

\$10,000 DAMAGE CASE

R. C. Ball Suffered Mental and Physical Anguish

IN SELMA PEST HOUSE

Action Instituted in Wake Superior Court Against the Town of Selma and County of Johnston and the Officers Thereof—Mr. Ball Alleges He was Confined with a Malignant Smallpox Patient and was Forced to Buy Food

R. C. Ball of this city yesterday entered suit for \$10,000 damages against the town of Selma, the county of Johnston and the administrative officers as well.

Announcement that this suit would be brought was made in The Post several days ago.

The plaintiff was detained at Selma as a smallpox suspect and placed in a jail under guard, in which he alleges there was "a malignant case of smallpox." Mr. Ball further alleges that he was kept there against his will and by force; that he was neglected and unprovided for, and that he was compelled to send off and buy food for himself.

Mr. Robert Strong is attorney for the plaintiff. It is understood that Mr. James H. Pou represents the defendants. Mr. Ball being a resident of Raleigh, suit is entered in the county of Wake.

The plaintiff alleges that he is a citizen of Raleigh.

That the disease of smallpox has been prevalent in the State for the past year or more, breaking out in localities surrounding said county of Johnston, and that the county of Johnston and town of Selma have been particularly exposed to and warned of the said disease, and that the officials had actual or implied knowledge thereof; that heretofore and within twelve months the disease has broken out within the town of Selma, and county of Johnston.

That the county and town officials, being careless and negligent, have not taken any steps to provide suitable prisons or hospitals or places of involuntary detention for those having smallpox, or from whom the contagion might be publicly spread; nor have they had such prisons or hospitals or places provided, though they were advised of and knew, or reasonably may have known, the danger of their not doing so.

That about 11 o'clock a. m., February 11, 1900, the mayor and commissioners of Selma and the county officials confined the plaintiff in the house of one J. H. Jackson, which was used as a boarding house, situated within Selma, by placing guards armed with guns, pistols or rifles, around the said house, with instructions to keep him therein and not permit him to escape, until or about 10 p. m. the following day, well knowing that within said house was a person having a malignant case of smallpox, and that the plaintiff's confinement in the house was dangerous to the health, comfort and life of the said plaintiff, keeping him in great dread and mental and physical suffering and anxiety.

That on the evening of February 1st the plaintiff, being frightened to find himself thus confined, and fearing and dreading that he would take the loathsome disease, wrote a letter to the mayor, demanding and beseeching that some other place be immediately provided for his detention; that the mayor received the note shortly after it was sent, and negligently and carelessly made no reply thereto, though he and the other county officers well knew that a proper place for plaintiff's detention could readily have been temporarily provided within an hour at any time, except for their carelessness and negligence, before and during his unlawful confinement; that he repeatedly informed the guard and other representatives as aforesaid of the town and county that he would pay the expenses of the necessary, proper and lawful place of confinement and detention.

That, though confined and imprisoned and not permitted to go beyond certain prison bounds established by the town and county, the plaintiff was willfully, carelessly and negligently abandoned by the authorities of the town and county, without their making any arrangements of provision for his having food, clothing or for his health and comfort; that he only procured something to eat with his own money, sending the guards to stores to make purchases for him.

That at 10 o'clock February 22, the plaintiff was notified that he could leave the house; that he came to Raleigh and entered the house of detention, which had adequate accommodations, and that he remained several days with comfort to himself. Wherefore the plaintiff asks for damages sustained to the amount of \$10,000, and for costs.

Cupid's Patron Saint

Yesterday was St. Valentine's Day, and among the younger set no calendar was necessary to herald the birthday of Cupid's patron saint.

Not only in this country, but in other lands, the good St. Valentine and Cupid have been on intimate terms. In England the form of celebration is for the bachelors and maids to meet, with their names upon separate slips

of paper, place them in a box and draw by lot. The chosen ones, or Valentines, as they are called, give parties to their friends, each wearing the name slip on his or her sleeve for several days, and marriages are often the result.

In former days, in this country the girls and boys used to hang baskets of flowers on each other's door bells. That custom gave way to the little scented missives ornamented with hearts and arrows, and Cupid's presiding over verses that breathed tokens of love.

DE WOLF HOPPER COMING.

He is in London Now But He'll Be in Raleigh in May

Manager Rivers of the Academy of Music yesterday booked De Wolf Hopper, the great comic opera star, for his appearance here May 4.

Mr. Hopper, with his big company, is now in London, where he is nearing the close of an engagement that has been running for a year. No American actor has ever had such a long and successful run in England, or, in fact, anything that approached it.

Two years ago Mr. Hopper was in Raleigh and produced El Capitán. He drew the largest audience that ever assembled in the Academy at top-notch prices. It required a large guarantee to secure him then, and the guarantee for the engagement in May is even larger. The amount of this guarantee, with the exception of the one given Nat Goodwin, is almost twice as large as that ever offered for any organization to come to Raleigh.

CROWNING SOCIAL EVENT.

Approaching Wedding of Miss Addie B. Riddick and John A. Huske.

Invitations have been received in this city from Colonel and Mrs. Wharton Jackson Green to the marriage of their cousin, Miss Addie Burr Riddick, to Mr. John Alos Huske. The wedding will take place Wednesday afternoon, February 21, at 3 o'clock, at St. John's Episcopal Church, Fayetteville.

POSTSCRIPTS

United States Marshal Dockery is in the city.

Mr. W. W. Jenkins of Wake Forest is in the city.

Prof. N. Y. Gulley of Wake Forest was here yesterday.

Gen. B. S. Royster returned to Oxford yesterday.

Mrs. Peter Arrington of Durham is visiting Mrs. C. T. Bailey.

Miss Angela McCaull of New York is a guest of Miss Rosa Battle.

Miss Mamie Dowd of Durham is visiting friends in Raleigh.

Mr. Will A. Mitchell of Burlington was in the city yesterday.

St. Luke's Circle will meet at the home this (Thursday) afternoon at 4 o'clock.

President Charles D. McIver of the State Normal returned to Greensboro yesterday.

Mrs. William Taylor of Danville, Va., is the guest of her sister, Mrs. J. W. Barber.

Mr. Guy Branch of the U. S. S. Franklin arrived in the city yesterday from Norfolk, Va.

Mrs. Peter Arrington, who has been visiting Mrs. C. T. Bailey, returned to Durham yesterday.

The Afternoon Euchre Club was entertained yesterday afternoon by Miss Alice Stronach.

The musical which was to have been given at the Mansion tonight has been postponed indefinitely.

Miss Ella Stevens, a charming young lady of Duketon, is the guest of Mrs. Melton Stevens, her sister.

Hon. Thomas S. Rollins of Marshall, law partner of Senator Prichard, was in the city yesterday on legal business.

The eastbound Southern passenger train due here at 3:15 o'clock p. m. did not arrive yesterday until nearly 7 o'clock. A washout on the line, it is said, caused the delay.

Deputy Sheriff J. R. Register of Sampson county brought Cephas Honeycutt, a white man, to the penitentiary yesterday to serve a five-year term for arson.

The Young Ladies' Auxiliary of the Presbyterian Church will give a Silver Colonial Tea this evening at the lovely home of Mrs. Julius Lewis, on Hillsboro street. Admission 25 cents. This includes refreshments.

Old Seal of Virginia Returned

Richmond, Feb. 14.—The seal of Virginia, in use in the office of the secretary of the commonwealth from October, 1779, up to the entry of Federal troops into Richmond, when it was taken by a private soldier, was returned to the State today by Colonel DePeyster, of Tivoli, N. Y. Governor Tyler transmitted the seal and letters to the General Assembly, and a vote of thanks was returned to DePeyster.

Lecture at Blind Institute.

Prof. James Dinwiddie of Peace Institute will lecture to the pupils of the Blind Institute Saturday evening. The lecture will be delivered in the assembly hall of the institute at 7 o'clock. Dr. Dinwiddie's subject will be "The Value and Duty of the Unseen." Friends of the institution are cordially invited to be present.

MARCUM MAKES A STATEMENT

Former Consul at Pretoria Tells Why He Left His Post.

Washington, Feb. 14.—Macrum, former consul at Pretoria, gave out a long statement tonight, telling why he left. He hints that Secretary Hay had been acting on the advice of the British government in making things unpleasant for him. He comes out flat-footed in his expression of sympathy for the Boers. He says he did not know when he went to Pretoria that there was a secret alliance between the United States and England, but he neglects to tell whether he knows it now. In brief, his reasons for wanting to come home were that the government needed enlightenment on the African situation.

"Little Hussar"

It is rarely that the music-loving people of Raleigh have an opportunity of having a first-class opera in their midst. The Johnstone-Pettigrew Chapter, Daughters of the Confederacy, are fortunate in securing the services of Mrs. J. B. Shipp of Portsmouth, who, with her talented troupe, will present this sprightly comic opera in this city Friday evening, February 16. It will be an opportunity to enjoy good music and help a most worthy cause—to raise money to assist in building a monument to our beloved chieftain, Jefferson Davis, the only President of the Confederate States. This duty has been too long neglected. The veterans undertook the work, but at the convention in Charleston last spring turned it over to the women. With commendable zeal the Daughters of the Confederacy are endeavoring to finish the work commenced by the veterans. They ask a liberal patronage from a generous public.

Hampton's Advice to Bryan

Columbia, S. C., Feb. 14.—On the eve of Bryan's visit to Columbia to address the legislature, Wade Hampton gives an interview in which he advises the Democratic leader to drop the financial question and take up and stick to anti-imperialism. General Hampton says that silver has lost ground in the South and West and has no standing in the East. General Hampton said: "On an anti-imperialistic platform all Democrats can unite. Mr. Bryan would certainly treat the South with fairness, which cannot be expected from a Republican administration." He predicted that imperialism, if carried out, would be the death-knell of the republic.

Southern Pines Gala Day.

Great preparations are being made for the Gala Day celebration at Southern Pines on Washington's birthday. Fox hunts, bicycle and various other races, clay pigeon tournaments and numerous other sports will fill out the day's program, and a grand ball at the Piney Woods Inn at night will wind up the festivities. The Seaboard Air Line band and orchestra will furnish the music for the occasion. Half-rates have been secured from Portsmouth, Durham, Wilmington, Charlotte, Chester and Intermediate points. Tickets on sale February 20 and 21, good to return until February 25 inclusive.

Bryan Speaks in Charlotte.

Charlotte, N. C., Feb. 14.—About eight hundred people greeted William J. Bryan at the depot here tonight. He mounted a truck and spoke on the money question. He denounced the financial bill, trusts and imperialism. There was small enthusiasm, in marked contrast with that which greeted Bryan in 1896. Sleeping with the hair pinned up tightly is not only bad for the circulation, but it is said to prevent the hair from growing.

DURHAM AND CHARLOTTE R. R.

Table with columns for Time Table, IN EFFECT MAY 16, 1898, and Train No. 2. It lists routes between Durham and Charlotte, including Northbound and Southbound services, with arrival and departure times.

NEW YORK STOCK MARKET.

Table showing New York Stock Market closing prices for various stocks including American Sugar, American Spirits, American Tobacco, etc.

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NORTHERN RAILWAY.

Table with columns for South and North directions, showing routes and times for the Northern Railway.

FINANCIAL AND COMMERCIAL

Daily Review of the State of the Market at Home and Abroad.

DRY GOODS.

New York, Feb. 14.—Sales of a considerable quantity of regular print cloths at current quotations of 3 3/8 were reported yesterday from Fall River. Last week's record of print cloths was by no means a bad one. Sales of odd goods were more than 400,000 pieces. Trade in staple cottons in the local market has been a heavy one in coarse colored goods and in export brown goods. The demand for prints has taken the form of supplementary orders to a larger extent. At second hands trading has been exceedingly heavy. The demand for dress goods in both woolen and cotton lines has been heavy.

COTTON.

New York, Feb. 14.—Bear points in cotton were disappointing cables, reports that some continental spot orders had been cancelled at the South owing to the late advance, continued big receipts at ports and interior towns, which some now declare not due altogether to European buying, but partly to release of cotton which has long been held back, and, finally, heavy liquidation in New York, New Orleans and Liverpool. This caused a decline early in day of about 15 points, but it was speedily recovered and some early months even made net advances of 5 points, putting prices 20 points above the lowest figures of the morning. The rise was due to heavy Liverpool and continental buying in advance of the spot markets at the South of 1-16 to 3-16, and large and general buying for the South and West. Wall street elsewhere declared Europe was still buying very heavily at the South, and if there are any continental cancellations the are exceptions which prove the rule. New Orleans is so strong and excited that March and May there at one time were 8.70 against 8.58 for March here and 8.64 for May. Spot cotton advanced 1/8; sales 515 bales for export. Middling uplands 8 1/2; New Orleans and Gulf 9 1/8. Mobile advanced 1-16; Norfolk, Baltimore, Augusta and St. Louis 1/8; Memphis 3-16, and Wilmington 1/8.

GRAINS AND PROVISIONS.

Chicago, Feb. 14.—Wheat irregular, closing about steady and unchanged. Corn from 1/8 to 1/4 higher. Oats unchanged. Provisions closed steady.

RALEIGH STOCK MARKET.

Table of Raleigh Stock Market prices for various stocks like North Carolina Gas, Raleigh Water Co., etc.

RALEIGH COTTON MARKET.

Table of Raleigh Cotton Market prices for various cotton grades like New cotton, Receipts, etc.

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SEABOARD AIRLINE

Table of Seaboard Airline routes and schedules to various points like North, South and Southwest.

NORTHBOUND.

Table of Northbound Seaboard Airline routes and schedules.

SOUTHBOUND.

Table of Southbound Seaboard Airline routes and schedules.

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Southern Railway

Large advertisement for Southern Railway, titled 'THE STANDARD RAILWAY OF THE SOUTH'. It promotes 'The Direct Line to All Points TEXAS, CALIFORNIA, FLORIDA, CUBA and PORTO RICO' and lists various services, fares, and agents.

Shaw's Detective AGENCY.

Investigations of all kinds—Thefts, Frauds, Blackmail, Mysterious Disappearances, Habits of Employees, etc.

The Sun

ALONE CONTAINS BOTH. Daily, by mail, \$6 a year. Daily and Sunday, by mail, \$8 a year.