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NORTH CAROLINA DAY

At the Tennessee Centennial Exposition—Mr. Davidson's Suggestion.

Hon T F Davidson, of Asheville, has written Gov. Russell, suggesting a date for "North Carolina Day" at the Tennessee exposition and the Governor gives his approval. Mr. Davidson writes in regard to that matter:

"After consultation with the members of the commission appointed by your excellency to represent the State of North Carolina at the Tennessee Centennial Exposition, and after communicating with the commissioner general of the exposition, Thursday, the 24th day of June, has been designated North Carolina Day, when the officials and representatives, as well as all other citizens of our state, who may be present, will be formally received by the exposition authorities.

The date was fixed upon the suggestion that it would be most convenient to those of our fellow citizens who may desire to visit the exposition. This arrangement is subject to your approval, and I await the expression of your wishes in respect thereto, as well as to all other matters in connection therewith. Should you approve the date, I venture to suggest that you will give it some official public notice.

The people of Tennessee very much desire—a desire in which I am sure all North Carolinians will participate—that Your Excellency will honor the occasion by your presence; and it will be peculiarly gratifying to them to receive all the sons and daughters of the Mother State who may find it possible to attend. Besides the attractions of the exposition itself, which are undoubtedly of the highest order, the events that it is intended to commemorate are very dear to every patriotic North Carolinian because of the historical and social relations which have always been so closely maintained and affectionately cherished between the citizens of Tennessee and the Old North State."

THE MANUFACTURERS

To Meet—Raleigh to be Represented at the Great Conference.

More than a year ago, the Chamber of Commerce elected Mr. J E Pogue and Mr. W E Ashley delegates to the great Pan-American conference of manufacturers which meets in Philadelphia June 1st, 2nd and 3rd.

This will be one of the greatest and most important industrial gatherings ever convened, and our chamber appreciated the fact by electing representatives who will attend.

In order that the scope and usefulness of the Philadelphia commercial museum may be international, and in close touch with the commerce of all America, the Board of Trustees of this institution have invited delegates from all the prominent commercial organizations of North, Central and South America to serve on its advisory board.

The first annual meeting of this international congress of business men will be held in Philadelphia, June 1, 2 and 3. This meeting will be a gathering of the representative business men of both North and South America. These gentlemen will meet to consider purely commercial questions. The reciprocal trade interests of all the countries concerned will be discussed.

PROF FLOWERS ELECTED

Superintendent of the Durham Graded Schools.

Special to the Press-Visitor. DURHAM, May 19.—Mr W W Flowers was elected superintendent of the city graded schools this morning, to succeed Prof C W Toms, who has been elected to the faculty of the University.

There were many applicants for the place. Chief of Police Norwood took the oath of office yesterday, and today was out in a handsome new uniform. Mr Norwood's friends are having a gold badge made for him. It is being engraved in New York.

SEVERE CONFLAGRATION

15 Tenement Houses in Jersey City Burned.

MANY FATALITIES.

Number Estimated Very High—Terror Stricken Men Clubbed in Order to Save their Lives—The Mayor's Call.

JERSEY CITY, May 18.—Fifteen tenement houses and a large furniture store business in the centre of the city were burned to the ground this morning and two hundred people are made homeless. The damage amounts to half a million. The watchman is missing and there were many thrilling scenes of rescue, electric wires greatly interfering with succor. Many others are missing and rumors at an early hour place the fatalities at sixty. The fire originated in Payne's furniture factory after a dance last night. The greatest confusion and panic prevailed in the tenement district. The fire was not under complete control until 8 o'clock this morning and began at 2 o'clock.

Many buildings were badly scorched for blocks away. Several men were so terror-stricken they had to be clubbed in order that their lives might be saved.

NEW YORK, May 19.—Mayor Hoos, of Jersey City, at noon issued a proclamation calling a public meeting in the city hall tomorrow afternoon to take steps to provide for the homeless families. The families lost everything they owned, the majority of them being without a cent. Neighbors shelter others.

CUBA UP AGAIN

Senate Refused to Adjourn Until Monday.

By Telegraph to the Press-Visitor.

WASHINGTON, May 19.—The Senate resumed debate on Morgan's Cuban belligerency resolution today. A motion to adjourn to Monday was withdrawn in order to afford an opportunity to debate upon the Morgan resolution.

Twenty-eight Soldiers killed.

By Cable to the Press-Visitor.

COLOGNE, May 19.—A railway train conveying a thousand reserve troops from West Phalia for garrison duty in Alsace were thrown from a track in Rhenish, Prussia, last night and twenty-eight killed.

FAIR WEATHER

Prediction by the Weather Bureau Tonight and Tomorrow.

The weather prediction for Raleigh and vicinity this evening is fair tonight and Thursday.

The thermometer was 62 this morning and the barometer 30.32. The barometer has remained nearly stationary over the middle and southern states, has risen slightly on the north Atlantic coast and has fallen over Nebraska and the Dakotas.

The center of high pressure is over Tennessee and Ohio; the low is central over South Dakota. Only slight changes in temperature have occurred; it is generally a little warmer, except in the northwest.

Light rain is reported from several stations in the vicinity of the low area. The weather is generally fair east of the Mississippi.

A Big Production.

The Waif's Saving Circle promise one of the most pretensions and best entertainments in the coming production of "Captain Dick" that has ever been given in Raleigh by local talent. The surprises will be many and constant, as the entire entertainment will have more of the form and finish of a professional one than is often seen. The cast which is being carefully selected is being coached daily by Messrs. Bertram and Willard, the authors. The several musical specialties or numbers are new and specially written for "Capt Dick" and are being taught by J D Smithdale, the musical director. Capt Crawford, has tendered the services of the Gov. Guards, who will furnish the military contingent. Magnificent special scenery is carried, together with beautiful costumes, so great has been the success of "Captain Dick" through the south.

Mr and Mrs W R Tucker and family left this morning on Mr McBee's private car for Covington, Va., where Mrs. Tucker and children will spend the summer.

SONG OF THE DICKEY.

The Little Bird Twitters of the Doings and Sayings of the Day.

This was a quiet, balmy soothing day, full of balmy spring-tide but barren of news—just the day for the "Dickey Bird" to have a word, and when he fluttered into the Press-Visitor Office and took his accustomed perch, he remarked a few things and these are some of the things he said:

That some young ladies who have unlucky experiences while the are beginners with the wheel have the nerve to become the most graceful riders on the boulevard later on.

That some very pretty ladies in Raleigh know how to make some pretty lawns into some very pretty costumes in which they will make a very bewitching appearance when they come out in them.

That if the ladies of the town desire to do some practical municipal work they might organize an improvement and ornamental society, and devise ways and means for making every street in the city pretty—especially the lawns.

That the "crazyquilt" sidewalks on Fayetteville street are out of style, and ought to be succeeded by a uniform arrangement of asphalt or tiles.

That some ladies who think it fun to push a bicycle up a hill they can't "ride up," would create an awful row if they had to push a wheelbarrow up the same hill.

That public entertainments which involve a tax on the intellect are having to steer clear of the "city of oaks."

That white-washing the penitentiary stockade does not whitewash the fact that the greatest and grandest structure in the state is a penitentiary.

That the A and M College is gaining popularity in both city and country at a rate that would discount Jonah's gourd.

That when Americans want an international monetary conference they send money men to "Yurup" to talk to foreign bankers; that when "Yurup" wants such a conference, it sends titled paupers over here to talk our heiferness.

That sprinkling the streets after everybody has gone to bed is like locking the stable door after the horse has gone. That "man is as grass," is as uncertain as a "hoppert grass" and usually gets cut down like a sparrow grass.

The recent occurrences have taught some people that the best time to do their "cussing" is before they do their voting.

That people who think it a duty to preach against the use of tobacco, declare that a "hog won't use it" raise the question as to who is the most like a hog; a man who does or a man who does not use it.

That some men of sense who see fools having all kinds of luck are apt to question the sense of having any sense.

That mathematics declare that two and two make four, but some people in this town can "put two and two together" and make anything they blame please out of it.

That a bicyclist who will argue to the fighting point the superior merits of his wheel will change his mind when it comes to listing it for taxation.

That abbreviated bicycle skirts can accomplish some things which the wind has not caught on to.

THAT (Solo)

I wish I were a saveling king
In Africa's wilds, be Gosh!
I would 'nt have to wear a thing
And would 'nt have to wash,
I'd get my meat from wood and stream
Without infringing law.
And if I could 'nt get it cooked,
Why, I could eat it raw.

That the young lady who wears the light gray bicycle suit is more like a pretty picture than anything else in this city.

That North Carolina will have a charming representation at the gathering of the Daughters of the Confederacy at the Nashville exposition.

That the saddest and yet most ludicrous sight to be seen in Raleigh is the aimless meanderings of some bachelors who do not seem to have the sense to perceive that a number of maiden ladies are simply waiting, and are ready for business with limited preliminaries.

That the turning off of the lights in the Park Hotel at 2:30 a.m., is raising a spirited argument as to whether they should be turned off

at all after burning till that hour, or whether if they should be turned off, they should not be turned off before that hour.

That during the lull of marriages of maidens, the town is breathlessly waiting to see what some charming young widows will do with the opportunities before them.

That the Sunday movements of a certain young state officer are beginning to excite suspicion of a collusion with Cupid.

That the assumption of a church organization to require a member to apologize to the church or to ask its forgiveness is something that Christ did not arrogate to himself.

That some people who imagined that they were immensely popular a few days ago do not feel quite so much that way now.

That the season of "exams," "exams" and the meteoric display of a great many shams is now exhibiting its usual vigor.

That a certain married lady of this town holds the state palm for grace, elegance and fascinating en-bon-point.

That some demoseies who wear big hats while riding bicycles may be assured that their hats are not on straight; and when they wear them to the theatres they are always on wrong.

That there will be more fish stories in the air in the next few days than the "Dickey Bird" will ever be able to work off on the credulous public, and that when the delegation at Honeycutt's pond is heard from some of the old campaigners will have to retire from the business.

That there are more pretty gowns and hats worn by more pretty girls in Raleigh now than ever before known, and that the state's representative beauty, whom Raleigh is proud to claim in her midst, still holds her own as the queen who is peerless and who shines with increased brilliancy every day.

That a certain handsome young bank official, whose popularity is only exceeded by his sunny geniality and suaviter in mode, has so steadily concentrated his gaze upon one particular point in the line of the fair feminine battalion as to impress all his friends that victory in his case is absolutely necessary to his life's happiness.

PILL KILLED HIM.

A Negro Given Twenty-Five Dollars to Give a White Man a Pill.

Sheriff Stallings brought the stomach and brains of a man to the city yesterday in addition to his nine convicts.

The stomach and brains were those of a white man named Keel who died under suspicious circumstances day before yesterday at Coneto, Edgecombe county.

Keel was drinking with a colored man in a saloon in Coneto Monday. When both parties had liquored up very freely, the negro told Keel that he had a pill which would sober him up if he would take it. This he did and soon afterwards became ill and died.

The negro was arrested and declares that a certain man, whose name is not yet revealed, offered him \$25 to give the pill to Keel.

Sheriff Stallings brought the stomach and brains here for the state chemist to examine, but this he declined to do. An analysis will likely be had.

LOGUE OUT FOR WAR.

Disgusted With the Republican Party—May Go to Cuba.

Mr J C Logan Harris is a bellicose man. This is well known. All of Mr Harris' pugnacious qualities and properties have been aroused in the past few days and now they fairly bristle. Mr Harris is eager for an encounter. Spain and all her friends are the objects of his wrath. Indeed, if Mr Harris had his way he would run every son of Spain in Cuba into the Atlantic ocean by sundown.

Speaking of Cuba this morning Mr Harris said: "I am willing to go to any party that will take sides with Cuba. The republican party seems to be dying of dry rot. Some hidden influence is apparently directing McKinley against Cuba."

Thus the acting governor, spoke, and he meant every word he said. When asked whether Governor Russell sympathized with the struggling Cubans, Mr Harris remarked, "he ought to if he doesn't."

Superintendent John R Smith left for Castle Hayne today to inspect the farm there.

MAN-EATING SHARK

Received at the State Museum—Measures Ten Feet in Length.

The accession to the collections of large sea animals in the State Museum are having a boom these days. Recently there has been received a large dolphin, a large sea turtle and a smaller dolphin, hawkbill turtle, large skates and rays, while last night an enormous man-eating shark was received.

This monster weighs pretty close to 500 pounds and his length is almost ten feet. He was caught day before yesterday, near Beaufort, and was sent in by Messrs. J H Potter & Sons, of that place, who deserve great credit for the interest they take in supplying the museum with specimens from their extensive fisheries.

There was a very large stingaree sent in with the shark whose great flat body is about 4 feet long by five and a half wide with a long "sting" bearing tail that brings total length up to nearly twelve feet. The "stings" are lone, with saw-tooth edges, and are covered with a poisonous black slime that causes a terrible wound. Other smaller specimens included in the shipment are overshadowed by the above.

The curator is hurrying the work on these to have them ready for public inspection as soon as possible.

TODAY'S MARKETS.

The Movements in New York and Liverpool Markets.

NEW YORK, May 19. Market quotations furnished by E. B. Cuthbert & Co., 30 Broad street, New York, and 305 Wilmington street, Raleigh, N. C., over their special wire.

The following are the opening, highest, lowest and closing quotations of the New York cotton market:

MONTHS.	OPEN-ING.	HIGH-EST.	LOW-EST.	CLOS-ING.
January,	6 88	6 86	6 85	6 85
February,	6 88	6 86	6 85	6 84
March,	6 88	6 86	6 85	6 83
April,	6 88	6 86	6 85	6 82
May,	6 88	6 86	6 85	6 81
June,	7 31	7 33	7 34	7 32
July,	7 34	7 36	7 34	7 34
August,	7 29	7 31	7 28	7 29
Sept'mbr,	6 95	7 07	6 89	6 98
October,	6 81	6 81	6 80	6 80
November,	6 80	6 80	6 79	6 79
December,	6 82	6 83	6 83	6 82

Chicago Grain and Provision Market.

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

Wheat—July, 71; Sept. 66.
Corn—July, 24; Sept. 25.
Oats—July, 17; Sept. 18.
Pork—July, 8.17; Sept. 8.20
Lard—July, 3.20; Sept. 3.30
Clear Rib Sides—July 4.47; Sept. 4.50.

Liverpool Cotton Market.

The following were the closing quotations of the Liverpool cotton market today:

May-June	43.4	s
June-July	42.5	s
July-August	41.2	s
August-September	3.01-62	b
September-October	3.54-55	b
October-November	3.49-50	b
November-December	3.47-48	b
December-January	3.46-47	s
January-February	3.46-47	s
February-March	3.47	s

New York Stock Market.

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

Sugar	113
American Tobacco	70 1/2
Burlington and Quincy	74 1/2
Chicago Gas	79 1/2
American Spirits	—
General Electric	29 1/2
Louisville and Nashville	45
Manhattan	84 1/2
Rock Island	63 1/2
Southern Preferred	26 1/2
St. Paul	73 1/2
Tennessee Coal and Iron	17 1/2
Western Union	77 1/2

Raleigh Market.

The following are the quotations of the Raleigh cotton market today: Middling 7 1/2; Strict middling 7 1/2; Good middling 7 1/2; Strict good middling 7 1/2.

The Next Chief Marshal.

The President of the North Carolina Agricultural Association has appointed as the next chief marshal of the state fair Col. Eugene Holt of Burlington. Col. Holt is on the governor's staff and is one of the most popular and well known young men in the state. He will make a splendid chief marshal.

Fifty-two convicts were taken from the prison here to-day. Fifteen were carried to Halifax and the remainder to Caledonia.

SHORT STATEMENTS.

Minor Matters Manipulated for the Many.

AROUND THE CITY.

Two convicts from Polk county were received at the pen yesterday.

The Trinity and Wake Forest base ball teams meet Saturday in Durham.

There is a case of scarlet fever at Mr. Walter Woodlett's on New-berne avenue.

We are glad to see Mr O. L. Bailey out again after several days severe sickness.

Sheriff Stallings, of Edgecombe brought nine convicts to the penitentiary yesterday.

The Raleigh Baptist Tabernacle Sunday school have selected Richmond as the city they will visit on their annual picnic this year.

Treasurer Worth is at Morehead to arrange for the sheriff's convention, which Auditor Aver informs us will be held the last week in July.

The services at the Christian church are growing in interest. Dr Barrett's sermon last night was very effective. Services tonight at 8 o'clock.

The banks of the city will be closed tomorrow in honor of the anniversary of the Mecklenburg Declaration of Independence, which is a state holiday.

News was received here today of the death of Mrs. Ella Harp, wife of Mr. M. H. Harp, which occurred near Millbrook yesterday at 4 o'clock.

The result of the meeting at Greensboro is the discovery that there is much discrimination in freight rates to many points in the state.

The Southern railway will sell reduced round trip tickets from Raleigh and all points on the line to Nashville, Tenn., during the exposition now in progress there.

A party of Raleigh citizens have gone to Nashville to attend the Centennial exposition. Mr and Mrs Geo Allen left yesterday and Mr R C Rivers left this morning.

The St. Luke's Circle of King's Daughters, will hold an important meeting at the home tomorrow afternoon at 4:30 o'clock. It is urgently requested that all members attend.

Treasurer North left for Morehead today to make preparations for the sheriff's convention. Auditor Ayer says it has been decided to hold the convention during the last week in August.

Auditor Ayer today gave the public printer the order for the tax list. The abstracts have been completed and are now being delivered to the register of deeds in the various counties.

Capital Lodge has appointed its excursion committee and is making arrangements to run two excursions this season—an early one to Norfolk and a later one to Asheville or Charleston, S. C.

The St. Luke's Circle of Kings Daughters will give a musicale at the Park hotel on Friday evening. There will be no admission fee and the public is cordially invited to attend. A most attractive and enjoyable program will be rendered.

It is the purpose of the state board of education to ascertain the popular wish in regard to matter of selling 5,000 acres of what are known as "lakes" in three of the eastern counties. Much opposition to the lease of 231,000 acres has developed.

Maj Hayes and Col. Harrel left for Charlotte yesterday evening where they have been detailed to represent the governor on the occasion of the celebration of the Mecklenburg Declaration of Independence. Ordnance officer Pike accompanied them.

A map showing the Idlewild lots to be sold on Monday, May 24th has been posted at the court house door for the inspection of proposed purchasers and proposed purchasers desiring to inspect said lots will on the day of sale be furnished free transportation thereto from the court house.

ATLANTIC COAST LINE

Authorized Certificates of Indebtedness to the Amount of \$6,000,000.

The Baltimore Sun of yesterday says: "Certificates of indebtedness which were authorized at a special meeting of the stockholders of the Atlantic Coast Line company were issued yesterday. The whole amount authorized is \$6,000,000, of which \$1,000,000 will be held in reserve. According to the plan under which the certificates are issued, the present capital stock of the company, which is \$10,000,000, will be reduced to half that amount. There will thus be capital stock of \$5,000,000 and certificates of indebtedness for a like amount.

The Atlantic Coast Line company is a corporation chartered under the laws of Connecticut and the stockholders' meeting was held at the office of the company in Bridgeport, Conn. It controls the various lines which make up the Atlantic Coast Line system. Mr. Harry Walters is president of the company, which is controlled by Baltimoreans. The Safe Deposit and Trust company of Baltimore is the company's fiscal agent. There were represented by person or by proxy at the meeting 96,373 shares out of a total issue of 100,000 shares. Resolutions providing for the certificates were adopted by a unanimous vote of all the stock represented.

Certificates were exchanged for par for part of the capital stock to the extent of one half of the holdings of stockholders who availed themselves of the privilege. These certificates are irredeemable and rank as a claim against the company, payable with other outstanding certificates of their class in preference only to the capital stock of the company. Interest of 5 per cent a year is to be paid, taking precedence over dividends on the stock. No mortgage can be made on the property without the consent of two thirds of the certificates then outstanding. Should a mortgage be decided upon the holders of these certificates, by giving notice, can exchange their holdings for the evidence of debt thus created.

By this financial plan one half of the company's capital stock is converted into a security which has preference over the capital stock and becomes more attractive for investment purposes. On the capitalization of \$10,000,000 the Atlantic Coast Line Company has been paying dividends at the rate of 3 per cent per year, and the management expect that this will reach 4 per cent. The certificates held in reserve are to be used for the general purposes of the company when deemed expedient.

Yesterday in Justice Roberts' court one Frank Horton, colored, was arraigned upon a charge of carrying concealed upon his person an unlawful and deadly weapon, to wit metallic knuckles. Frank was not ready for trial and asked for a postponement.

The Judge then ordered Frank to jail. But Frank said no, I'll take a leg bail.

He broke away and made his run. Frank led the crowd at a rapid pace, U'church and Oaks both giving chase.

Frank ran the race for about a mile and now he languishes in duance vile.

It was a lonely chase and but for the small boy runners the prisoner would have made good his escape. These barefooted archers kept close upon his heels and gave him no opportunity to get in hiding thus forcing him to take the open street and make for the country. He was recaptured near the old city cemetery and will have a hearing tomorrow morning at 10 o'clock.

Bulls are Thin.

By Telegraph to the Press-Visitor.

MEXICO CITY, May 18.—The city government forbade any bull fight to be given today. The authorities claim the bulls provided for the fight are so poor they do not justify the price of admission asked by the management. Enrique Merriro, a Spanish bull fighter, visited the famous bull breeding farms of Atenco and other places and his judgement is that none of the bulls shown him were worthy of the ring. The poor-ness of the animals is getting to be a serious matter and it begins to look as if bull fighting would stop for lack of animals to fight. The government is firm and no performance will be allowed with inferior cattle. A ship load of bulls has been ordered from Spain to meet the emergency.