

SCHOOL ELECTION

Board Opposed to a New Registration

THE COMMISSIONERS

A Petition Read From the Woman's Christian Temperance Union for a Chapel at the County Home.

The county commissioners met again this morning all being present. A petition was read for a road in White Oak township.

The following communication was read from a committee on behalf of the W. C. T. U. to the commissioners. "We the undersigned beg most respectfully to present to your body the great need at our County Home of a suitable room in which to hold religious exercises for the inmates of the institution, numbering always from 50 to 60 paupers."

"We feel sure that this matter has been overlooked in the press of other business relative to the institution. Hope that our petition may meet your approbation and may result in the building of a room for religious worship in a short time."

This petition is presented by the Woman's Christian Temperance Union. It was signed by Mrs. J. W. CARTER, President, Mrs. W. H. WORTH, Treasurer, Mrs. C. A. HAYWOOD, Secretary.

The board thanked the ladies for their interest in the home, but stated that the finances of the county would not warrant the erection of such a building now.

The remainder of the morning session was devoted to the consideration of the roads in the county.

AFTERNOON SESSION.

Mr. A. A. Thompson and Mr. J. W. Bailey appeared before the commissioners and asked that a special election be called in Raleigh township to vote on the issuance of \$50,000 in bonds for public schools.

Maj. Hill said that the commissioners seem to be required under the act of 1897 to order an election, but he was opposed to ordering a new registration. This appeared to him as an unnecessary expense.

Commissioner Barber said he saw no reason for ordering a new registration. He was also opposed to it.

The matter was then referred to Mr. J. C. L. Harris, the county attorney, for examination to see if the board was compelled to order a new registration and appoint the registrars late this afternoon or tomorrow.

The committee appointed to investigate Superintendent Hay's management announced that they were ready to report but they have not done so yet.

Sheriff Jones spoke of the necessity for a bath room in connection with the jail.

FROST WEDNESDAY.

Clearing and Colder for Tonight With Fair and Colder Wednesday. The forecast of the weather bureau for Raleigh and vicinity says: Fair tonight and Wednesday, colder, with frost Wednesday night.

The storm yesterday central over northern Texas has apparently moved with extraordinary rapidity to the south Atlantic coast, early heavy rains have fallen over Georgia and Alabama, amounting to 2.34 inches at Augusta, 2.70 at Montgomery, and 2.10 at Atlanta.

The weather is cloudy or threatening throughout the entire country. North of the storm the temperature is quite low, and snow is falling at Philadelphia, New York and Boston.

At temperature is 24 degrees at Cincinnati this morning, and the conditions seem very favorable for the advancement of this cold area over the State during Wednesday. All vegetation near the ground, especially strawberries, should be thoroughly protected against tomorrow night.

River Forecast: Moderate freshets will occur in the rivers of eastern North Carolina during the next 48 hours.

MONDAY EVENING CLUB.

The Monday evening club met last night at the residence of Justice and Mrs. Montgomery. Some remarkably fine papers were read. The subject was Kipling. Mr. Bailey's paper was full of thought and showed Kipling as a master of prose and poetry.

This paper was excellent. Mr. Hill's paper was forcible and clear and Mr. Hal Ayer read a very witty paper prepared for the evening.

The program was as follows: Solo—Bid me to love, Mrs. Thomas. Paper—Rudyard Kipling, Mr. J. W. Bailey. Violin solo—Miss Martin. Reading—Kipling on the Americans, Miss Edith Royster. Paper—Another view of Kipling, Mr. Theo. Hill. Paper—Kipling, Mr. H. W. Ayer. Recitation—Bill Aikins and Recessional. Mr. Geo. Allen, Mr. W. E. Christian and Dr. Fleming were elected members.

Mr. Best left for Greensboro today. Judge Funnell begins a term of the Federal court there today.

POPULISTS TO MEET.

Many of the Leaders Have Arrived—Senator Butler Here.

This afternoon at five o'clock the Populist State executive committee will meet in this city. The primary object of the meeting is to issue a call for the State convention.

Among the prominent arrivals this morning were Senator Marion Butler, Congressman J. E. Fowler, of Third district, Congressman A. C. Shuford, of the Seventh district, State chairman W. E. Fountain, of Edgecombe, James B. Lloyd, of Tarboro, Major Guthrie, of Durham, Representative J. B. Schulken of Columbus, Senator Merritt of Person and many others.

Senator Butler called on the Governor for a few minutes at the executive office this morning.

It is understood that there will be a fight over the time for holding the State convention. Senator Butler it is reported, wants the convention held May 25th, the day before the State Democratic convention, while the crowd opposed to the Senator desire the convention earlier, probably May 20th.

A State chairman may also be selected. Capt. A. S. Peace is the only man yet mentioned prominently for the position, although it was rumored this morning that Representative Schulken might be the next chairman. He is a lawyer.

ENGLAND'S REFUSAL.

This Means Probably That She Favors Intervention by the United States. By Telegram to The Press-Visitor.

New York, April 5.—A London special to the Journal, says the movement of the powers in Europe for a joint offer of mediation between the United States and Spain has received a severe and probably fatal rebuff in the form of a definite refusal on the part of the British government to participate in it.

NAVY DEPARTMENT BUSY.

By Telegram to The Press-Visitor. Washington, April 5.—The Navy Department is busily engaged in making out war details of officers for duty.

TO MOBILIZE THE ARMY.

By Telegram to The Press-Visitor. Washington, April 5.—The war department has prepared plans for mobilizing the regular army in Chickamauga National Park, Tenn.

WOULD BE PEACE MAKER.

By Cable to The Press-Visitor. Vienna, April 5.—By initiative of Austria's majority powers have charged their ambassadors at Madrid and at Washington to offer their good offices to secure and maintain peace in the interest of humanity.

THE TEXAS READY.

By Telegram to The Press-Visitor. Brooklyn, April 5.—The battleship Texas sails this afternoon to join the squadron at Hampton Roads. She will probably reach her destination tomorrow night. She was stripped for action this morning.

VESSELS DISPATCHED.

Gen. Lee and the American Consuls Will Now Leave Cuba. By Telegram to The Press-Visitor. Washington, April 5.—Members of the House were informed late today that vessels had been dispatched to Havana to take away Gen. Lee, other Consular officers and all Americans who desire to leave.

\$34,000,000 SPENT ALREADY.

By Telegram to The Press-Visitor. Washington, April 5.—Thirty four million of the fifty million dollar emergency fund has already been expended.

IS DREYFUS DEAD?

By Cable to The Press-Visitor. Paris, April 5.—It is rumored that Dreyfus has died in prison.

LOSS HALF A MILLION.

By Telegram to The Press-Visitor. Ridgeway, Ill., April 5.—The levee a hundred feet wide and widening according to yesterday's reports was greatly exaggerated and conservative reports state that there are missing a hundred. Every store is inundated and the property loss, aside from the crops is half a million dollars.

PLACE FOR MOBILIZATION.

The Mordecai Place Regarded With Favor. Maj. Hayes and Quarter Master Harrell have not yet decided upon a place suitable for the mobilization of the State guard in case of war. However, the Mordecai place, just north of the city, is regarded with special favor.

If this place is selected the entire place, including the residence will be rented for a year perhaps. This place is conveniently located and well supplied with good water.

MUST ACT SOON.

Congressman Fowler Expect a Warm Time Wednesday. Congressman Fowler, of the Third district is in the city. He will return to Washington at 2:16 in the morning. He expects a warm time in Congress when the President's message is read. He thinks the time for action has come.

Mr. Fowler approved of Cleveland's course in giving Spain until a certain time to settle the war but since that time has expired he thinks the starvation of the reconcentrados, Spain's loyal subjects, should be ended and some satisfaction of the Maine, which he thinks was done by Spain. The Spanish government alone had torpedoes or ammunition suitable for the blowing up of this vessel.

Mrs. Ed Allen and daughter, who have spent two days in Raleigh with Mrs. John D. Briggs, returned to Wake Forest today.

DOUBTING THOMAS.

An Anglo-Saxon Who Falls to Realize That He is One of the Lost Tribe. To the Editor of the Press-Visitor.

So many months have elapsed since that intensely interesting and entertaining philosopher and writer, Mr. P. C. Ennis, of your city, lectured before a Greensboro audience, that I had begun to fear that he had lapsed into perpetual silence, when, to my great delight, his learned and valuable contribution to the discussion of the all absorbing war question appeared in your columns last Saturday. Nothing could have been more timely. Just at the time when the public was in doubt whether to take its cue from the startling—not to say, half-raising-headlines in the daily papers, or from the more pacific press dispatches printed in connection with them, nothing could have been more welcome than an authoritative statement from one who has made the matter of international complications a life-long study from the standpoint of Biblical research. It will doubtless relieve the public mind of suspense to have the uncertainty of the situation cleared up, even though the doubt be resolved in favor of war, and an universal war at that, but while the writer, in common with some of his contemporaries who have outlived the ardor of youth, had hoped for a peaceful solution of our misunderstanding with Spain, it is gratifying to our national and racial pride to know that our enemies will come out at the little end of the horn, so to speak.

There is one passage in Mr. Ennis' letter that impresses me most forcibly. It is this: "Certain momentous events are certainly transpiring respecting the governments of the earth." In view of this statement it cannot be doubted that Mr. Ennis has fully comprehended the situation and grappled with the weighty problems involved in our controversy with Spain in a way that denotes the master mind. No words known to the author of the unabridged dictionary are more capable of giving point to a strong expression. As the author says, they force conviction. Indeed they do. They convince me—but I need not mention it; I am writing simply to express the gratification at having my mind relieved by such a clear and unanswerable statement of the outcome of the present perturbation of the public mind by one whose researches of truth authorize him to set all doubts at rest.

But there is another point, and the main point in Mr. Ennis' recent contributions to literature, that he has not made clear to my mind. I have mentioned it to some of my friends, and I find that they are as densely ignorant as I. The "Anglo-Saxon-Israel truth," about which Mr. Ennis discourses so learnedly, is still an unfathomable mystery. I have not had the advantage of fifteen years of diligent research, and besides, I fear that my judgment was warped in early life by the stories in the profane, or secular, histories regarding the origin of the Teutonic race, which we have been taught to believe was the progenitor of the Anglo-Saxon, and, as some of our countrymen say, the Anglo-American. The historians, as well known, trace the ancestry of our race far back beyond the birth of Abraham, and take no account of the lost tribes of Israel. That is where the trouble begins, I believe.

As far as Mr. Ennis has gone in his contribution to the "and of knowledge in regard to the origin of the race, he has doubtless written clearly enough for the comprehension of one who has enjoyed the opportunities of study and research; but he seems to have overlooked the fact that the great majority of mankind take their information second hand, and that the greater part of humanity have acquired such a degree of respect for the opinions of the old historians that it is difficult to overcome early prejudices.

If Mr. Ennis really desires that his fellowmen shall share in the knowledge that has come to him, he should begin over again by writing some articles adapted to the ordinary understanding and designed to clear away the cobwebs of false doctrine and superstition. All honest men are open to conviction by the truth; but they must first be convinced that the belief they now hold are based on error. To this task he should apply his abilities. If he will write a few articles, couched in such lucid language as the passage quoted from his observations on universal war, he will render an inestimable service to his fellow man.

Fame, if not fortune, awaits the man who can convince the Anglo-Saxon people that they are descended through flesh and blood from Abraham.

P. N. STAFF. Greensboro, N. C., April 4.

"A JOLLY NIGHT."

A Treat in Store at the Metropolitan Tonight. Although the audience was not large last night, at the Metropolitan opera house, yet the Edwin Travers company presented the "Private Secretary" in a most acceptable and entertaining manner, which highly delighted every one in the audience. It was pronounced by all the best performance which has been here for months.

Tonight this company will present "A Jolly Night" and they should have a jolly night. The acting is good, the costumes are appropriate and pleasing and the play has an amusing and entertaining plot. This will be the last performance of the company in Raleigh this season.

BIG STRIKE.

Pittsburg, April 5.—Indications point to a strike of ten thousand diggers at the Monongahela River mines tomorrow.

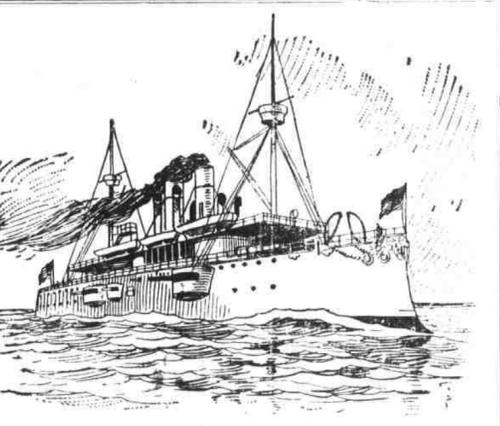
President Meserve went to Henderson this morning.

SENATORS FOR WAR

This Dignified Body Grows Impatient.

ENGLAND WILL NOT MEDIATE

McKinley's Message Tomorrow May be Disappointing to Both Factions—The Pope is Not Yet Discouraged and Thinks That He Can Preserve Peace Between the Two Countries.



THE BATTLESHIP TEXAS. The Texas can steam 17 knots an hour when doing her best work. She displaces 6,315 tons of water, develops 9,000 horsepower, and she cost \$2,500,000. Her main battery is composed of two 12 inch and six 6 inch guns. Her secondary battery consists of a dozen smaller guns.

SENATORS FOR WAR.

Many Senators Speak for Armed Intervention. By Telegram to The Press-Visitor. Washington, April 5.—Senator Foraker's resolution, agreed upon by the Senate committee on foreign relations providing for the recognition of the independence and armed intervention to maintain it, has been severely criticized by a lawyer in the Senate as one which cannot stand legal criticism. A compromise resolution may be agreed on. The general idea is that it will be passed after the President's message is read. The conservative element of the Senate will plead more deliberation and it is possible that the question may be fully debated, at least in the House, whose rules of procedure are more directly under the control of Reed and the committee on rules. In any event, Spain has but few days to determine her course of relinquishing Cuba which seems her only chance of escaping our vengeance.

MANY CALLERS. Senators and Congressmen Visit the President This Morning. By Telegram to The Press-Visitor. Washington, April 5.—President McKinley had many visitors this morning from both houses of Congress. His message was discussed. The callers included Senator Allison and Frye and Representatives Dingley, Cannon, Adams and Grosvenor. None would express an opinion concerning the contents of the message. Secretary Wilson was an early caller.

DISAPPOINTING. Neither the Peace-Lovers or the Fighters Pleased by McKinley's Message. By Telegram to The Press-Visitor. Washington, April 5.—The President's completed and signed message today will hint at armed intervention but not immediately. Congress will be asked for more time on the Cuban question. The forecast of the message disappoints both peace lovers and those who want war.

URGING IMMEDIATE ACTION. Many Members of the Senate Committee Against Delay. By Telegram to The Press-Visitor. Washington, April 5.—At the meeting of the Senate foreign relations committee many members urged immediate action that the committee report the resolutions immediately. Others thought that the consuls in Cuba should be given time to leave and the President time to prepare his message.

FAVOR FRYE'S RESOLUTION. The Senate May Adopt It and Intervene Immediately. By Telegram to The Press-Visitor. Washington, April 5.—The inclination of the Senate foreign relations committee is to adopt Senator Frye's resolution declaring for intervention, a close of the war in Cuba and to compel the withdrawal of Spain to secure the ultimate independence of the island.

ACCEPTABLE TO BOTH. By Cable to The Press-Visitor. Rome, April 5.—It is authoritatively stated that the Pope's terms are such as will be acceptable both to the United States and Spain.

CLOSED WITH DAY. By Telegram to The Press-Visitor. Washington, April 5.—Arch-Bishop Ireland has been closeted with Assistant Secretary Day. He refuses to give out information.

POPE NOT DISCOURAGED. By Cable to The Press-Visitor. London, April 5.—A special in an afternoon newspaper says that the Pope is not discouraged over the attitude of McKinley and has cabled the archbishop to renew his energies.

ENGLAND WILL NOT MEDIATE. By Cable to The Press-Visitor. London, April 5.—The government refuses to mediate between Spain and the United States.

PRINCE IMPEY DEAD.

The Nephew of the King of the Kaffir Tribe Dies at Southern Pines.

Prince Alfred Impey, the Shaw University African student, died of consumption at the Pickford Sanitarium, Southern Pines, at 6 o'clock this morning. He was in poor health when he entered Shaw University at the opening of the present session and soon after grew worse. He was sent to Southern Pines some two months ago with the hope that under the favorable climatic conditions he would improve.

The funeral will take place at the Sanitarium Wednesday at 10 o'clock. President Meserve and Dr. Pogue, of the Shaw faculty, and Dr. L. A. Searles and wife of this city, went to Southern Pines this afternoon to make the necessary arrangements for the funeral and burial. Undertaker Brown sent to Southern Pines this afternoon a beautiful oak casket to inclose the remains. The body will temporarily be buried near the Sanitarium at Southern Pines and when the danger from contagion is over removed to the cemetery in Raleigh.

Impey is a nephew of King William of the celebrated Kaffir tribe of South Africa. He was brought to this city direct from Mille drift, South Africa, last fall by Rev. Mr. Jackson, a missionary, under the auspices of the Foreign Missionary Convention of the United States, to be at Shaw University for the the ministry as a missionary. He was nearly 20 years of age. This climate here was too cold for the Prince and he soon contracted consumption from which he died. He was of a pronounced negro type but the highness of his cheek bones was a marked feature.

Last winter in an interview with Col. Olds, Prince Impey said: "The present King is my uncle, King William. After my father's death I lived with King William. I belong to the Kaffir tribe. I am a Methodist and attended the mission school at Barnhill, where Miss Gramana was my teacher. I have been baptized. I was born at Milledrift near Louisa in Cape Colony, near the border of Kaffraria. My uncle's capital is King William's town. He has an allowance from the British. His house is a great one, like this we are now in, and is built of stone and brick, our Kaffir people are of two kinds. Many attend school and wear trousers. In London there is a very large school. But there are the 'Red Kaffirs' who do not go to school and do not wear clothes, but only a cloth."

Prince Impey thought that his cousin Monte Kama would succeed to the throne since Kama's father is older than Impey's. Impey did not wish to be King but a physician and a missionary.

TODAY'S MARKETS.

THE MOVEMENT IN NEW YORK AND LIVERPOOL MARKETS. By private wire to W. A. Porterfield & Company.

Table with columns: Months, Open, High, Low, C. os. Rows for April, May, June, July, August, September, October, November, December, January, February.

LIVERPOOL COTTON MARKET.

Liverpool, April 5—4 p. m. Spot fair demand, prices fair, middling 37 1/2, sales 10,000, speculation and exports 1000, receipts 46,000, American 12,000 futures opened steady demand fair, closed quiet.

CHICAGO GRAIN AND PROVISION MARKET.

No Chicago market today. The following were the closing quotations on the Chicago Grain and Provision market today: Wheat—May 1.05 1/2; July 87 1/2; Corn—May 29 1/2; July 90 1/2; Oats—May 25 1/2; July 23 1/2; Pork—May 9 7/8; July 9 7/8; Lard—May 5 3/4; July 5 3/4; Clear Rib Sides—May 5 25; July 5 25.

NEW YORK STOCK MARKET.

The following were the closing quotations on the New York Stock Exchange: St. Paul 117 1/2; Northwestern 117 1/2; Rock Island 85 1/2; Southern Preferred 264; Louisville & Nashville 49 1/2; Chesapeake & Ohio 194; Con Gas 176 1/2; American Tobacco 101 1/2; Missouri Pacific 28 1/2; Manhattan 86 1/2; Western Union 86 1/2; Burlington and Quincy 81 1/2; Jersey Central 81 1/2; U. S. Leather 54 1/2; Sugar 116 1/2.

NOTICE! BOYS' BRIGADE.

You are hereby ordered to report at armory of Governor's Guard tomorrow (Wednesday) at 7:30 o'clock for drill. By order of J. J. BERNARD, Commander.

SHORT STATEMENTS

Minor Matters Manipulated for the Many.

AROUND IN THE CITY.

Port-Parrot of the News Pictured on Paper—Points and People Perpetually Picked and Witted put in Print.

Maj. H. L. Grant is in the city. Maj. J. W. Wilson went to Weldon today.

Mr. J. B. Munson left the city this morning. Col. J. W. Hindsdale has returned to the city.

Hon. Clement Manly, of Winston, is in the city. Mr. John Jones, of Forestville, is out again after his recent illness.

Thomas Hester, who was sentenced to three years in the work house for perjury, began his term today.

Mr. Moses Woodard has bought the building occupied by Johnson's drug store, corner of Fayetteville and Martin streets.

Auctioneer Tompoffski sold a tract of land of 62 acres belonging to George Sanderford to Mrs. W. E. Harris for \$52.

Claude Thompson and Will Johnston went to Raleigh today to study for examination which they expect to stand before the State board of pharmacy—Salisbury Sun.

Mr. Joseph G. Brown left this morning for Baltimore. He will return with Mrs. Brown, who has recovered from her illness, Thursday morning.

Rev. Dr. Eugene Daniel left this morning to attend the meeting of the Albemarle Presbytery which will convene in Tarboro tonight. Mr. J. M. Moonie went with Dr. Daniel, as the lay delegate from the Presbyterian church of this city.

A series of special services was begun in the First Baptist church last night by Rev. A. C. Barron, of Charlotte. Dr. Barron is a preacher of great earnestness and power. He preached a strong sermon last night and made a profound impression.

These services will continue throughout the week. Morning service at 10:30 for one hour and preaching at night, commencing at 8 o'clock.

A Boston girl who has been trying to find out why her bicycle often runs into objects she tries to avoid thinks she has solved the problem at last. She says: "It is hypnotic influence of concentrated attention, rendering the movements incoördinate, so that the rider becomes the victim of perverted reflexes of purposeless effort and the abject subject of an optical delusion."—Chicago Times-Herald.

SUPREME COURT.

Ninth District: Rothchild vs. McNichol, argued by Watson, Buxton and Watson for defendant appellant.

Williams vs. Gill, argued by C. O. McMichael, Scott and Reid for plaintiff; J. I. Morehead for defendant.

Mabe vs. Mabe, argued by A. M. Stack, R. L. Haymore, Jones and Patterson for brief for plaintiff; J. I. Morehead, Scott and Reid for defendant.

Bank vs. Taylor, argued by Watson, Buxton and Watson for plaintiff; Glenn and Manly for defendant.

Levi vs. Marsha, argued by L. M. Swink for plaintiff; Watson, Buxton and Watson for defendant.

Cramer vs. Marsha, argued by Glenn and Manly; L. M. Swink for plaintiff; Watson, Buxton and Watson for defendant.

Pulp vs. Railroad, argued by Watson, Buxton and Watson for defendant.

Bank vs. Ireland, argued by E. E. Gray for plaintiff; Glenn and Manly for defendant.

Dula vs. Ferguson, continued.

MARCH WEATHER.

The following is a summary of March weather: Mean atmospheric pressure, 30.21; highest pressure, 30.56; date, 26; lowest pressure, 29.94; date, 23; mean temperature, 55; highest temperature, 55; lowest temperature, 37; date, 23; lowest range of temperature, 28; date, 1; greatest daily range of temperature, 4; date, 4; mean range of temperature, 4; date, 4; mean temperature for this month for 12 years, 49; average excess of daily mean temperature during month, 7.1; accumulated excess of daily mean temperature since January 1, 2.69; prevailing direction of wind, northeast, 27 degrees; total movement of wind, 6,149 miles; maximum velocity of wind, direction and date, 28 miles from southwest on 24; total precipitation, 4.16 inches; number of days with .01 inch or more of precipitation, 10; average precipitation for this month for 12 years, 4.17 inches; total deficiency in precipitation during the month, 0.78 inches; accumulated deficiency in precipitation since January 1, 6.14 inches; number of clear days, 5; partly cloudy, 9; cloudy days, 17; thunderstorm on the 24th.

New York, April 4.—The McCook Bond Syndicate is endeavoring to arrange an armistice between the Cubans and Spain.

The Cubans stipulate that the plan must provide for their independence. A Rome dispatch says that Archbishop Ireland has cabled the Pope that he has reason to hope for a peaceful settlement.