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## STILL AT MADISON

### The Fellow Who Stole the Name A. M. Seales

## THE DETECTIVE TALKS

He Tells About Lewis' Dealings in Texas and Says He has Practiced Swindles in Virginia—A Professional Sharpener.

Mr. W. G. Baldwin of the Baldwin Detective Agency at Roanoke is expected here, probably tomorrow, to secure from Governor Russell extradition papers for R. P. Lewis, alias Alfred M. Seales, who is under arrest at Madison in this State. The Richmond Times says that he called on Governor Tyler with the requisition yesterday and since Lewis is in North Carolina he could not honor it and Mr. Baldwin will now present them to Governor Russell.

This is one of the most interesting cases on record. Detective Baldwin tells a very different story in the Times about the man who stole the distinguished name of A. M. Seales from the account given yesterday.

In regard to the statement of the affair as printed in this paper yesterday afternoon detective Baldwin has written the following statement:

R. P. Lewis came to Marion, Va., about four years ago. He was a church member and lawyer.

He swindled a Mrs. Neal out of \$250 by representing he was a man of means, and got an old woman 82 years old, who was almost blind, to give him an order for some money he was to collect. The order afterwards turned up as a chattel mortgage.

Two women were indicted for a misdemeanor. Lewis found out, rode fifteen miles, and saw the women and got them to give him a letter to an uncle who had some property. He went to see the uncle and represented that he was sent by the court to see him and that if he would give a bond for \$50, they would be released.

The old man signed what he thought was the bond. A short while afterwards Lewis tried to sell a mortgage on about \$1,200 worth of the old man's property, which turned out to be the bond the old man thought he was giving.

He swindled several other parties at Marion. About two years ago he was arrested and taken back to Texas in irons after a night in the courts. He gave bond to the sum of \$1,800, and a few days before trial skipped. Edward McCusker, a prominent lawyer, was his bondsman. He spent \$650 trying to catch him.

About six months ago he employed our agency in Roanoke to catch Lewis. We located him at Keyville, and were sold out by a lot of people who are as bad if not worse, than Lewis. As soon as Lewis, alias Seales, was out of Keyville, they commenced to attack his property; one of the deeds of trust was dated some time in August. The ink was hardly dry, and the Notary Public whose name was signed to same says he never saw the deed.

One of the men who was instrumental in his escape is accused of setting fire to Keyville several months ago. Another is a notorious gambler, another, I understand, from a reliable source, sold his vote for \$400, and the matter was pretty freely ventilated at the time.

The statement that his bondsman speak well of him and that he voluntarily returned to Texas, is as false as statements could well be. On February 5th, his bondsman wired us to catch him regardless of expense, and to accept no compromise, and that he had two letters trying to compromise.

A requisition has been asked of the governor of Virginia. The influence that caused him to leave Texas the night before his trial was simply the knowledge that he was guilty and would be convicted.

WG BALDWIN.

A young man named Julian Hester, about 15 years old, was caught in Kernersville by Mr. Moore, defacing some of the pictures on one side of North Carolina exposition car. Mr. Moore was in the car when he heard the chap setting in his mean work. The picture damaged most is that of Lockett, Vaughn & Co., of this city—a negro boy eating red meat watermelon. Sambo's face is badly scratched. Several marks were made by a boy in Statesville, who was arrested and fined for it—Winston Sentinel.

## TWO NEW RAILROADS

Raleigh Will Probably be Connected with Lillington by Two Lines.

Mr G Benton Alford, of Holly Springs is in the city today. He says that a railroad from Holly Springs to Raleigh is an assured fact. The road will run from Lillington to Raleigh by way of Holly Springs. This road will be known as the Cape Fear and Northern railroad. Next Monday morning at 12 the stockholders in this road will meet in the office of Mr G B Alford at Holly Springs and the company will be duly organized. Mr Alford of Holly Springs and Mr Angier, of Cary are the principal stockholders.

In speaking about the matter today Mr Alford said "This road from Holly Springs will be built. Work will be rapidly pushed as far as we can Monday." He said that it was their intention to run it from Lillington to Raleigh.

According to this there will be two railroads from Raleigh to Lillington. Mr. J. A. Mills and others are now having a surveyor at work on their railroad between these two points. However, Mr. Mills' road will not come by way of Holly Springs.

## "A MILK WHITE FLAG."

This Excellent Play will be Presented This Evening.

When Hoyt's latest work and most phenomenal success, "A Milk White Flag" comes to the Metropolitan this evening it is but far to presume that the "standing room only" sign will be brought into use. Mr. Hoyt is the cartoonist of the stage. Sometimes he draws with such a delicate satiric touch caricatures of well known types, but in this instance he works in broad and exaggerated black and white after the fashion of "Zem" rather than Du Maurier. In all of Hoyt's comedies he satirizes some fal. In "A Milk White Flag" he has chosen our national guard as a target for his shafts of wit, and in order to be thoroughly up-to-date, the author touches on insurance frauds and divorces. The new piece has proven a great success and it has been pronounced by competent critics as being, up to this day, this clever playwright's masterpiece; it is filled with real humor, played by a big company of talented people, staged as none of his other plays have been, and the music is credited with being tuneful, bright and catchy.

## THE WEATHER

This is the Subject for Conversation Every Day in the Year.

For Raleigh and vicinity the weather forecast says fair, warmer tonight and probably Friday, though there is a slight chance for showers Friday evening.

The storm in the west has taken a somewhat northerly direction and is now central over Missouri. Very heavy rains have occurred during the past 24 hours in Texas, amounting to 2.72 inches at Palestine and 2.34 at Amarillo.

The weather is cloudy and threatening throughout the country west of the Mississippi and in the lake region.

The high area in the east covers the middle Atlantic states, with fair cool weather.

## Supreme Court.

Appeals from 1st District argued: Lidden vs Myers, argued by John H. Small for plaintiff; and WB Rodman for defendant.

Jones vs Brinkley, argued by L. L. Smith for plaintiff and EP Ayllett for the defendant.

Appeals from the Second district will be called next Tuesday in the following order:

State vs Pegram, State vs Ballard, Vick vs Baker, Johnston vs Williams, Staton vs Wimberly, Wright vs Railroad, Gatling vs Mitchell, Barber vs Buffalo, Betts vs Staton, Whitaker vs Dunn, Capehart vs Burrus, Manning vs Railroad, Parker vs Hardee, Britton vs Ruffin, Miller vs Womble, Byrd vs Bazemore, Electric Co. vs Williams, Clark vs P. obles.

## Unconfirmed Report.

By Telegraph to Press-Visitor. CLEVELAND, Feb. 10.—It is reported that the Ohio Senatorial investigating committee has found Hanna guilty of attempted bribery. The report cannot be confirmed.

Rev Dr T E Skfouer, president of the board of trustees of Wake Forest College, went to Wake Forest today.

## A DUDE PRISONER

### Charlie Traylor Cuts a Swell in Atlanta

## CONVICT WIFE THERE

Traylor, Well Known in Raleigh, Spends a Night in the Atlanta Jail on His Way Home to Stand Trial for Forgery.

North Carolina can not only stir up sensations at home but she can raise a breeze abroad. The last escapee is that of Charles Traylor, a citizen of Salisbury, who conducted a livery stable and saloon there, was quite a sport, fond of fast horses and a frequent visitor to Raleigh, especially during the state fairs. He is well known in Raleigh. His wife is a native of Salisbury. It seems that Charlie has been playing in hard luck recently. His wife went to Georgia and got in trouble. Charlie went to Monroe and engaged in some swindling scheme, raised some notes, was arrested and tried for forgery, a mistrial resulted, he skipped his bond, has since been arrested in Indiana and Sheriff Horn has gone to bring him back. He got off some remarkable lies during the night he spent in the Atlanta jail. The Atlanta Constitution contains the following about the gentleman and his spouse:

The husband of Mary Traylor, the female firebug now serving ten years in the penitentiary, was a prisoner in the county jail last night.

Sitting in the office of a young man clad in faultless attire. The firelight glowed on his patent leather shoes, which pointed like canoes from the bottom of carefully creased trousers. His hair was parted in the middle. He leaned back in a chair and puffed at a fine cigar as he spun out remarkable yarns to the jail officials.

The dude prisoner, although he claimed to be Ben Graham, was Charles A. Traylor, and he is the husband of Mary Traylor, the white woman who was recently sent to the penitentiary for setting fire to a residence on Capitol avenue.

The female firebug created a sensation by her trying to poison herself while in jail. She claimed to have a husband, from whom she was divorced, who lived in North Carolina, and she stated several times that he had taught her to drink whiskey and that this was the cause of all her trouble.

Charles Traylor, alias Ben Graham, refused to tell who he was and his identity leaked out after he had been confined in the jail several hours.

He slept in the same cell last night which was occupied by his wife for two months.

He told the jailer confidentially who he was and then asked a number of questions about his wife and what she had been convicted of. He seemed to take a keen interest in her arrest and trial.

Traylor was a first class dude in dress, and he made an ostentatious display of his fine clothes and jewelry.

He is charged with forgery. To a Constitution reporter he said: "I am from Chicago and a sheriff by the name of Monroe is taking me to Culpepper, Va."

"What are you wanted for?" he was asked.

"I am a noted safe blower," was the reply, "and I am wanted for cracking a depository in Culpepper."

He was informed that the sheriff's name had been given as Horn and was told the rest of the story as known to the jailer.

"All nonsense," he said; "somebody has been trying to stuff you." He arose and walked into the jail office with the air of a Vanderbilt, and taking a seat by the fire, he carefully arranged his creased trousers and latched his thumb in his vest. Then he launched forth into a sea of reminiscences, rolling out story after story of marvelous adventure, of which he was always the hero.

## Zola Trial.

By Telegraph to the Press-Visitor. PARIS, Feb. 10.—The examination of Trarieux, former minister of justice, completed today the trial of Zola. Major Paty refused to reply to questions relative to Mme. Commines.

Judge Winbourn returned to Murfreesboro today.

## THREE NEGROES FROM CHAIN GANG AT LIBERTY

### Four Desperate Negro Convicts Last Night Escaped from the Wake County Chain Gang, and Three of Them are Still at Liberty. A Reward of \$10 is Offered for their Capture.

## McKINLEY ASKED THIS

The United States Minister Told the Spaniards that DeLome Must Leave this Country in a Hurry—He Will do This.

By Telegraph to the Press-Visitor. WASHINGTON, Feb. 10.—The state department gave out the communication sent to Minister Woodford yesterday. "There appeared in public prints a letter addressed by Minister DeLome to Canalejas. The Minister admits that he wrote it. It contains expressions concerning the President of the United States of such a nature as to be a reflection on his usefulness as the representative of his government here. Say to the Minister of State that the immediate recall of DeLome is expected by the President."

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## SPANISH MINISTER'S RESIGNATION ACCEPTED AT MADRID

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## DIFFERENTIAL DISPUTE

Seaboard Accepts \$3 and New Schedules are Issued.

The controversy between the Seaboard Air Line system and the Pennsylvania and its connections, including the Southern Railway Company, the Atlantic Coast Line and other members of the Southern Passenger Association, has been amicably adjusted and perfect harmony, it is officially announced, now reigns among these lines. The question at issue was the allowance of a differential on passenger business to the Seaboard Air Line.

The S. A. L. claimed this because its route to certain Southern points reached by the Southern railway company and the Atlantic Coast Line was longer than its competitors, says the Baltimore News. The Seaboard Air Line contended that \$5 would be a fair differential, but the other lines stubbornly declined to consider the proposition until a few weeks ago, when the Pennsylvania invited a conference of those interested. After carefully reviewing the situation a counter proposition was made to the Seaboard Air Line that it accept a differential of \$3. The Seaboard agreed to this and the Southern passenger association at once authorized its members to allow the differential.

The Pennsylvania also issued a new tariff, quoting rates to Southern points from Baltimore and Washington \$3 cheaper via the Seaboard Air Line than via its competitors. The new schedule refers to all rates. The same ratio prevails on passenger fares to Florida points. It is said that the question of allowing the Seaboard Air Line the same privileges as are enjoyed by the Southern Railway Company and the Atlantic Coast Line is also in a fair way of being amicably settled.

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## SHORT STATEMENTS

### Minor Matters Manipulated for the Many.

## AROUND IN THE CITY.

Mr. W. B. Gurbie is in the city.

Jim Young says his Sunday school raised \$575 last year and gave \$113 of this amount to charitable and benevolent objects.

There will be a meeting of the Woman's Christian Temperance Union at the Mansion Friday Feb. 11th at 4 o'clock.

Mayor Russ today gave C. Perry, white, ten days on the streets for being drunk and profane on the street.

Dr. A. J. Buffalo has opened a neat and attractive office over the drug store formerly occupied by Mr. John Y. MacRae, now occupied by Heatt & Heatt.

Mr. W. N. Snellings is better today. His many friends are delighted to know that he is somewhat improved and, although he is not out of danger, still his friends are beginning to entertain some hope for his recovery.

Three officers, Capt. H. D. Smith, Lieut. H. S. Smith and Cadet J. Wilde, of the United States revenue steamer, Lot M. Morrill, at Wilmington, have been bound over to the March term of the criminal court under bonds of \$250, \$100 and \$100 respectively, for assault and battery on Joshua Green.

The Winston bar association Saturday evening presented Judge Starbuck with a beautiful testimonial in the shape of a lovely solid gold watch chain. The presentation took place in the court room in the presence of the lawyers and county officers. The speech was happily made by Mr. C. B. Watson.

Articles of incorporation were today filed with the secretary of State for "The Brothers and Sisters Grand Union for the purpose of promoting charity, benevolence, morality and intelligence" among the colored race. The principal lodge shall be established at the town of Maxton.

The Cumberland county dispensary cleared for the month of January over \$900. For the first six months the profits were about \$2,400 divided equally between town and county. At the rate this year starts and a proportionate increase per month the profits will move toward ten thousand dollars.—Correspondence of the Greensboro Telegram.

Mr. and Mrs. Sol. Weil, of Goldsboro have issued invitations to the marriage of their daughter, Miss Edna Helena to Mr. Adolph Oettinger, of New York, on Tuesday afternoon, February 22nd, at 4:30 o'clock, in Oueb Sholem Temple, this city. The reception will be held in the evening from 8 to 9 o'clock at the Hotel Kennon at Goldsboro. Mr. Oettinger is a former citizen of Raleigh.

Mr. Thomas Hill, Jr., a young pharmacist of Newbern, and Mr. James Duffy, of Newbern, exchanged three shots at each other in that city yesterday. A young lady is connected with the affair and witnessed the shooting. Mr. Hill is a married man, his family being in New York. Mr. Duffy was not wounded but Mr. Hill was shot in the leg. Today his foot was amputated just above the ankle. The Newbern papers make no mention of the unfortunate affair.

Anniversary Tomorrow. Tomorrow the literary societies of Wake Forest college will celebrate their 63rd anniversary. The debate begins at 2:30 p. m. The query is "Should all the government appointees be subject to civil service regulations?" Two orations will be delivered in the evening beginning at 8:15 o'clock.

The Seaboard train leaving here at 11:30 will enable persons who go to hear the debate, which occurs at 2:30 p. m. The Atlanta special will bring back the Raleigh delegation at 2:30 a. m. For the benefit of those who cannot go 11:30 a. m. the S. A. L. will have a nice passenger coach attached to the freight which will leave Johnson street station promptly at 7:30 and will reach Wake Forest about 8:10.

THOMAS, Sec.

SEASON GATES LODGE.

Regular meeting of Seaton Gales Lodge No. 64, I. O. O. F., Friday night 7:30 o'clock. It is earnestly desired that every member be present. Members of sister lodges are cordially invited.

EG FAUST, N. G.

Mr. Phil Thiem, Sr., was reported better today.

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