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CHEATED THE GALLOWES

Berry Cook Pleads Guilty of Murder in 2nd Degree.

HE GETS 20 YEARS.

The Plea Accepted and Judge Robinson Made the Sentence—Berry Feared for His Life and Confessed.

When court convened this morning Berry Cook entered a plea of murder in second degree, which was accepted and Judge Robinson sentenced the defendant to twenty years imprisonment at hard labor. Those persons who sat in the courtroom yesterday evening and last night and heard the testimony in the trial of Berry Cook for his life, entertained no other idea but that Sheriff Jones would break the neck of the merciless murderer, for such is Berry Cook.

But of all the vast number of people attending the trial none were more cognizant of this fact than Berry—an artful liar, but not so artful that Solicitor Prou could not trap him. The statement of Rosa Morgan's little six-year-old boy that Berry Cook called his mother out of her house and murdered her was sufficient evidence to convict him. But it remained for Berry to go on the witness stand, and contradict himself, his wife and all his witnesses. Never was a defendant so tangled and embarrassed in the witness box and never did defendant show it more.

Berry Cook knew that it was all over with him and when he returned to the jail, he became penitent. He told his fellow prisoners that his erring life for the past two years would cause his death, and admonished them to live uprightly.

Berry's lawyers knew that he would be sentenced to death if he were to take the case, so this morning when court opened Attorney Johnson announced that he desired to enter a plea of guilty in behalf of his client, Berry Cook, of the murder of Rosa Morgan in the second degree. He placed his client upon the mercy of the court and prayed that the plea of murder in the second degree be accepted.

This Solicitor Prou agreed to do and Judge Robinson sentenced Berry Cook to twenty years imprisonment in the penitentiary.

If there was ever a fit subject for the gallows, it was Berry Cook. The murderer regained his fallen courage when he found that his neck would not be broken and after he was taken back to jail, he stated to a Press-Visitor reporter that he was innocent of the murder of Rosa Morgan.

Berry will be taken to the penitentiary right away. He is 36 years old.

CUBANS ARE SANGUINE.

Gen. Palma Says Spaniards are Losing Ground.

By Telegraph to the Press-Visitor.

New York, July 20.—Thomas Estrada Palma, president of the Cuban Junta, today received news that 3,000 well equipped troops, in first-class physical condition, are now entering the Province of Matanzas, Cuba, without any serious attempt on the part of the Spaniards to prevent them.

"The men who just about now are within the boundary of Matanzas are under the command of Gen. Carrillo and Rego," said Mr. Palma, "and they are thoroughly well acquainted with the character of the country and understand how to care for their health during the rainy season, which the Spaniards, unfortunately for themselves, do not."

"The proximity of Gen. Gomez to Havana and his constant and unrestrained activity are sufficient to demonstrate the incompetence of Weyler as a general. For five months Gomez has moved about as he pleased within a radius of six leagues with 25,000 men against him, and yet he escaped capture, death, wounding, or even discomfort."

"There are more Cubans under arms now in Pinar del Rio than at any time since the death of Maceo. We have 8,000 well-armed men there. We have never had 8,000 before so well equipped."

Major Hays returned from Chapel Hill today.

YOUNG WOMAN'S SUICIDE

The Wife of Ex-Mayor Cooke, of Asheville, Ends Her Life With a Pistol.

Mrs. Minnie Cooke, wife of ex-Mayor William J. Cooke, of Asheville, committed suicide last evening while in a fit of despondency and alone in her room.

This will be shocking news to many people in Raleigh who were acquainted with the deceased. Mrs. Cooke was a frequent visitor to Raleigh last winter, stopping at the Park hotel while here, and with her charming personality made many warm friends.

She placed a revolver to her temple and fired. The ball penetrated the brain, causing instant death.

Mrs. Cooke left a letter to her husband, bidding him affectionate good-bye, and leaving minute directions as to the details of her funeral, selecting her pall-bearers and the flowers for her casket. Mrs. Cooke was a Miss Lyne, of Cythiana, Ky., and was a member of a very prominent Kentucky family.

She married Mr. Cooke on the 23rd of September, 1896. She was a great favorite in Asheville.

She was about twenty-five years old. Her young husband is prostrated with grief.

OFF FOR WASHINGTON.

Messrs. Harris and Mewborne Leave With Two Objects in View.

Mr. J. C. L. Harris, chairman and attorney of the A and M College board, and Mr. J. F. Mewborne, commissioner of the Agricultural department, left for Washington, D. C., this morning. Messrs. Harris and Mewborne go to the national capital with the purpose of having the quarantine law in this State changed and also to have the Bulletin mailed as second class matter, if possible.

As is known, the government has established a quarantine line in this State, which runs over the Blue Ridge, and no cattle can be shipped east of that line. Mr. Harris and Commissioner Mewborne want the line extended to North Wilkesboro, which is a great cattle shipping point. As it is now, cattle in Western North Carolina have to be shipped to the quarantine stations in Virginia, before they can be sent this way.

While in Washington, Mr. J. C. L. Harris, the god of war from North Carolina, will give his mutual good friends, the Hon. Marcus Aurelius Hanna and the Hon. Will McKinley, the glad hand.

A Rebuke for "Old Citizens."

Mr. R. C. Rivers, deputy sheriff under Sheriff Jones, has received the following letter which he esteems very highly. The letter is self-explanatory:

DEAR SIR: From an article over your signature, which appeared in the Press-Visitor of the 7th of June, 1897, we infer that you have been sneered at through the columns of one of our city papers and called a "foreigner" because you had the misfortune of not having been "to the manor born." We regret that any of our papers should have forgotten the rules of propriety to thus attack you, for you association with Ham T. Jones, our popular sheriff, is an endorsement—if such endorsement be required—that you have all the qualifications of a gentleman.

We among the very few, left to testify of the long past, extend to you, on the part of our good people, a hearty welcome in our greatly cherished city of oaks—our birth place—and that, after we—all old men—shall have "crossed the river," you may be reckoned among "the live brick" in the future building up of our beloved city: John R. Taylor, aged 80; H. W. Earp 76; Wesley Whitaker 76; Alfred Upchurch 74; Wm. Dancy 76; Albert Johnson 84, came to Raleigh in 1844; Wm. M. Brown, native, aged 72.

A New Steamer on the Old Dominion.

The Old Dominion Line's new steamer, the Princess Anne, will ply on the company's route between New York and Norfolk, and will make her first trip down the coast on July 29th. The new steamer is 322 feet long, 42 feet beam, and 27 feet 3 inches deep. She is expected to develop a speed of sixteen knots.

Manteo Lodge, I. O. O. F.

Manteo Lodge, No. 8, I. O. O. F., meets tonight at 7:30 o'clock. Every member is earnestly requested to be on hand.

Mr. H. S. Leard, city passenger agent of the Seaboard, has gone to the Tennessee exposition. He accompanied the governor's guard.

A GEORGIA LYNCHING

Physician Who Murdered a Society Lady

TAKEN BY A MOB

People had Tired of Delay and Yesterday When Court Adjourned Without Action a Mob was Organized.

By Telegraph to the Press-Visitor. COLUMBUS, Ga., July 20.—A mob of Talbot county men took Dr. W. L. Ryder from a posse of officers at Waverly Hall this a.m. and galloping to Talbotton, the scene of his crime, hanged him to a tree. Ryder deliberately shot and killed Miss Sallie Emma Owens, the belle of the county, belonging to one of the most aristocratic and wealthy families of Georgia.

The officers were about to get aboard the train when the mob of lynchers appeared and took the prisoner. The delay of justice was the cause of the demonstration. Ryder was convicted of murder in the supreme court but succeeded in obtaining a new trial, which begun yesterday. Because one of the counsel was ill the case was adjourned. This roused the people into fury. The mob was organized and lynched Ryder. The crime was committed on April 15th, 1896.

OVERBOARD AT SEA.

Mr. E. A. Womble Had a Thrilling Experience at Morehead City.

Mr. Edgar A. Womble, of the Internal Revenue department, returned from Morehead yesterday, fresh with a salt water experience which he will not likely forget soon.

Mr. Womble gave a sail last Saturday complimentary to himself. He forgot to invite his summer girl and made the trip to old ocean in a sharpie, the boatsman and himself comprising passenger and crew. After having sniffed the salt water for an hour or more the commander ordered the boat about face in nautical terms.

When about a mile and a half from shore Mr. Womble thought he espied his summer girl on shore and so climbed up on the boom to get a better view.

But when he reached the boom the pole gave way and the boat toppled over in the water. The two occupants held on to the sail and climbed on top of the boat, which had turned over. A mile and a half from shore, with no craft in sight and perched upon the bottom of a boat without a dry thread, this cruiser bold presented a helpless sight.

But after two hours waiting the sailors drifted ashore, unharmed, but thoroughly wet and relieved of considerable anxiety.

Dr. Blackall, who had witnessed the thrilling occurrence from shore was very much affected and it is said the doctor was overcome with joy when he pulled Mr. Womble ashore. Mr. Womble lost his gold watch and chain, \$15 in money and some valuable papers.

CAMPAIGN FOR SCHOOLS

Editor Bailey Gets Encouraging News—The Campaign in Wake.

Editor Bailey of the Biblical Recorder states that most encouraging news is being received from the West of the progress of the campaign in behalf of education. A systematic effort is being made to carry a number of counties in the central and western part of the State, and Mr. Bailey expresses the opinion that at least half a dozen counties will go solidly for local taxation.

The friends of the school tax are determined to carry 100 townships in the State and they say this number is assured.

A gentleman prominent in the school campaign says that no special effort is being made to carry the East and that the question of voting the school tax rests entirely with the negroes.

In Wake county the friends of the local tax say four townships are certain to vote favorably. Others who claim to know say that Wake Forest will be the only township in the county to vote the tax.

Distinguished Post Dead.

By Cable to the Press-Visitor.

LONDON, July 20.—Miss Jean Ingelow, the distinguished poet and novelist died in London last night, aged seventy-seven years.

THE REX HOSPITAL

It Has Been Almost Made New—Many Improvements.

A visit to the hospital here by one who has not kept pace with the rapid strides in improvements will be a revelation. The walls all over the building are soapstone, ready to be washed down at any time. The floors all prettily stained, with rugs wherever necessary; the male and female wards all fresh and pretty with white beds, hair mattresses and springs; big windows, draped in white dotted swiss. Then the rooms for private patients, are daintily furnished either in oak or white furniture, but every bed is of white enamel and brass with springs and hair mattresses. There are six of these private rooms, but none are occupied now. There are four male patients and three female patients in the white wards, and one male and three female patients in the colored department. On the left hand side of the main building is the children's ward, and there in his dainty little white bed lies a beautiful boy with typhoid fever. There are five beds in this ward for little children. This was erected through the noble work of one of Raleigh's loveliest daughters.

On the right of the main building is the new building containing the operating room, the drug room, the consulting room and some private rooms. The operating room is beautifully tiled, and will be thoroughly furnished by the ladies' hospital aid association, and the junior hospital association. This work of the ladies and children will cost somewhere near \$400. When the bills fall due the money's ready to meet them.

Back of this new building is the department for the colored patients. All the different departments are connected by porches. Many of these porches are enclosed in glass. The buildings are all steam heated, lit by electricity, with electric call bells in every room. The bath rooms are beautifully fitted up with porcelain tubs, etc. The operating room has a large ground glass skylight. There is a large garden, well cultivated. The kitchen is scrupulously clean and Miss McClester says she has the best cook in the world. Miss McClester is the mother and well she is suited to her place. Her equal would be hard to find.

Miss Bessie Mordecai is head nurse, and there are four nurses in the white wards, and four in the colored. This is a city hospital for charity patients, but pay patients from any where are carefully looked after. The hospital is under the care and supervision of the Raleigh Medical Academy and a board of directors. Four physicians are put on duty daily there by the month, and no where is there a more efficient medical board than here in this city.

Any one will find it both pleasant and profitable to pay a visit to this home like systematically managed hospital.

A North State Corn Story.

Mr. R. A. Goble has a wonderful field of corn in his plantation, two miles northeast of Salisbury. Beyond the cornfield is a watermelon patch, and yesterday he told his wife he would go over and see how his melons were getting along. His good wife pleaded with him not to go, telling him if he attempted to do so he would certainly get lost. Mr. Goble hesitated for a few moments, but finally decided to go, and so he went. He had not gone far, however, before his wife's prediction proved only too true—he was lost! And but for the glare of the mystic light of the fireflies, would perhaps at this writing be searching for the light of day.

Mr. Goble tells us that his corn was so thick, so high and so dark that the lightning bugs forgot themselves and thinking it was night began "lightning" by the millions, and he was thus enabled to find his home again. He claims to have the finest corn in Rowan county.—Salisbury Sun.

Mr. Emmett Levy to Join the Benedictites.

The Charlotte News gives the following interesting information about a Raleigh gentleman:

A private letter received by a well known traveling man from Mr. Emmett E. Levy, who represents the C. H. Brennan company in this territory, states that he will be married to a Baltimore lady within a short time.

VICTORY FOR MR. TUCKER

Judge Simonton Decides in Favor of Private Stockholders

STATE CAN'T CONTROL.

Meeting at Rob Hancock's Legislative Act Was Intended—Injunction Now Made Permanent by Judge Simonton.

Messrs. Jones and Boykin, solicitors for complainant in the case of W. R. Tucker versus Governor Russell and others, received notice of Judge Simonton's opinion this morning.

The case has been pending in the United States court since April. At that time Judge Simonton issued a temporary restraining order, forbidding the defendants to execute the two acts of the Legislature of 1897 affecting the A and N C Railroad. The old directors had been removed and the defendant directors appointed by the Governor before the temporary order of Judge Simonton. Therefore, he dissolves the injunction as to the first statute.

But the injunction is continued as to the second act, which repealed the charter previous, prescribing a graduated vote for private stockholders and fixing the State's vote at 350. If this act were enforced the State would enjoy 12,000 votes and the other stockholders only 6,000. The presence of the State's proxy would also be necessary to make a quorum and the State would absolutely control the road.

This act cannot be enforced under the judge's ruling, and matters will remain as heretofore.

A CUBAN RESOLUTION

Passed the Senate Today, but the House Will Not Act.

By Telegraph to the Press-Visitor.

WASHINGTON, July 20.—It will take till 3 o'clock or later to read the conference report in the senate. The democrats insist on its verbatim reading.

The senate passed without division, a resolution demanding of Spain the release of Ona Walton and authorizing the president to exercise any means to secure such release. The resolution now goes to the house, where no action will be taken this session.

Bradbury and Wife Reconciled.

By Telegraph to the Press-Visitor.

New York, July 20.—Mr. and Mrs. John M. Bradbury, who were reconciled a few days ago in Chicago, arrived here today. The young California millionaire and wife were seemingly as happy as honey-moons and any thought of the recent unfaithfulness of the young wife is evidently forgotten. After a short stay in New York they will go to Europe, and probably will not return to San Francisco for at least a year.

Against "Spectacular" Marriages.

The Henderson Gold Leaf is against "spectacular" marriages. It says: Since the apparent desecration of the marital vows by the public marriage of a certain couple which occurred at our state fair a few years ago, after being severely criticized, it was hoped there would not be a recurrence of such an event in North Carolina. We see it announced, however, in the last issue of the Fisherman and Farmer that a repetition of the memorable marriage at Raleigh, to which the governor of the state lent his aid and presence, is to come off at the Elizabeth City fair in October.

A list of presents (with more to follow) is published including everything from the marriage license given by the enterprising register of deeds to a smooth shave and hair cut by the village barber, a handsome dress for the "highly favored" bride and a pair of fine shoes for the "fortunate" groom, hams, chickens, roast beef, furniture, etc.

The names of the couple, who are said to be well known and popular young people, are not given and that will remain a secret of the show for some time.

The marriage vow is too sacred a thing to be made a public spectacle of—a side-show drawing card for a county affair—and it is to be regretted that a couple of respectability can be found who will make themselves parties to the affair.

Mr. Alf Jones is on a visit to friends in the country and will be absent one week.

MORE SHOWERS.

Predicted by the Weather Bureau—Clearing Weather Wednesday.

The weather bureau predicts showers tonight and Wednesday followed by clearing weather Wednesday afternoon.

The thermometer was 70 this morning and the barometer 30.22.

The pressure continues high over the Atlantic States with threatening weather and considerable rainfall, from New York to Florida. The storm in the west has moved northward to the upper Mississippi valley, with rain in that section and considerable in northern Texas, though the southern part of the State continues clear and dry. The heaviest rains were 3.48 inches at Dodge City, 2.08 at Atlanta, and 1.48 at Oklahoma. The temperature is below the normal, especially in the east.

TURLEY APPOINTED

A Memphis Man Named as the Successor to Senator Harris.

MEMPHIS, Tenn., July 19.—A dispatch from Johnston City to the Commercial-Appeal, says that Governor Taylor has appointed Thomas B. Turley, of Memphis, United States Senator, to succeed the late Senator Harris.

TODAY'S MARKETS.

The Movements in New York and Liverpool Markets.

NEW YORK, July 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.	HIGH EST.	LOW EST.	CLOSING.
January	7 02	7 10	7 02	7 09
February	7 08	7 08	7 08	7 02
March	7 10	7 15	7 10	7 16
April	7 18	7 14	7 14	7 19
May	7 22	7 22	7 22	7 22
June	7 28	7 55	7 58	7 58
July	7 51	7 53	7 48	7 48
Sept/Oct	7 30	7 33	7 28	7 28
October	7 14	7 20	7 13	7 13
November	7 14	7 15	7 09	7 09
December	7 19	7 20	7 12	7 12

Closed easy; sales 129,800 bales.

Chicago Grain and Provision Market.

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

Wheat—July, 74; Sept 72
Corn—July, 26; Sept, 26
Oats—July, 17; Sept 17
Pork—July, 7.67; Sept 7.55
Lard—July, 4.17; Sept 4.25
Clear Rib Sides—July 4.50; Sept 4.57.

Liverpool Cotton Market.

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

July	4.10a11
July-August	4.09a 10s
August-September	4.05 s
September-October	3.63 b
October-November	3.57 b
November-December	3.55 b
December-January	3.53 b
January-February	3.53a 54 b

New York Stock Market.

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

Sugar	113
American Tobacco	78
Burlington and Quincy	84
Chicago Gas	96
American Spirits	113
General Electric	33
Louisville and Nashville	52
Manhattan	91
Rock Island	76
Southern Preferred	26
St. Paul	87
Tennessee Coal and Iron	23
Western Union	84

Raleigh Market.

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

Middling	71
Strict middling	81
Good middling	8
Strict good middling	81

Shot in a Tree Top.

By Telegraph to the Press-Visitor.

BIRMINGHAM, Ala., July 20.—Jim Daniels a negro farm laborer who entered the room of Mrs. John Baker, wife of his employer, who lived near Goodwater, a week ago and attempted to assault her was captured last night by a posse and blood hounds. He was found in the top of a tree and prayed for mercy, but a response from twenty Winchester's brought him down from the tree dead.

McKinley Withheld His Message.

By Telegraph to the Press-Visitor.

WASHINGTON, July 20.—It is semi-officially announced today that McKinley has withheld his currency message until after the conference. The report of the tariff bill has been adopted by the senate.

SHORT STATEMENTS.

Minor Matters Manipulated for the Many.

AROUND THE CITY.

The store formerly occupied by Mr. I. Rosenthal is being renovated.

Mr. James O. Litchford's commission as a notary public, has been renewed by the Governor.

The Winston Journal predicts that Mrs. Springs' murderer will be behind the bars in thirty days.

Clerk of Court, D. H. Young is appointed receiver for Helen S. Brewster until she becomes of age.

Miss Janet Dortch has issued invitations for a reception this evening at the residence of her grandfather Dr. Thos. Hogg.

Superintendent J. H. Fuller, of the Soldiers Home, who last week fell from the door of the chapel, is very dangerously hurt. His hip bone is broken.

It is said that Dr. H. B. Battle will establish a phosphate factory at Winston, and that Prof. Irby, late of the Agricultural and Mechanical College, will be associated with him.

Col. Graham Haywood, of the Julius Lewis hardware company, has gone out to St. Mary's township to spend a week with his numerous friends. Mr. Haywood has been selected as orator of the day at a mammoth watermelon jubilee, which will be given this week.

It is said that in the near future the Pullman car company will have large shops erected in Salisbury which will be the headquarters for the eastern division of the company. The cars in that division will be repaired in the new shops.

The seduction case of Julia Hester vs. Thos. Robertson was taken up in Criminal Court this morning. The defense wanted the case continued, but this the Judge refused to do. The day has been consumed in selecting a jury and taking evidence.

Mr. Gus Correll, of Concord, who has recently worked with Fasnach in Raleigh, spent yesterday in the city. Mr. Correll, who is a jeweler by trade, thinks of opening up a jewelry and repair store here. He is a good jeweler and Salisbury would be glad to have him.—Salisbury World.

The Lincoln Journal says that a young man named James Hamrick, died at Iron Station last Sunday, under peculiar circumstances. He was convalescing from an attack of fever. Saturday a work train on the Carolina Central was engaged in loading and unloading railroad iron in front of his house. That night he dreamed that he was lying on the track, unable to move, and the train was about to run over him. The fright brought on heart failure, and he died.

Personals.

Maj. H. L. Grant of Goldsboro spent the morning in the city.

Mr. R. L. Burkhead is quite sick at his home on Edenton street.

Hon. F. A. Woodard, of Wilson, N. C., and United States Marshal Carroll are in Washington, D. C.

Misses Bertha Klueppelberg and Gertrude Thiem have gone to Misenheimer Springs where they will spend several weeks.

Col. W. J. Hicks and R. L. Ellington left last night for Troy, N. C. Mr. Ellington has accepted a position with the N. C. Building and Supply Company.

Mr. George D. Meares, manager of the Metropolitan Opera House, has gone to New York on business connected with his theater. He was accompanied by his little son, Master William Meares.

Firemen's Tournament, Fayetteville, N. C., August 3-5, 1897.

For above occasion the Southern railway will sell tickets from Raleigh to Fayetteville and return at \$2.50 for round trip. Tickets on sale August 1st, 2d, 3d and 4th, good to return August 7th.

For