town with appropriate exercises in Gerrard Hall. The orator of the day was General Julian S. Carr. who spoke under the auspices of the Leonidas Polk Chapter of the Daughters of the Confederacy here. His address - was eloquent and impressive and well reeived by his hearers. Many Confederate veterans from the country around were present and they listened to their old comrade in arms with close atte tion and appreciation. Elegant music was rendered by the University Quartette and Band

The bombardment did not abate and the crowd on the street was such that the motorman had to go slowly. The stone-throwing soon became so furious that the sheriffs drew their revolvers and fired shots in the air. This caused the bombardment to let up a little and the car reached the barns and was ron inside. The other five cars operated on the same streets received exactly the same treatment, as they fololwed the first car into the car barns -

When the last car had passed within the doors there was a crowd of 4,000 people gathered in a vacant lot oppoite and violence once more broke loose. Brickbats, stones and everything that could be thrown were hurled at the barns and anything that belonged to the company in the vicinity. At this point Mayor Mulvihill saw that the serseant and nine policemen stationed at the barns were entirely unable to cope with the mob and he sent for Chief Coffin, of the fire department, After a short consultation, the latter ordered out engine company No. 6, with a steamer and a line of hose. Superintendent Birmingham also ordered every available man to the spot to co-operate with the firemen and soon a stream was being played on the mob, which slowly fell back before the water. One or the strike-breakers was assisting the fremen in holding the hose when a well directed brick struck him on the head and knocked him to the ground senseless. When the mob had dispersed the firamen and extra policemen were ordered back to their quarters and the rgular detail remained guarding the car barns

The officials of the trolley company will not reveal the names of the men injured, or the nature of their injuries. It is positively known, however, that not a man of the 12 who were on the six cars escaped injury of some kind. Everyone of them, as they stood on the platform of their cars while going into the barns was seen to be bleeding profusely from the head and face. In addition to the trolley man injured, Roadmaster Davis, of the trolley company, was severely hart by a stone which struck him on the head. Sheriffs Hendrau and Flumb were apparently targets for the mob as well as the strike-breakers, for each of them was struck in different parts of the body at least a dozen times. No attempt was made to run cars at night.

Postal Clerks Plake Claims.

Tuacalcosa, Special .- D. D. Nicholson, a postal clerk, who runs on the Alabama Great Southern Railway, cays that the postal clerks of the United States have a claim aggregating \$14.-000,000 against the United States Post office Departments. Nickolson says this claim will be tried before the United States Court of Claims at Washington. The claim is based upon the section of the postal laws which prescribes that chief clerks and railway postal clerks shall be paid their netual and necessary expenses while actually traveling on business of the Department.

influences to bear sian government as may tend to bring about a cession of these inhumanities," and on the members of Con-gress to protest "against the outrages to which the Jews of Russia are subjected."

Ticket Office Robbed.

Birmingham, Ala., Special .- The union passenger ticket office was robbed of \$7,000 Saturday. At the time the burglary is supposed to have taken place, A. R. Cook, a clerk, who was on the night watch, says he had taken a nap, as no trains were going out at that hour. There were three or fourwatchmen in the station at the time, however, and there were several men sitting in the waiting room into which the ticket office opened. After securing goveral small boxes in the safe, containing valuables, the burglan or burglars escaped through a small window. which opens on Morris avenue. The robbery was not discovered until 5 o'clock, when Mr. Cook went to the sufe to make a deposit. Several failroad detectives and three or four special wen from the Birmingham police force were put to work on the case, but so far have not obtained a clew. They kept the matter a secret and it was not known generally until late in the evening. The stolen property consisted of \$1,500 in endorsed checks, besides paper money and coin. The thief evidently was familiar with the office, as be opened the safe by the regular combigation and did not disturb the clerk. who was asleep a few feet from' him The loss is shared by the various inllroads entering Eirmngham and each of them now has a special detective

Will Curtail Production.

working on the case.

London, By Cable -- A meeting of the Federation of Manchester Coulor Spinners adopted a resolution to the effect that "in view of the grave conditions of affairs in cotton, we resour mend that the whole trade stop from one week at Whitsuntide and on Satu days and Mondays thereafter, unti-further notice," A mas meeting to consider the resolution has been called for May 26.

Fireman Killed in Wreck,

Birmingham, Ala., Special:freight train, consisting of engine, sev en cara loaded with limestone and caboose, were wrecked Thursday night south of Romalip, 18 miles north Birmingham on the Eirmingham Min eral Railroad's north branch. Juh Maxey, fireman, was killed and three others were slightly injured.

Spain's Defenses

Gilbraltar, Special .- Owing to the troubles in Morocco. Spain has thrown up defences at Ceuta, a seaport in Merocco belonging to the Spanish gov ernment, and will ship their six heav, guns which have been lying at Algier since the Spanish-American war:

Ferguson, of Pittsbur vers representing Miss Biggar.

By the agreement Messrs, McNulty and Gullek now own all the Pittsburg property, having paid Miss Biggar \$480,000 for her portion, which, by the terms of the will, was sixty per cent. Miss Biggar gets all the personal property of Mr. Bennett, consisting of diamonds and household furnishings valued at \$100,000, and is to retain the house in New York City. In all her portion amounts to \$620,000, besides an allowance for life of \$1800. Thus all the fighting over the sensational case is ended.

Miss Biggar is said to have announced her intention to leave the stage. She is in the best of health and will seen travel in Japan.

THREE SENTENCED TO DEATH. Convicted of Murder and Mutiny on the British Bark Veronica.

Liverpool.-Monsson, Rau and Salah. the latter an American, three of the rrew of the British bark Veroules, who were charged with muthy, murder and arson at sea, were convicted and sealenced to death. The jury strongly recommended Monsson to the marry of the court.

The prisoners were picked up at ea by the British steamer Branswick They reported that they had belonged to the Veronica, which had burned at sea, They were handed at Liverpool, where, upon the statement of the nego cook of the Veronica, who was one of the saved, they were arrested. The cook charged that they had mutified and killed Captain Shaw, the muster of the Veronica, and six members of the crew, after which they set the vessel on fire.

MABINI DIES AT MANILA.

Cholera Kills the Former Insurgent Cabinct Minister.

Manila.-Mabini, the former Minister of Foreign Affairs of the so-called Fill ino Government, died from cholers. Since his return from Guam Mabini had lived in seclusion. Capinred correspondence of the Rizal Province insurgents showed that Mabia) had been In communication with them, but the etters were not of a sedicious nature. The Filipinos and Americans generally regret the death of Mablal, but there was no demonstration at his burial on account of the nature of his disease.

Woman For Assistant Altorney General. The War Department, at Washing-on, has received mail advices from Manila that Miss Floy Glimore has been appointed Assistant Attorney General for the Government in the Philippine Islands. She is the first woman appointed to such an important legal position.

The Salt Trust Fined.

The case of the United States against the Federal Sait Company, charged with violating the Sherman Auti-Trust law, was ended in the United States District Court at San Francisco, Cal., by Judge DeHaven who, in rendering judgment, sentenced the company to pay a fine of \$1000.

Dr. Robinson Discharged.

Newport News, Va., Special-Dr. Samuel Robinson, the negro Christian Science practioner, arrested on suspiion of being an accessory to the death of Maggie Harris, one of hispatients, was discharged by the Phoebus police justice Saturday. Therewas no evidence to connect him with the mysterious patient, who was found dend Wednesday with a bullet in her brain. The police are convinced dust the woman was murdered, but are without clew to the identity of the murderer.

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