

AT THE FAIR.

A Beautiful Day and a Large Attendance Today.

This was an ideal autumn day and the crowd at the State fair was a big one and a happy one. There are many visitors in the city and Raleigh generally turned out today to see the fair and bask in the sunshine of a beautiful Indian summer day.

The marshals and military formed in front of the Yarboro at 11 o'clock and proceeded to the fair grounds headed by the band. The grounds were crowded early in the day and there was a good attendance throughout the day. It is the universal verdict that the exhibit is far above the average in extent in variety and in general excellence. The big crowd of the week is expected for tomorrow.

The races yesterday were intensely interesting and all the boys called it good sport. There probably never was such a large number of high class horses brought together in this State. Excellent programs are arranged for the entire week.

Tillie Ferguson, won the 2.29 class (trotting) yesterday, the first event on the program, in a close contest with Kitty Hawks.

Second race—Purse \$100; gentleman driver to road wagon; for horses which have not been professionally trained since January 1.

Miss Meadows, black mare, owned by T. T. Pace, Raleigh, 2, 1, 1.

Frank Middleton, chestnut gelding, owned by S. S. Batchelor, Raleigh, distanced in first heat.

Mambrino Girl, bay mare, owned by R. E. Crawford, Raleigh; won first heat and distanced in second.

Sister Mills, chestnut mare, owned by J. Schwartz, Raleigh, 3, 2, 2.

Melville Chief, Jr., bay stallion, owned by Jack Caldwell, Charlotte; distanced in first heat.

This race started off at rapid pace and the first heat was hotly contested by Miss Meadows and Mambrino Girl.

Mr. Pace carried his fleet bay mare under the wire a winner in the next two heats, distancing all the contestants in the last one. Miss Meadows made a wonderful record, 34, considering the fact that she was drawing a road wagon of 300 or more pounds.

Unlucky won the mile dash. The races were most successfully conducted yesterday. There was not a blunder or an unpleasant incident.

The officers this year are: W. J. Carter, of Richmond Times, starter; W. P. Batchelor, of Raleigh, and Mr. Levi, of Louisville, time-keepers, and T. H. Murray and W. C. McManis, judges. Mr. Will Green is Secretary.

The first race this afternoon is the three minute trot; best three in five; purse \$100.

The second race is for three year old trotters; North Carolina and Virginia bred animals; one mile heats; best three in five, purse \$100.

Third race—Running; 3-4 mile dash; for two year olds; purse \$100.

Mr. E. V. Denton's, My-Vick, is entered in this race.

Fourth race—Running; 1-5 mile heats; best two in three; purse \$75.

Senator Murphy, a black gelding owned by Mr. James Boylan, is entered in the fourth.

Populists Chat. The Caucasian has an editorial in this week's issue, which is entitled, "Here is the Story." It takes the course of the democratic party since the great silver convention and puts forth its own facts to prove that the party is done for. In concluding it says:

"The Democrats set out to destroy the Peoples party and wipe it from the face of the earth. But the P. P. would not wipe out.

They called Populists blather-shites, tricksters, unprincipled politicians, goldbugs and anarchists, and then made a proposition to 'fuse' with all these varieties of Populists.

And when the Populists could not and would not 'fuse' with them, they sent up a yell that the Populists had proven treacherous to allies and traitors to principle! Oh, ye gods and little fishes! A Populist a traitor to principle because he cannot fuse with a Democrat! Ha! yah! yah! Ump! Ump! Phew!!! Stink, stank, stunk!!! Scam!!!"

By Telegraph to the Press-Visitor.

New York, N. Y., Oct. 21.—Industry developed the fact today that every man on the New York Cotton Exchange, with possibly one exception will vote for McKinley. The odd man is said to be doubtful.

ORDER BY JUDGE CLARK

Registrars Must Use Watts' Duplicate Copy.

ROGERS UNDER BOND

Mayor Russ Binds Him Over to Court in \$50 Bond—Britt is to be Made a Defendant—No New Evidence.

George Rogers, the former republican registrar in the second division of the 2d ward was arraigned in the Mayor's court this morning on the charge of misplacing the registration book. Mayor Russ considered the evidence sufficient to hold Rogers and he was bound over to the next term of Criminal Court in the sum of fifty dollars to await trial. The darky will likely give bail.

The next move in the case, which has developed state interest will be the arrest of Mr. G. W. Britt. It is very likely that he will be made a defendant in the matter. He will probably have to explain to the court sufficient and good reason for permitting the book to get out of his possession.

No additional light was thrown upon the case this morning at the hearing in the Mayor's court, which consumed all of two hours. The defendant Rogers had no counsel, but the prosecution was represented by Mr. Thos. Devereux who appeared at the instance of the Republican State Executive Committee.

The witnesses in the case were J. T. Watts, G. W. Britt, D. H. Young, W. J. Edwards, Sherman Jones and Chas. Young.

The facts as to Rogers coming in possession of the book, its subsequent loss as claimed by Rogers and the detection of the disappearance of the book by Mr. Watts were all recited.

Rogers had several witnesses to testify that he left the book on his shelf, as he first claimed and further that he left the shop to secure some change and his return the book was gone. Rogers said that he was away about ten minutes and that Chas. Young and a man named Twitty remained in the shop. Young took the stand and denied that he remained there.

Britt's testimony was contradicted by Mr. Watts and Rogers. The witness became unduly excited on the stand and he did not appear to know what he was talking about.

Rogers in his testimony recited the fact of the disappearance of the book, which he claims was stolen. He told of his substitution of a duplicate copy and Mr. Watts' detection of it. But all of this is fish with the public.

The fact that a young Democrat had, while on his way home, stopped in front of Roger's shop and asked him some question about politics was attempted to be used as evidence. The witness, Sherman Jones, heard all the conversation, and as he stated, it had no bearing at all upon the case. The conversation was entirely jocular and related to the election of Governor. Rogers afterwards made the statement that he had never had a talk with any one Democrat, Populist or Republican at any time relative to the loss of the registration book until the discovery by Mr. Watts.

Under the provisions of the election law the registrars and others, upon petition of Mr. J. N. Holding, chairman of the Democratic county executive committee, were ordered to show cause before Judge Clark of the Supreme Court, why the duplicate registration book should not be declared the legal registration. There was a hearing of the matter before Judge Clark at the Supreme Court building this morning and the following order was issued:

NORTH CAROLINA, WAKE COUNTY. In the matter of the Registration of the second division of the Second Ward of the city of Raleigh:

It appearing to my satisfaction that the registration book of the second division of the second ward of the city of Raleigh, N. C., has been lost, misplaced or destroyed, and it further appearing to my satisfaction that J. T. Watts, one of the registrars, in the presence and with the assistance of the other registrars kept a duplicate of said book which was checked and compared from time to time with the registration book excepting as to the registration on the 17th day of October 1896, and then on said 17th

MAY NOT GET IT.

Possibility That the Southern May Lose the Seaboard.

The Washington Star of yesterday says: "It is currently reported here among holders of Southern railway securities that while the friends of the Southern, Messrs. Ryan, Thomas and Gill, have secured the absolute control of the Seaboard company's stock, events may occur within the next few days, possibly within the next few hours, which may change the whole situation and convert the Seaboard from a friend of the Southern into a bitter enemy and cause the outbreak of another rate war.

Mr. Ryan has been in Baltimore since last Friday night, and has held numerous conferences with President R. Curzon Hoffman, during which, it is understood, all the details concerning the transfer of the Seaboard stock were completed.

Last night he suddenly returned to New York to attend to some important business, which prevented his longer remaining in Baltimore, and he said that the business consisted of a consideration of a proposition from the representatives of the Louisville and Nashville road to transfer the Seaboard stock to the Louisville and Nashville company at a very handsome advance on the price which they paid for it.

Whether or not there is any basis for this rumor it is a fact that the report has created much alarm among the friends of the Southern, who are opposed to a renewal of hostilities between the two railway companies, which were fighting so bitterly for many weeks up to a short time ago; and if the Louisville and Nashville road should secure control of the Seaboard Air-Line, together with the other properties recently acquired by Messrs. Ryan and Thomas, it would create competition to the Southern with which that exercised by the Seaboard is not a circumstance.

A concert will be given by the pupils of the Institution for the Blind for the benefit of the King's Daughter's Circle of said Institution, Wednesday evening, Oct. 21st, at 8 o'clock in Institution Chapel. Please bring your free-will offerings.

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SHORT STATEMENTS.

Minor Matters Manipulated for the Many.

AROUND THE CITY.

Pot-Pouri of the News Pictured on Paper—Points and People Pertinently Picked and Pithily Put in Print.

Sheriff King, of Wilmington, brought one convict to the Pen yesterday.

One of the attractions at the Fair grounds tomorrow will be a sham battle by the military at 12 o'clock.

All the banks in the city will be closed tomorrow. The town will be practically deserted and everybody will take in the Fair.

See Messrs. Reiter Bros offer of fair week specials elsewhere. They are very attractive and at lowest figures.

The Peace Institute faculty will give a concert on Friday night with a nominal charge of twenty-five cents. The proceeds are to be devoted to the library fund.

The street committee at a meeting yesterday afternoon decided to suspend all work on the street tomorrow in order to give all the employees an opportunity to attend the Fair.

The Southern vestibule brought a tremendous crowd to the city this morning. The Seaboard special brought probably the largest crowd from a distance. The train was well filled.

J. F. Coley was bound over to the next term of court by Mayor Russ this morning on the charge of carrying concealed weapons. Britt Chamberlee was sent to the roads for thirty days.

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RATE NOT REDUCED.

The Railway Commission Thinks Present Passenger Rates Cheap Enough.

The Railway Commission decided today to dismiss the action providing for a reduction of passenger rates in this State 1 per cent. An order was issued to this effect and the matter comes to an end. Commissioner Beddingfield was not here and has not passed on the case. The decision was rendered by Maj. Wilson and Otho Wilson, both agreeing that the present rate is sufficiently small.

Maj. Wilson stated to a Press-Visitor reporter that the passenger rate in this State was cheaper than in any other State in the union, all roads taken together. The rate on the roads between Washington and Baltimore are \$2.65, he said, while in this State they are \$2.75.

It will be remembered that the matter of reduction was argued some weeks ago by leading railway officials and attorneys.

Will Ride Down the Steps.

Mr. Will Wynne, who is the champion of all bicycle riders up to date, will do one of his favorite tricks Friday at the Fair. Mr. Wynne will ride down the long steps at the grand stand on his wheel at 2 o'clock Friday. He is the only man who made the descent of the schute at Atlanta during the exposition which gave him a world wide reputation and his ride down the grand stand steps Friday will be almost as thrilling. Every body should see it.

At Metropolitan Opera House Tonight.

The Robinson Opera Company will present Andrew's Comic Opera La. Massotte tonight. This is the funniest opera and gives the two Comedians McMartin and McCarthy great opportunities, which they will make the most of. Besides being funny it abounds in bright sparkling music. Miss Ruth Alvers will introduce her famous butterfly dance.

Sharp Decline in Wheat.

NEW YORK, Oct. 21.—A violent reaction of two and five-eighths cents decline was a feature in the New York wheat market this morning. Trading was general, including liberal liquidations. Others were selling for home and foreign account but not a large volume.

TODAY'S MARKETS.

NEW YORK, Oct. 21. Cotton quotations furnished by G. E. Leach, Broker, 311 Wilmington street, Raleigh, N. C. [By Private Wire.]

MONTHS.	OPEN-ING.	HIGH-EST.	LOW-EST.	CLOS-ING.
January,	7 94	7 95	7 91	7 92
February,	7 96	7 99	7 96	7 98
March,	8 02	8 05	8 02	8 03
April,	8 12	8 14	8 09	8 11
May,	.....	.....	.....	.....
June,	.....	.....	.....	.....
July,	.....	.....	.....	.....
August,	.....	.....	.....	.....
Sept'mb'r,	.....	.....	.....	.....
October,	7 59	7 59	7 58	7 58
November,	7 61	7 63	7 60	7 61
December,	7 84	7 84	7 78	7 81

New York Stock Market. The following were the closing quotations on the New York Stock Exchange today:

Sugar	109 1/2
American Tobacco	70 1/2
Burlington and Quincy	72
Chicago Gas	64 1/2
Des. and Cr. Feed	64
General Electric	27 1/2
Louisville and Nashville	44
Manhattan	91 1/2
Rock Island	63 1/2
Southern Preferred	25
St. Paul	71 1/2
Tennessee Coal and Iron	21 1/2
Western Union	84 1/2

Chicago Grain and Provision Market. The following were the closing quotations on the Chicago Grain and Provision market today:

Wheat—December, 15 1/2; May, 80.
Corn—December, 24; May, 27 1/2.
Oats—December, 18 1/2; May, 21 1/2.
Pork—December, —; January, 7.85.
Lard—December, 420; January, 4.40.
Clear Rib Sides—December, 3.65; Jan. 3.85.

Liverpool Cotton Market.

October	4.16
October-November	4.12
November-December	4.09
December-January	4.07 1/2
January-February	4.07 1/2
February-March	4.07
March-April	4.07
April-May	4.07 1/2

Mr. J. P. Leach and Dr. Picot, of Littleton, are in the city.

Mr. L. A. Carr, of Durham, was in the city today.

BROWN-SATTERFIELD.

Both Cases up in the Supreme Court Yesterday—Brown Case Argued.

The Supreme Court took up appeals from the fourth district yesterday. There are several Wake county cases to be argued before the court. The local bar was well represented.

The Brown and Satterfield cases, probably the most interesting cases that will come before the court at this session, were taken up.

The Satterfield case was continued until the next term of court.

The Brown case was argued by Attorney General Osborne for the state, and by Maj. B. S. Royster of Oxford and Messrs. Edwards and Batchelor for the defense.

It will be remembered that Mr. Brown, enrolling clerk of the House, was sentenced in Wake superior court to six months imprisonment and fined \$250, being found guilty of the charge of having the assignment act fraudulently passed. Satterfield was fined \$250 on the same charge. Appeals were taken in both cases.

Mr. Satterfield is now the republican candidate for the legislature in Person county and is posing in the martyr act.

It is not likely that decisions will be filed until after the election.

Spills and Not Principles.

It may be said of all the parties in North Carolina that, so far as their leaders are concerned, they are out for spoils and not for principles. But the Democratic party of that State comes in for the largest portion of approbrium. It has adjecly conceded to Populism everything that Populism demanded—the office of Lieutenant-Governor, United States Senator and four of the State's nine congressmen—for what? that certain office-holders might retain their places. Fortunately for the Democracy of the Old North State these humiliating concessions were scornfully rejected by the Populists.

It now becomes the turn of the genuine Democrats of the State, the non-officeholding portion of the party, and it will be small wonder if their anger at being placed in such a galling position will find vent in giving the State to the Republicans.

Democracy and Populism can be made to fuse, the Chicago incident to the contrary notwithstanding.—Portsmouth Star.

No Election to the Bishopric.

Forty bishops, representing the House of Bishops of the Protestant Episcopal church of the United States, have been in session at the Church Missions House, in New York city. The object of the meeting was to elect two bishops to preside over two missionary jurisdictions at Duluth, Minn., and Asheville, N. C.

It was decided not to elect at this session a bishop for the Asheville jurisdiction and will remain without an incumbent until the next annual meeting of the House of Bishops.

It was generally understood that Rev. Dr. I. McK. Pittinger, of the church of the Good Shepherd, would have been chosen to the Bishopric had there been an election.

Fair Thursday.

The storm has moved further northwest into Canada, causing light showers at a few stations in the Lake region and on the north Atlantic coast.

The high area from the northwest has moved southwest to the central Mississippi and Ohio valley. The cold wave accompanying it has moderated, but a fall of over 10 degrees occurred during the past twenty-four hours at Cincinnati and St. Louis, while a considerable rise occurred at points in North Carolina and northward and in the northwest.

Killing frost is reported from St. Louis this morning.

The weather is generally cloudy in the east Lake region, over the north Atlantic coast and over the lower Mississippi valley, but elsewhere clear.

Meeting of Stockholders of Southern R. R.

The third annual meeting of the Southern Railway stockholders was held in Richmond yesterday. All of the common and preferred stock was represented. The report of the president for the year was also submitted and the acts of the company approved by the stockholders. The old board of directors were re-elected for another year.