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WASHINGTON NEWS

Sherman Suffering from Infirmary of Age.

HOPED HE'LL RESIGN

Claim Against the Government for \$500,000—A French Cable Company Refused Permission To Land.

By Telegraph to the Press-Visitor.

WASHINGTON, June 19.—The best friends of Secretary Sherman admit the statesman and financier is succumbing to infirmity of age. His eccentricities are a serious embarrassment to the administration and the president is loath to act. The secretary's associates hope he may soon be induced to resign. Diplomats are complaining that the business of the office is transacted almost entirely by assistants.

The president has refused permission to the Campagne Francaise Cables Telegraphique to land the new cable of that company at Cape Cod or, indeed, anywhere upon the United States coast. The question that was raised through the French ambassador as to the power of the federal government to deny admission to the cable will be referred to the attorney-general for an opinion, but meantime the executive branch of the government holds to the doctrine that such permission can be only by express authorization of Congress.

John H. Miller, counsel for Alonzo B. Bowers, of California, and John B. Brown, of Illinois, today filed a petition in the court of claims demanding judgment against the United States for \$500,000 for the use by the government of a patented dredging machine owned by the claimant. The machine has been used by the government in river and harbor work.

Mr. C. E. Barber, the engraver at the government mint at Philadelphia, called at the White House today with a wax model of a new presidential medal bearing in relief a profile view of the president's face. After some slight changes had been made the model was approved, and the medals will be struck within the next few days.

SMITH MADE DEMAND.

Wanted Court Reports—Secretary Referred him to A. Williams & Co.

Marcus M. Smith, manager of the Southern Law Book Exchange, made a demand today upon Hon. Cyrus Thompson, secretary of state for five copies of the 119th supreme court report. Mr. Smith sent a check with the order.

But Mr. Smith's order was given a frosty reception. The secretary of state voluntarily sent the author of the order information that the books desired could be obtained from the firm of A. Williams & Co. The secretary of state says furthermore that he has entered into an agreement with Messrs. Williams & Co., for the sale of the reports and that he intends to abide by it. Messrs. Williams & Co., have had the 119th reports on sale for some weeks and the secretary will continue to furnish them with supplies in the future. That firm has always had the sale of the supreme court reports.

The secretary says 7,000 or 8,000 reports have been printed. He also says that the agreement with Williams & Co., was made after consultation with the council of state and by its advice. Mr. Thompson states that the agreement made with Alfred Williams & Co., is the same as made by former secretaries with the old firm of that name, and in making the agreement it was expressly stipulated that Williams & Co., should give half of their commission to the other Raleigh book-sellers on all orders the latter received.

Readers of the Press-Visitor are familiar with the injunction proceedings instituted by Mr. Smith, which were printed yesterday.

The Governor Names Delegates.

Governor Russell today appointed the following gentlemen as delegates from this state to the Cotton Growers Convention, which meets in Galveston, Texas, August 22nd: Isaac A. Sugg, Greenville; John Graham, Ridgeway; John D. Currie, Pike; J. L. Ramsey, Raleigh; J. S. Cunningham, Cunningham; J. J. Renfrow, Matthews; A. F. Hileman, Concord; C. G. Bailey, Advance; J. D. McLeod, Pike; J. M. Mewborne, Kingston.

GOMEZ HAS NEW PLANS

He Contemplates a Decidedly Aggressive Movement Next Month.

HAVANA, Cuba, June 16.—General Gomez contemplates a decidedly aggressive movement, to begin some time next month. The plans which he has been forming for the last few months are now matured.

General Gomez is concentrating his forces in Havana province and will probably make a demonstration near Havana. I was told that this was his intention by a confidential agent of the junta, and the movements of rebel forces also point that way.

Quintin Bandera, with 1,000 Orientales, is reported to have arrived at Melena, Havana province. It is known that he left Trinidad and was marching through Matanzas several days ago. General Gomez has called a council of war, which will be held in a day or two, when he will disclose his plans to his officers.

Frank Butler Convicted of Murder.

By Telegraph to the Press-Visitor.

SYDNEY, New South Wales, June 19.—The trial of Frank Butler, charged with the murder of Captain Lee Weller, while the two men were on a gold prospecting trip, was concluded today, the jury rendering a verdict of guilty. Butler, after the murder of Captain Weller, escaped from Australia on the ship Swan-hilda, but upon the arrival of that vessel at San Francisco he was arrested, afterwards being extradited.

Rich Man Sentenced to Jail.

By Telegraph to the Press-Visitor.

SAN FRANCISCO, June 19.—W. B. Brabury, a millionaire, will have to serve a sentence of 24 hours' imprisonment in the county jail imposed upon him by Judge Low recently on his conviction for the second time of spitting in street cars. Judge Wallace, of the Superior Court, affirmed the judgment.

Oil Trust on a Boom.

By Telegraph to the Press-Visitor.

NEW YORK, June 19.—The Standard Oil Trust is liquidating certificates today at three twenty-six, the highest yet recorded.

WOULD KILL HIS BOY

Richard Shacklee's Love for his Son Took a Strange Turn.

"I don't want to kill my boy. I love him. But if somebody doesn't restrain me, I know I'll murder him. I'm crazy, I know it and can't help it. Take me away from my boy or I'm afraid I'll kill him."

Such was the strange conversation of an elderly old gentleman this morning, when being interrogated by Mayor Russ, Justice Roberts and Dr. Jas. M. Glee, Jr., who were holding an inquisition of lunacy. And a pitiful story it is.

Richard Shacklee has been a hard working, industrious citizen and for more than eight years he has been working in the cotton mills in the city. Twelve months ago his wife died and then he began to lose interest in the world. One by one the old man's children have been taken to an Orphan Asylum, as the father could not work and was without means. But Richard's youngest boy remained with him. The father loved the boy and would never leave him. Lately the old man has been acting very strangely and he told his neighbors that he feared he would kill his boy. It was love for his son, he said, that gave him the desire to destroy him.

Yesterday he asked for a razor and his friends thought it best to put him in the Asylum. And this afternoon the old man was placed in charge of Dr. Kirby, having been adjudged insane by the inquisition of lunacy.

Chas. Woodell to Manage the Minstrels.

Haywood Bro.'s Original Colored Minstrels start on their summer tour Monday 21st, under entirely new management. Mr. Chas. J. Woodell of this city has taken entire management of this organization and will present a genuine colored minstrel show that merits the highest patronage. New stage settings, new costumes, and up to date specialties are principal features. The Haywoods have the "hottest" band and orchestra in the south, with them, which alone are well worth the price of admission to the performance. Durham, Oxford, Henderson, Louisville, are the first towns on the route.

The colored Teacher's Assembly yesterday afternoon visited the penitentiary and public institutions.

LOCAL SHOWERS

Very Likely to Occur Tonight and Tomorrow.

The weather forecast says conditions are favorable for local showers (thunderstorms) tonight and Sunday. The thermometer was 72 this morning and the barometer 30.10.

The barometer is high on the Gulf and middle Atlantic coasts and in the extreme northwest. No distinct storm center exists. Fair weather continues to prevail in the central valley and south. Light showers occurred over North Carolina, Tennessee and in the upper Mississippi valley. The weather is generally cloudy from the Lake region westward. The temperature is lower from Marquette to Bismarck and a fall of 10 degrees occurred at St. Louis.

TODAY'S MARKETS.

The Movements in New York and Liverpool Cotton Markets.

NEW YORK, June 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.	OPENING.	HIGHEST.	LOWEST.	CLOSING.
January	6.91	6.95	6.91	6.94
February	7.05	7.10	7.02	7.09
March	7.29	7.36	7.27	7.34
April	7.59	7.62	7.56	7.61
May	7.84	7.88	7.81	7.87
June	7.34	7.39	7.33	7.39
July	7.35	7.39	7.33	7.39
August	7.29	7.36	7.27	7.34
September	7.05	7.10	7.02	7.09
October	6.89	6.92	6.86	6.91
November	6.85	6.88	6.83	6.87
December	6.88	6.91	6.84	6.90

Chicago Grain and Provision Market.

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

Wheat—July, 63; Sept. 64.
Corn—July, 25; Sept. 25.
Oats—July, 18; Sept. 18.
Pork—July, 7.32; Sept. 7.40.
Lard—July, 3.62; Sept. 3.72.
Clear Rib Sides—July 4.32; Sept. 4.42.

Liverpool Cotton Market.

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

June	4.05-06 b
June-July	4.05-06 s
July-August	4.05 s
August-September	4.1-02 s
September-October	3.59 b
October-November	3.59 b
November-December	3.50 b

NOTE: All the Liverpool markets will be closed on Monday and Tuesday next June 21st, and 22nd, in consequence of Queen's jubilee.

New York Stock Market.

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

Sugar	123 1/2
American Tobacco	73
Burlington and Quincy	85 1/2
Chicago Gas	90 1/2
American Spirits	118
General Electric	334
Louisville and Nashville	494
Manhattan	478
Rock Island	70 1/2
Southern Preferred	—
St. Paul	284
Tennessee Coal and Iron	74 1/2
Western Union	83 1/2

Raleigh Market.

The following are the quotations of the Raleigh cotton market today:

Middling	7 1/2
Strict middling	7 1/4
Good middling	7 1/8
Strict good middling	7 1/8

Custodian of Lincoln Homestead.

By Telegraph to the Press-Visitor.

SPRINGFIELD, Ill., June 19.—The Board of Trustees of the Lincoln homestead, composed of the Governor, Secretary of State, Auditor of Public Accounts, State Treasurer and Superintendent of Public Instruction, met here and appointed Albert S. Edwards, of this city, custodian of the Lincoln home, to take effect July 1st, 1897, vice Herman Hefferkamp, removed. Mr. Edwards is the nephew of Mrs. Abraham Lincoln. It was at the home of his father, the late Lincoln, he was married.

His Foot Punished by a Pick.

Joe Roberts, a colored laborer employed in lowering the water works main on lower Fayetteville street, yesterday stuck a pick in his foot making a very painful and dangerous wound. The pick penetrated the bone and Roberts is in a dangerous condition.

John C. Danoy, who has been promised the position of collector of customs of the port of Wilmington, is in the city.

PEACE IS CONCLUDED

Greece is to Pay Turkey Six Million Pounds

AS THE INDEMNITY.

Turkey Also Enjoys the Benefit of a Slight Rectification of the Frontier of Thessaly—Turks to Withdraw Troops.

By Cable to the Press-Visitor.

CONSTANTINOPLE, June 19.—Negotiations between the representatives of the powers for establishment of peace between Turkey and Greece has been brought to a satisfactory conclusion. All points involved are settled except the method of guaranteeing the indemnity to be paid Turkey by Greece, which is fixed at six million pounds, Turkish.

It is regarded as probable that a committee of influential Greek residents of foreign countries will be appointed to control the finances of Greece and stand security for the payment of the indemnity. This point is settled as final and when the treaty of peace is signed the Turks will withdraw from Thessaly. Turkey will have the benefit of a slight rectification of the frontier of Thessaly.

Industrial Training School.

Mr. J. T. Patrick, the Chief Industrial Agent of the Seaboard Air Line writes the Press-Visitor that the Industrial Training School will exhibit at the following time and places on the Seaboard Air Line:

Boykins Va., Monday, June 28th; Youngsville, Wednesday, June 30th; Monroe, Friday, July 2nd; Cameron, Saturday, 3rd; Cheraw, S. C., Monday, July 5th; Lilesville, Tuesday, July 6th; Clinton, S. C., Friday, July 9th; Elberton, Ga., Monday, July 12th; Statlam, Ga., Wednesday, July 14th; Monroe, Friday, July 16th; Stanley Creek, Saturday, July 17th; Ellenboro, Monday, July 19th; Rutherfordton, Tuesday, July 20th.

Mr. Patrick says: We shall have in these exhibits road machines. They will be put in operation at these places of exhibit to test the practicability of their use by improving and making a small section of road. This feature is especially for your attention. Will you please appoint a committee from each township, to meet us and see the operation, of crushing rock and building county roads by horse and steam power machinery. This is important and you ought to have men from each section of your county."

Nearly Fifty Miles an Hour.

The Charlotte News says: The News sometime ago mentioned the fact that a club of Philadelphia pigeon fanciers were to make a trial of their birds from Lexington, N. C. The trial was made on the 11th under conditions that were only fairly favorable, varying winds prevailing all along the Atlantic Coast. The pigeons were released at 5:50 o'clock the morning of the 11th, and two birds arrived at Philadelphia together at 4:30 p. m. They made an average speed of 113 1/2 yards a minute, about fifty miles an hour. A letter containing the record was received by Weather Observer S. L. Doshier from the Philadelphia Homing Club this morning. The next trial will be made at an early date from Spartanburg, S. C.

New Cotton Mills.

The Augusta Chronicle says: "The south is the home of the cotton plant and will become in time the centre of cotton manufacturing. Dull times do not prevent the erection of new mills. Large additions are being made to mills in the Augusta district. The King mill addition will be as large as a new factory of 20,000 spindles. The Warren manufacturing company, in Aiken county, at Graniteville Junction, is erecting a new mill of 30,000 spindles. The foundations have been laid and the first story is being erected. The site of the new mill is called Warren. In a short time this will be another flourishing suburb of Augusta, which is the location of many of the largest and most successful cotton mills in the South.

A heavy windstorm prevailed in the northern and eastern sections of the county yesterday, so gentlemen from the country report, who were in the city today. Crops were damaged in some instances and there are reports of houses being damaged.

MR BAILEY REPLIES

Chairman of the Blind Institution Board Answers Prof. Meserve.

Mr C. T. Bailey, chairman of the board of directors of the Institution for the Blind, makes reply to President Meserve's letter of resignation, which appeared in yesterday afternoon's paper. Mr. Bailey's letter is given herewith:

As chairman of the board of trustees of the institution for the deaf, dumb and blind I feel it incumbent upon me to say something in reference to the resignation of Prof. Meserve.

The policy of the majority of his associates was not intended to please him or any one else in particular. That our action failed to meet his approval is a matter of sincere congratulation. Gov. Russell in response to a private letter some weeks since wrote as follows: "In 1895 we found these institutions in politics. They were run by one party. No consideration was given to republicans or populists who constitute the majority of the people of the state. Every office, every employe and every director on the boards was a democrat. Republicans and populists were excluded and treated as outcasts and public enemies. No regard was had for their feeling and no respect was paid to their opinion."

And this is the condition the present board found existing at the deaf and dumb and blind institution. That these people (the employes) were efficient there is little question. That their successors will be just as faithful and competent those responsible for their election are prepared to vouch. The policy of the present board, which seems to have been the cause of the virtuous indignation of Prof. Meserve, is to turn out every democrat in office where a republican or populist competent can be found to take his place. This is what is termed the spoils system and to be plain about the matter it is the system to which we are going to adhere.

We are not playing for democratic applause. We care nothing for it. When some men become better acquainted with our people they will find out that respectable democrats have as little regard for fawning republicans who criticize the action of their associates as republicans have for that class of democrats who betray their own party to the enemy. The resignation and character of the letter of Prof. Meserve shows clearly that Governor Carr sized him correctly when he appointed him a member of the institution board, and we wish to say parenthetically that he was the only republican ever appointed by our last governor.

The people of the state need not fear but that every interest will be subserved by the present board to that of the unfortunates entrusted to our guardianship. It is the heartfelt purpose of every member of the board to aid in every way the present capable head of the institution. That the people know this we are certain. However, resignations of timid republicans, newspaper denunciation and criticism cannot turn us from our determination to do our duty to the institution, the state and the political parties which have placed us in position.

C. T. BAILEY,
Ch'm. Board of Directors of the D. and B. Institution.

Governor O'Ferrall at Nashville.

By Telegraph to the Press-Visitor.

NASHVILLE, Tenn., June 18.—Gov. O'Ferrall, of Virginia, with several members of his staff, have arrived in the city. A large number of Virginian state troops are encamped on the military plaza, and will participate in the ceremonies. They will be reviewed by Gov. O'Ferrall. Several ladies are in the governor's party. The fourth regiment of Virginia will escort the Governor and party to the exposition grounds. This is Virginia day.

Alabama's New Road.

The contract has been let for another short line road for Alabama. This new line will be known as the Southeast Alabama railroad and will be extended from Newton, on the Plant system, in Dade county, via Enterprise to Elba, the county site of Coffee, a distance of 86 miles. The plant system is behind the Southeast Alabama company, and while the new concern will be operated by a separate company, it will virtually be owned by the plants. The road is to be completed by February 1, '98.

Regular services at the Christian church tomorrow at 11 a. m. and 8 p. m., conducted by the pastor. All members requested to be present.

ODD FELLOWS' COLUMN.

Last night was one of the hottest of the season, but Seaton Gales lodge managed to confer the first degree upon four of the class now being inducted into the mysteries of the order.

Will somebody be so kind and obliging as to tell us how that new encampment is prospering? We mean the new camp made of the two old ones. Before long the grand encampment will meet here and will be looking for the youngster.

When the Odd Fellows of Raleigh begin to realize the practical utility of the "Bundle of Sticks" as an emblem of the order, and apply it as they should, they will then see the effect of strength in their endeavors. If every member is not as perfect as he ought to be will it hurt any of us to try to get him to do better? Do not let any such ideas keep you from duty.

We surrender our space today to the following, which we most earnestly commend to our readers:

Tolerance.
Of all the teachings of Odd Fellowship the lesson of toleration, to us, seems most impressive. To believe and practice that all men are free and equal, and sprung from one common source; the universal brotherhood of mankind; to love our brother as ourself; and to practice the golden rule, "Whatsoever ye would that others should do unto you, do ye even so unto them," are the foundations of a noble character and essential qualifications of the true Odd Fellow.

Your brother or neighbor may differ from you upon religion, politics or other questions, but even as you demand the right to your own opinions and beliefs, grant him the same privilege and seek the ground on which you agree for your friendly intercourse. There is no man but has some trait of character different from his fellows, and his peculiar opinions and beliefs. These he has a perfect right to practice, excepting only that by no act of his should he encroach upon or hinder his neighbor in the free enjoyment of his views. With politics, religions or creeds, Odd Fellows, as such have nothing to do, but allow each brother and man to follow the dictates of his own conscience; there all meet upon one common ground, as brothers of one family, and work together for the betterment and advancement of the race.

Though the methods of your friends may not be such as exactly meet your approval, remember that it is their right to do good in their own way, and after all it may be best; they may be right and you wrong. We cannot see ourselves as others see us. Each man should have due credit for all he may do to help the world along, and if the results are right the means can scarcely be wrong. There is enough of evil and vice in the world against which to war, without attacking our friend's views and actions in doing good and relieving distress and suffering. There is enough of want and misfortune to afford employment for all forms of philanthropy. Then let each one do all he can in the cause of humanity, with an abiding faith that others act from pure motives, with hope for final victory of right and justice, and with charity for all faults and shortcomings.—Selected.

The Southern's New Route.

The Journal of Commerce and Commercial Bulletin says:

It is announced by First Vice President A. B. Andrews that the management of the Southern Railway has decided upon a simple plan for relieving the great pressure of traffic on the line between Greensboro and Charlotte, without going to the expense of the construction of a second track between the points named, through Salisbury. The Southern now owns the 29 miles of the Midland North Carolina Railroad between Winston-Salem and Mocksville, and will extend the road some 50 miles to Mocksville, where connection will be made with the Atlantic, Tennessee & Ohio division for Charlotte. A large part of the through freight will be sent over the proposed new route.

Rev. A. M. Simms, pastor of the Tabernacle church, will be fifty years old tomorrow and will use the occasion by preaching, at 11 o'clock, a sermon on "A View of Life from the Half Century Milestone" and invites persons about that age of life to come and join in the service. At night the service will be conducted by Rev. Lonnie Love who is a member of that church and is back from the seminary in Louisville.

SHORT STATEMENTS.

Minor Matters Manipulated for the Many.

AROUND THE CITY.

Pot-Pouri of the News Planted in Paper—Points and People Pertinent Picked and Pithily Put in Print.

Quite a party go down to Ocean View tonight, taking advantage of the reduced rate.

The county commissioners have several assistants employed in revising the jury list.

The trees in the Capitol square are being trimmed and the grounds are being otherwise improved.

Surveyors are now running the line from the link of the Southern railway between Mooresville and Mocksville.

Beginning next week the market house will be closed from twelve to four o'clock. Mr. Crawford will also close his place.

The new floor in the state treasurer's office has been completed. The office will not be occupied for several days.

Revenue officers report little illicit distilling just now. The moonshiners take a "vacation" at this season of the year.

A large number of people leave for Morehead daily. The crowd in attendance at the teachers assembly is said to be the largest in years.

Masters Jim, Rufus, Duke and Jamie McAden have gone to McAdenville to spend the summer with their grandmother, Mrs. R. G. McAden.

The dissolution sale of the Tucker firm during the past week has been wonderfully large. The great store has been crowded since the reopening.

Parties from the Forestville and Rolesville section say that an enormous bright light was visible Thursday evening from nine o'clock until 1 a. m. in the direction of this city.

The conductors' excursion on the 13th of July promises to be the most popular excursion of the season. They will have the finest facilities for comfort and a pleasant trip. See their announcement elsewhere.

The tournament of the State Firemen's Association, will take place August 10th, 11th and 12th, at Fayetteville. The program for the meeting is now being prepared and will be out in a few days.

Fishing in streams and ponds adjacent to the city is very popular among the boys in the afternoons. Master Phillip McKee, who is one of the champion anglers, made a large catch one evening this week.

The colored First Baptist church is preparing to erect an edifice on the property recently purchased on the corner of Wilmington and Morgan streets, across from the capitol. Brick and sand are being hauled to the location. The property has been paid for.

The county tax listers and the city tax collector are busily engaged just now. Only a few more days remain in which to list taxes and those citizens who have delayed this important matter should attend to it at once.

A number of residents of lower Fayetteville street are up in arms over the destruction of the shade trees, which are being cut down by the street force. One gentleman speaks of getting out an injunction to restrain the city from destroying the trees in front of his residence.

For fine and up-to-date styles at prices that will surprise you just go to the S. C. Pool shoe store and see what they are offering. They are setting a pace in bargains in shoes that will be hard to beat. Their special sale has been having a great rush and it is bound to keep up for thirty days. Read their announcement today.

There is little sickness in Raleigh and comparatively no fever. Last year twenty-one cases of typhoid fever were treated at the Rex Hospital and only three deaths resulted. In the three cases that resulted fatally, the patients were almost beyond hope when taken to the hospital.